



NEWSLETTER

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THOUGHT OF THE FORTNIGHT

"Few activities are as delightful as learning new vocabulary." **Tim Gunn**

Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 9 Options Evening

Many thanks to Year 9 students and parents for a superb turn-out at last night's Valentine's Day Options Evening, foregoing a candle-lit romantic dinner for two.... It was a very positive evening, as always, as we help students and parents navigate the sometimes thorny issue of deciding which subjects to take, and in some cases which subjects to relinquish. Each child is different, so while some came along with a clear idea just seeking confirmation, others left still trying to fit seven subjects into four slots! The fundamental advice to students remains the same: choose subjects for success, enjoyment and for you: friends, teachers, parents, siblings will all have their opinion and should be respected, but they don't have to study the course for two years! I must also thank Mr Green for his presentation, and all of my colleagues who once again demonstrated their enthusiasm and professionalism.

Student Strike 4 Climate Change

We estimate that just a handful of Clyst Vale students attended the climate change protest in Exeter. There are many more who would have liked to have gone, but "did the right thing" and attended school. For these students, there may be some comfort and reassurance that the strike was well supported by further and higher education students, for whom it is perhaps easier to take action, and that the voice of their age group was undoubtedly heard. Headteachers should be politically neutral, which is why we often seem curmudgeonly at times like this. Our students must be safe, and we cannot achieve this if they are in town instead of in school. I could be a keen supporter of pro-environmental issues, but would still not be able to authorise absences to attend the rally. It's worth stating that our curriculum covers many environmental and climate issues, especially but not exclusively in Geography and Science: fossil fuel consumption, deforestation, destruction of habitat, recycling and reuse, single use plastics.

STEM Success 1.

EDF Hinkley Point C STEM Challenge. 12 teams attended this challenge at Cranbrook Education Campus, to design build and "road test" a robot. Clyst Vale 1 Team (Joe, Eve, India, Ben) engineered an ambitious robot, which was upset by ambient light conditions and so unable to perform at its best, but Clyst Vale 2 (Matt, Ellie, Jim, Callum plus one) reached the final, winning their group of 6, by a single point, with a score of 73. They were up against an impressive St Peter's robot, which unfortunately failed to complete the required task in three attempts, the Clyst Vale robot worked first time and we won a trophy and Amazon vouchers! Many thanks to Dr Turl, Mrs Bennett and Mrs Higginson.

STEM Success 2.

A Year 8 team (Frankie, Fraser, Ted, Saffie, Maddie and Stan) competed against nine local schools in an engineering and programming event using Lego robots, sponsored by Arconic.

Ski Trip. Although the team did not win the overall trophy, they did win the award for being the best team and demonstrating the best teamwork. Thank you to Mrs Higginson, and to Arconic for providing STEM Ambassadors to visit Clyst Vale to prepare the team.

Half-Term Trips

Best wishes to the twenty or so students off to Pila tomorrow for this year's Ski Trip, and all accompanying staff; it's an epic journey to even get there, including an overnight ferry! Departing on Sunday is the annual visit to Washington DC for twelve Sixth form students. Both of these trips, albeit very different, provide great opportunities for our students, and I am very grateful to colleagues for giving their time so generously. This particularly applies to the party leaders, Mrs Elliot and Mrs Padden respectively.

Spring Fever

With the snowdrops, daffodils, lambs and young rabbits all increasingly evident in our wider catchment area, Year 7 and 8 (mostly) have started running around more at breaks and lunchtimes, and there is more "rough play". It's a fine balance: we have glorious fields, and want to let students let off steam; we do warn them about safety, and there is staff supervision; and nine times out of ten when incidents occur it is within friendship groups. However, schools must be safe, and we are always grateful for parental support in reinforcing this.

Blast from the past

There was a very significant typo on information about Year 9 vaccinations, for which I apologise profusely. Students will receive the vaccination TDP and Meningitis ACWY, short for Tetanus, Diphtheria and Polio and Meningitis ACWY. They will NOT receive a BCG vaccination, which is a blast (or jab) from the past which parents and grandparents will remember without much fondness.

