



NEWSLETTER

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**"Education is when you read the fine print;
experience is what you get when you don't"**
Pete Seeger

Dear Parents/Carers

GCSE Presentation Evening, Tuesday 22nd November

A final reminder to Year 12 (i.e. last year's Year 11) that they can reunite with their friends and receive their GCSE certificates next Tuesday! In addition, prizes will be awarded to students making most progress and highest achievement in all of the GCSE and equivalent subjects, with an overall prize as well. Around half of the cohort have told us that they are coming; this is very helpful to know for seating and catering reasons. In previous years we have had unexpected numbers on the night, which can affect our smooth-running clockwork efficiency.

Year 10 Parents' Evening, Thursday 24th November

Thank you to parents who have signed up for appointments already. If you are experiencing any difficulty with this, please contact your child's AtHoS. There has been an unfortunate clash with the Beliefs & Values trip to the Sikh Gurdwara in London which means that the 20 or so Year 10 students on the visit will not be able to attend the Parents' Evening themselves. As a principle, students are not only welcome but encouraged to attend, but technically I suppose it is a *parents'* evening.

Year 11 Mock Exams

Year 11 mock exams take place in the week of Monday 5th December - Friday 9th December, and exam timetables have been sent out through the Gateway to parents and students. In addition, all students will have our Y11 Revision Guide early next week, and it would be great if parents would please encourage your son/daughter to make use of the support within it.

These are the basic messages we give about mocks:

They're for YOU and US, and they're important!

- revising early helps long term learning
- practise exam techniques
- they help you get used to the experience
- they help you with your organisation, or at least think about it
- teacher feedback afterwards is critical to your progress
- they point teachers to bits of the syllabus you, and perhaps the whole group, don't understand
- tracks progress, identifies need for further support for those below target
- helps us decide on tier of entry for exams in some subjects

Architecture Challenge

You'll see some great photos on the website front page about an architecture-themed day for gifted & talented students, applying mathematical and physical knowledge and principles to building and then doubling a structure. If this sounds easy, it really is not, and students were undoubtedly stretched by the activities, as well as using high level problem-solving skills, and "softer" skills of teamwork and leadership. Many thanks to Miss Gilborson for organising the day.

Children in Need Day

At the time of writing this has not yet started, so any reports and feedback will be next week. I can say, however, that we are really grateful to parents who have sent in cakes and cookies; that all sorts of weird and wonderful objects are being assembled for the lunchtime fair; contributions began rolling in yesterday to determine which Head of School will be locked in a cage.....

Litter

The litter has been unusually bad since half-term, so we are having a push to improve matters. It's an assembly topic, discussed in tutorials, we will introduce a rota of tutor group litter picking, ad hoc litter picking (for reward, not punishment) has started this week, and we hope to start an eco-group shortly. The delights of a rural setting means that seagulls, squirrels and foxes all spread litter, but if it wasn't dropped in the first place.....

Dark Nights

Despite the supermoon, it is getting very dark in the evenings, so please reinforce messages about basic road safety. I've mentioned this before, but an old campaign "Be Seen, Be Safe" is particularly relevant for the Clyst Vale catchment area. Village lanes, no streetlights, no pavements. It's good to see many of our student cyclists with hi-vis strips and reflectors, and in some cases reflective helmets.

Coughs and Colds

We're entering this season of the year, and have already had a spate of viruses before half-term. Our advice is basic common sense based on standard health advice. If students obviously have a cold and/or raised temperature please keep them at home. If they have sickness or diarrhoea, please keep them at home for the 48 hours after the last "episode" to eliminate the risk of infection in school. Coughs and sneezes should be stifled; tissues disposed of properly; regular hand-washing is still the best way of reducing the spread of infection. Students ought really not to hug their friends quite as much, too, although this is a direct attack on current youth culture and harder to achieve.....

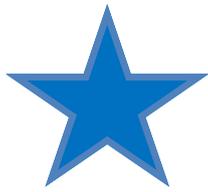
Best wishes.



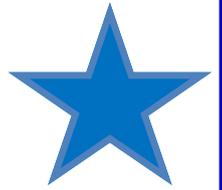
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Do you use twitter? Then why not follow us @clystvaley to find out what's going on in the College community.



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



YELLOW SCHOOL

7YJPU	William Bassett
8YME	William Bickerstaff
8YMM	Libby Windle
9YSP	Fin Graham
9YJCO	Ty Pardew
10YMPR	Gaby Dart & Hattie Lavis
11YCW	Maisie Bailey

RED SCHOOL

7RCM	Tom Lipscomb
7RKC	Jack Belworthy
8RZB	Amy Jennings
9RAR	James Maloney
10RDH	Alec Martin & James Perry
10RGG	Kassady Williams & Dougie Whiteman
11RMHI	Olivia Barradine & Cameron Discombe

GREEN SCHOOL

7GHE	A J Medcraft
7GIQ	Jesse Davey
8GPE	Tilly Pilcher
9GABR	Archie Brunson
9GTGA	Corbyn Aitken
10GSW	Hannah Burnett
11GGT	Hannah Nordqvist

SILVER SCHOOL

11SDJ	Robbie Palmer
11SSG	Sophie Buckland

SPORTS NEWS

NETBALL

Another successful evening of netball for the Year 9 & 10 girls. The Year 9 team won 15-0 and the Year 10 had a fantastic game drawing 13-13.