Staff Changes

Today we say goodbye and thank you to Mark Sullivan, who has been at Clyst Vale for ten years mostly as Cover Supervisor, a demanding role filling in for absent teachers. As a qualified teacher and Drama specialist, Mark has also taught from time to time when we have had staffing issues. His two sons were educated at Clyst Vale, and College production fans will remember Jake, who made many appearances. Mark takes up a new technician's post in an Exeter High School, and we wish him well.

Also leaving this week are Steve Bampton and Katie Sanders, both HLTAs, who have been working with a student with complex needs. They are leaving to develop a business in caring.

Stagecoach buses at the end of the day

It could be spring fever, but some students are wandering off site after school to catch the bus from the Dog Village stop into town. There's no need. We have a special arrangement with Stagecoach that three buses come into the College coach park precisely so that students do not have to walk down Station Road which is narrow and lacks a pavement in places.

Possible Station Road road closure 4-8 March

We have been notified that Station Road – “our” Station Road - will be closed from 4th – 8th March. Clearly, this would have a significant effect on many parents’ journey to work and the school drop-off to Clyst Vale and Broadclyst Primary, as well as to several of the school buses. Broadclyst Parish Council have requested that the work is moved into the Easter holidays, which we support. Let’s hope for an outbreak of common sense. Watch this space.

Best wishes for a good half-term week,



Dr Bawn

SKI PILA 2019

Please be at school ready to leave at 3.30pm on Saturday 16th February.

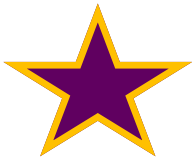
Remember to bring you packed tea, blanket and pillow.

Wear your hoodie!

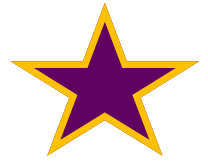
If there are any emergencies please contact me on the telephone number I have emailed to you. It will be turned on tonight.

See you tomorrow!

Mrs Elliot



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



YELLOW SCHOOL

7YNS	Emily Quest
7YMPR	Emily Crawford
8YRB	Freya Butler
8YKHO	Amelie Boyden
9YJPU	Martha Bailey
9YMBR	Lily Teasdakle
10YMM	Archie Graham
10YZK	Haille Morgan
11YSP	Mattie Horwell
11YMHI	Tre Campbell, Laura Goss, Maddy knight & Alex Rogers

RED SCHOOL

7RGG	Faye White
7RHCH	Tobias Minchinton
8RHC	Oliver Triggs
8RTMA	Harry Crawford & Stan Pott
9RCJ	Jamie Wreford
9RCM	Dan Roach
10RZB	Joe Ford
11RAR	Roman Assante
11RLA	Eboni Devereaux

GREEN SCHOOL

7GSW	Esther Justus & Grace Jeffery
9GHE	Sophia Harris
9GIM	Oliver Bradley & Felicity Baker
10GDH	Tom Carden
11GBA	Millie-Jo Elliott & Angel Justus
11GABR	Georgia Sheldon-Smith & Jacob Lush

STUDENT ABSENCES YEARS 7 - 11

The number for absences is 01392 - 463911 or
email studentabsence@clystvale.org



SPORTS NEWS

Year 11 Rugby:

CVCC 24-22 St Peters

Congratulations to the Y11 rugby squad who defeated near neighbours, St Peters, with a last play try. It was an outstanding game which was used for assessing GCSE Rugby gradings, with Clyst Vale only having 10 available players which was the only down side to the afternoon.



With St Peters lending two players, we went for a 12 a side version of the game, with St Peters taking a 7-0 lead into the break, which was then made 12-0 just after half time. Abe Alabaidi pulled one back for the hosts which was much needed after a long period of possession and phases. St Peters responded with a well taken try which brought the score back up to 17-7, with Clyst Vale then having a real strong part to play in the game, scoring two very well taken tries by Captain Ben Parsons and Joe Blackburn which swung the momentum sharply back to the home side. One try was converted, leaving the score with 2 minutes to go at 17-17. St Peters must have thought that they edged the win with a try after serious amounts of pressure, however missed the conversion which was crucial. With the very last play of the game, the lads dug in to put together multiple phases and territory together to manage a well taken try by our visiting St Peters winger! With the last kick of the game, up stood another visiting players, James to slot the winning kick from the 15 metre line. What a well deserved finish to a fantastic group of players.

This was, most likely, the last home game that the Y11 boys will play at Clyst Vale with a very fitting finish to a great group of students that have high levels of respect both on and off the field, with a superb level of enthusiasm and commitment throughout their five years.

All eyes and energy now go into the preparation towards competing in the U16 HSBC Rosslyn Park 7s competition at the end of March, with the warm up tournament at Exeter School preceding this on 6 March.

Well done to the squad: Ben Parsons (c), Joe Blackburn, Barnaby Bilton, Alex Rogers, Brad Maunder, Charlie Sparkes, Charlie Roberts, Abe Alabaidi, Fin Potter and Zack Killian.

A big thank you must go to Harrison Tarrant for his filming of the game and filling up water bottle skills!

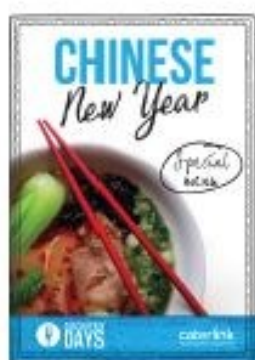
Mr Pearce

February Marketing Bulletin



Welcome to the February edition of your Marketing Bulletin. We're Caterlink, your schools caterer. We want to let you know about the great offers, promotions, events and deals we have coming up this month - So, in February we have National Pizza Day, Chinese New Year, Valentines Day, Food Hero: Banana's and the latest stop on your food journey is Destination USA.

Meal deals, loyalty cards and product promotions throughout the month.



CHINESE NEW YEAR

We will be taking a chinese themed twist for the year of the pig. Expect noodle bars, Sweet & sour sauces, spring rolls and lots of flavour!

Food Hero Bananas

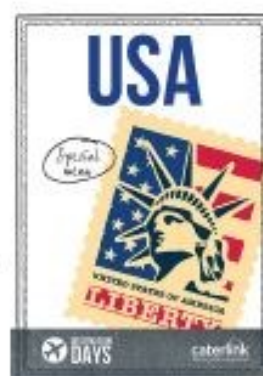


Bananas are rich in both potassium & fibre, making them a great Food Hero for February! Our recipes include Fairtrade

Banana bread, Banana & Pineapple Smoothies & Banoffee Cheesecakes.

DESTINATION USA

Pupils will be introduced to food from across the pond. We have some fantastic unique recipes for the pupils including Homemade Pumpkin pie, twists on Mac n Cheese and an assortment of hot dogs!



NATIONAL PIZZA DAY

Celebrate at your school with a selection of Pizza, sides & extras. These include, Chilli Beef & Jalepeno, Strombolis, Dough balls & Sweet potato wedges plus much more!



Valentines Day

Love is in the air! Spend Valentines Day with your true love... FOOD! Including treats like Red velvet cupcakes, Chocolate dripped strawberries, Watermelon wedges & Love bug biscuits.