All played brilliantly in the rainy, dreary conditions!

Mrs Elliot

Lunch Clubs—Mon—Thurs

Mon	Music Club - WEEK A	1.45pm - 2.15pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Mon	School Newspaper (Year 10 - 13)	Lunchtime	EN5		Miss Haynes
Mon	Choir	Lunchtime	PA3		Miss Williams
Mon	GCSE PE Workshop/Revision	1.40pm to 2.15pm	PE5		Miss Garman
Mon	Year 11 Maths Workshops	1.30pm to 2pm			Miss Barratt
Mon	Year 7, 8 & 9 (boys & girls) Basketball	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
Mon	Year 9 Rugby	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce
Mon	Production Auditions/Rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Tues	BTEC/Imedia & Digital Creativity	Lunchtime	Mac Suite		Mrs Higginson
Tues	Academic Catch Up (Year 10 - 13)	Lunchtime	IT3		Mr Bailey
Tues	Yr 10 Homework/Catch Up - HSC	1.30pm to 2.15pm	VO2		Mrs Colin
Tues	Year 12 Maths	Lunchtime	MA5		Mrs Adie
Tues	Year 13 Maths	Lunchtime	MA8		Miss Barratt
Tues	Amnesty	1.30pm to 2.15pm	EN7		Miss Watt/Mrs Gillespie
Tues	Year 9, 10, 11 & 12 Netball	Lunchtime	Courts	New Block	Mrs Elliot/Mrs Bennett
Tues	All Years Badminton	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Miss Garman
Tues	Year 7 & 8 Football	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
Tues	Year 10 & 11 Rugby	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce/Mr Powell
Tues	GCSE Drama Support	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Tues	Year 10 B&V Revision (AFTER XMAS)	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Wed	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Woolacott
Wed	Music Club - WEEK B	1.45pm to 2.15pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Wed	Jazz Band	Lunchtime	PA3		Miss Williams
Wed	KS3 B&V Homework Drop In	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Wed	Drugs & Alcohol Info Drop In	Lunchtime	Nurses Office-Post 16		Mrs Gillespie
Wed	Year 7 Science Club	1.40pm	SC2		Dr Odunlade
Wed	Production Auditions/Rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Wed B	Year 10 GCSE Food Practical Catch Up	1.25pm to 2.15pm	DT4		Mrs Crook
Wed	Year 7 & 8 Girls Netball	Lunchtime	Courts	New Block	Miss Garman
Wed	Year 10 - 13 Basketball	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
Thurs	All Years (Boys & Girls) Dance	Lunchtime	Dance Studio	New Block	Mrs Elliot
Thurs	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Woolacott
Thurs	All Years (Boys & Girls) Badminton	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Miss Garman
Thurs	Food - Theory Catch Up	Lunchtime	DT4		Mrs Crook
Thurs	Girls Minecraft	Lunchtime	IT3		Mrs Higginson
Thurs	Music Club - Week A	1.45pm to 2.15pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Thurs	Bugsy Orchestra	Lunchtime	PA3		Miss Williams
Thurs	Hula Hoop Club	1.30pm	Dance Studio	Dance Studio	Mrs Gillespie
Thurs	Year 7 & 8 Rugby	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce/Mr Powell
Thurs	Year 9 Football	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
Thurs	Year 11 B&V Revision	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Thurs	Production Auditions/Rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe

Lunch Clubs—Fri

Fri	Minecraft Club	Lunchtime	IT3		Mr Bailey
Fri	Academic Catch Up	Lunchtime	IT5		Mrs Higginson
Fri	Music Club - WEEK A & B	1.45pm to 2.15pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Fri	Bugsy Orchestra	Lunchtime	PA3		Miss Williams
Fri	Inter Tutor (Year 7 - 11)	Lunchtime	Various	New Block unless specified	Mr Powell/Mr Pearce/
Fri	Year 10 & 11 Football	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
Fri	GCSE Drama Support	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Fri	Games Club - Year 7	1.30pm - 2.00 pm	EN6		Miss Quick
Fri	GCSE History Workshop/Revision	Lunchtime	HU7		Mrs Padden



Public Consultation

School Admission Arrangements for state-funded schools and Education Travel Arrangements and Relevant Area for Admissions

consultation open from 1 November 2016 to 6 January 2017

You are invited to consider the arrangements proposed by Devon County Council and by academy, voluntary aided, foundation and free schools in Devon** which are their own admission authorities.

and the following academies in Plymouth: **Oreston Community Academy, **Old Priory** Junior Academy, **St Edward's** CofE Primary, **St George's** CofE Primary, **St Matthew's** CofE Primary & Nursery and in Torbay: **All Saints**, **Babbacombe**, CofE Primary, **Oldway** Primary, **Roselands** Primary, **St Marychurch** CofE Primary, **Upton St James** CofE Primary

To view the proposals, please visit:
www.devon.gov.uk/admissionarrangements
or call My Devon on 0345 155 1019
for a paper version.