LUNCH CLUBS SPRING TERM

Day	Club	Time	Where	Changing Room	Teacher
Mon (A/B)	Music Club	1.40pm	PA2		Mrs Sprengel
Mon	B&V Bespoke Revision	1.40pm to 2pm	HU2		Miss Brotherton
Mon	All Years – Badminton	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell
Mon	Year 10 & 11 – Football	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
Mon	Home Learning Study Group	Lunchtime	IT1		Mrs Gillespie
Mon	Chess Club	Lunchtime	Library		Miss Cooper
Mon	GCSE Drama Support	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Mon	Week A – ANIME Club	Lunchtime	Library		Miss Cooper
Tue	B&V Bespoke Revision	1.40pm to 2pm	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Tue	Year 11 Maths	1.40pm to 2pm	Maths Rooms		All Maths except Dr Turl
Tue	Year 11 Top Set Maths	Lunchtime	MA5		Mrs Adie
Tue (A)	Assembly/Concert/Homework Help	Lunchtime	PA2		Mrs Sprengel
Tue (A) Tue (B)	Year 10/11 Food Practical Year 11 NEA Catch Up	Lunchtime	DT3 IT4		Mrs Crook
Tue	Amnesty	Lunchtime	EN7		Miss Watt/Mrs Gillespie
Tue	Home Learning Study Group	Lunchtime	IT1		Mrs Manaton
Tue	GCSE Drama Support	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Tue	Year 10, 11 & Post 16 Basketball	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
Tue	All Years Dance	Lunchtime	Studio	New Block	Mrs Elliot
Wed	Year 11 French GCSE Revision	Lunchtime	MF1		Miss McConnachie
Wed	B&V Drop In Support	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Wed	Home Learning Study Group	Lunchtime	IT1		Mrs Woolcott
Wed	Week A – General Music Club	Lunchtime	PA2		Mrs Sprengel
Wed	Drug & Alcohol Drop In	Lunchtime	Opposite Mr Jones' Room		Mrs Gillespie
Wed	Year 12 Maths	1.40pm to 2pm	MA4		Miss Prance/Dr Turl
Wed (A)	Year 13 Maths	1.40pm to 2pm	MA8		Miss Barrett
Wed (B)	Year 13 Maths	1.40pm to 2pm	MA5		Mrs Adie
Wed	Week B - ANIME Club	Lunchtime	Library		Miss Cooper
Wed	Year 9 Indoor Football	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell & Mr Brooks
Wed	Year 10 & 11 Weights	Lunchtime	Studio	New Block	Mr Pearce
Wed	Year 7 & 8 Football	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
Wed	GCSE Drama Support	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Wed	KS3 Art Club	Lunchtime	AR2		Mrs Walton
Wed	Week A – Attenborough's Army	1.35pm	HU5		Miss Matthews
Thur	Week B - Attenborough's Army	1.35pm	HU5		Miss Matthews
Thur	Year 11 Maths	1.40pm to 2pm	MA1		Dr Turl
Thur	Year 9 Netball	Lunchtime	Courts	New Block	Mrs Elliot
Thur	Hula Hoop	Lunchtime	Dance Studio		Mrs Gillespie
Thur	Year 10 & 11 Catch Up	Lunchtime	PE5		Mrs Broomfield

LUNCH CLUBS SPRING TERM continued

Day	Club	Time	Where	Changing Room	Teacher
Thur	Various Inter-tutor	Lunchtime	Various	Various	Mr Pearce/Mr Everett/ Mr Powell
Thur (A) Thur (B)	Year 11 NEA Catch Up Year 10 Food Practical	Lunchtime	IT4 DT3		Mrs Crook
Thur	Home Learning Study Group	Lunchtime	IT1		Mrs Woolacott
Thur	KS4 Art Club	Lunchtime	AR1		Mr Brooks
Thur	Year 9 Netball Club	1.40pm	Netball Courts		Mrs Elliot
Fri	Home Learning Study Group	Lunchtime	IT1		Mrs Woolacott
Fri	KS4 Photography Club	Lunchtime	AR3		Mrs Wakefield
Fri	Food Tech - Drop In Homework	1.40pm to 2.10pm	DT4		Mrs Routledge
Fri	GCSE Dance	Lunchtime	Dance Studio		Mrs Elliot
Fri	GCSE Netball Practice	1.40pm	Netball Courts		Mrs Broomfield
Fri	Week A – Assembly/Concert/ Homework Help	Lunchtime	PA2		Mrs Sprengel
Fri	Year 10 & 11 Netball	Lunchtime	Courts	New Block	Mrs Broomfield
Fri	Year 10 & 11 Dance	Lunchtime	Studio	New Block	Mrs Elliot
Fri	Various Inter-tutor	Lunchtime	Various	Various	Mr Pearce/Mr Everett/ Mr Powell