CALENDAR DATES

Tues 22nd November	GCSE Presentation Evening (7pm)
Thurs 24th November	Year 10 Parents' evening (4.30pm)
Tues 29th November	Year 13 Parents' Evening (4.30pm)
Last Day of Autumn Term	Fri 16th December 2016
Start of Spring Term 2017	Wed 4th January 2017
Half Term	Mon 13th February to Fri 17th February 2017

Attendance, Absence and Requests for Absence

You need to let the College know of any absence on the first day it occurs. If you do not notify the College, then your Assistant to Head of School (AtHoS) will contact you to identify the reason for absence.

This will help to reduce unauthorised absences and truancy.

Please note, the College may ask you to provide medical proof if a student is absent from College due to illness.

For Years 7 - 11 Absences

Please contact the relevant AtHoS

Silver School: Julia Knowles (01392 463906; knowlesj@clystvale.org)

Yellow School: Claire Turner (01392 463914; turnerc@clystvale.org)

Green School: Catherine Hellier (01392 463913; hellierc@clystvale.org)

Red School: Pam Grant (01392 463910; grantp@clystvale.org)

For Year 12 - 13 Absences

Please ring:

Jassy Barrington Post-16 PA

Direct line: 01392 462697

(answerphone available)

email: barringtonj@clystvale.org

School Transport

1. Clyst Vale supports the (DCC) Devon County Council's "No Pass No Travel Scheme" that operates on transport to and from this College.
2. Only students who show a valid travel pass to the driver **on every journey** will be allowed to travel. Students must travel on the vehicle indicated on their pass.
3. **Please ensure that your child has their travel pass before they leave home every day.**
4. Please ensure that your child knows what to do in the event they are not allowed to travel or the bus does not arrive (e.g. because of breakdown or traffic conditions or severe weather). College attendance is very important and it is best to be prepared for any of these eventualities.
5. DCC will carry out regular pass checks throughout the year.
6. Drivers are not allowed to carry passengers who cannot show a valid pass.
7. If your child loses their pass during the day they should go to the AtHoS offices to ask for a 10 day temporary pass. Replacement passes cost £5 each and can be ordered online, or by sending a cheque with a replacement form.

Further information is available at: http://www.devon.gov.uk/school_transport

COLLEGE DRESS

Clyst Vale aims to maintain a simple pattern of College dress to promote a clear sense of identity and enable students to come sensibly dressed, at reasonable cost, for a range of learning activities. If a student is improperly dressed, correct uniform will be provided for that day or the student may be sent home to change his/her clothing, at the discretion of the Principal.

If parents are in any doubt about the suitability of an item of uniform they should check with the College before buying it.

Uniform for all Students in Years 7 to 11

- White collared shirt.
- School colour tie.
- Clyst Vale V-neck jumper with School colour logo.
- Trousers should be plain, black, formal and full length. This means no jeans, leggings, chinos or any trousers with rivets or studs. Trousers must be worn on the waist.
- Skirts should be plain black, and may be worn just above the knee. Skirts must be A-line or straight, but not stretchy or "skater" style.
- Knee length black tailored shorts may be worn in the summer.
- Black sturdy shoes or all black trainers.
- Clyst Vale reversible jacket or other outdoor coat.

Main uniform can be purchased from SWI online shop or Thomas Moore.

PE kit is only available from SWI online shop.

The reversible jacket is only available from Thomas Moore.

- Eyebrow jewellery, facial, tongue, nose and lip studs are not permitted.
- Leather jackets, all denim garments and all hoodies are not permitted.
- Hats should not be worn indoors.
- Outer coats should be predominantly plain in colour and without large logos.
- A plain white t-shirt or vest may be worn under the shirt.
- On health and safety grounds, shoes should be appropriate for a work place. Flipflops, open toes, Uggs, Dr Martens (or equivalent) are not permitted.
- Jewellery may be worn, providing it is not excessive or potentially hazardous. However, it is a legal requirement that all jewellery must be removed before undertaking sporting activities. It is the responsibility of the wearer to do this.

The Principal, in consultation with the Governors of the College, will decide on the suitability of the appearance of a student attending the College – extreme hair styles, of either cut or colour, are not permitted.

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