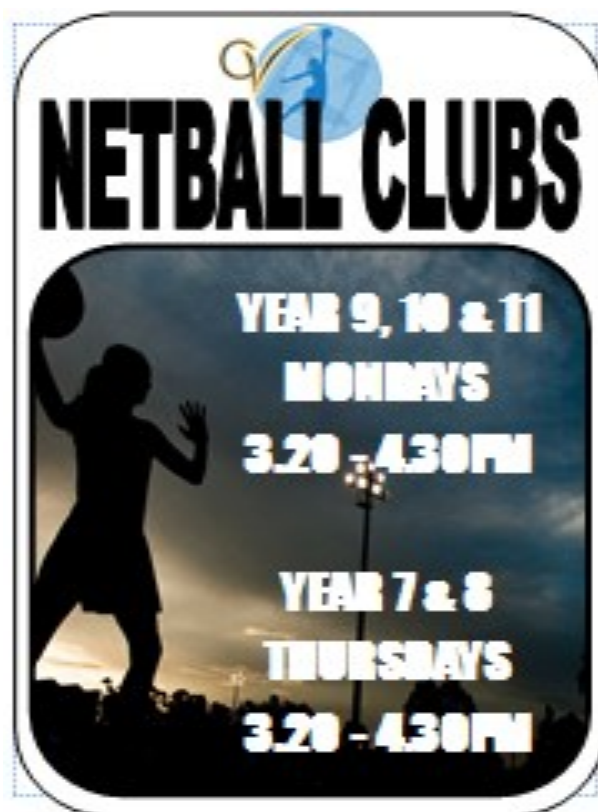
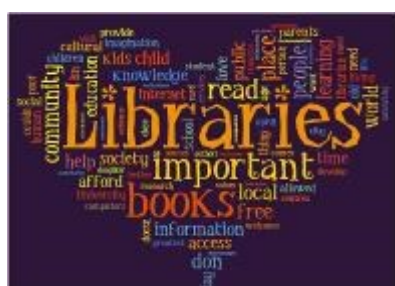
Library Opening Hours

From Monday 21st January, the library will be open from 8.45am - 3.45pm on Monday, Wednesday & Friday.

PLEASE NOTE: The library will be closed every Tuesday and Thursday

The library is open to the public on:

- Monday & Wednesday - 3.30pm - 5.30pm
- Thursday 4.00pm - 6.00pm



CALENDAR DATES

SPRING TERM 2019	
Mon 18 - Fri 22 Feb 2019	SPRING HALF TERM
Thurs 28 Feb	Y9 Parents' Evening 4.30 - 7.00
Fri 8 March	Y9 TDP and Meningitis ACWY Vaccinations
Tues 12 March	Y10 Parents' Evening 4.30 - 7.00
Wed 20 - Fri 22 March	Y12 Geography Residential - Dorset
Fri 29 March	Take Your Child to Work Day
Thurs 4 April	PE Sports Awards Evening 6.00 - 9.00
Fri 5 April 2019	Non-Uniform Day (Guide Dogs for the Blind) LAST DAY OF SPRING TERM
SUMMER TERM 2019	
Wed 24 April 2019	START OF SUMMER TERM
Sat 27 - Sun 28 April	Ten Tors Practice Weekend
Thurs 2 May	Y7 Parents' Evening 4.15 - 7.15
Mon 6 May	Bank Holiday
Tues 7 May	Y12 Parents' Evening 4.30 - 7.30
Fri 10 - Sun 12 May	Ten Tors Main Event
Fri 24 May	Y11 and Y13 Study Leave Starts
Mon 27 - Fri 31 May 2019	SUMMER HALF TERM
Wed 12 June	Y6 Non Feeder Evening 6.00 - 8.00
Fri 28 June	Y11 Prom 6.00 - 11.00
Mon 8 July	New Intake Parents' Evening 6.00 - 8.00
Tues 9 July	Sports Day
Fri 12 July	Y12 Final Day
Mon 15 July - Fri 19 July	Y10 Work Experience Week
Thurs 18 - Sun 21 July	Y12 Gold D of E Practice
Fri 19 July 2019	LAST DAY OF SUMMER TERM

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 you will be contacted 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 ring:

Penni Ball (Attendance Officer)

Direct line: 01392 463911

Email: studentabsence@clystvale.org

For Year 12 - 13 Absences

Please ring:

Jassy Barrington (Post-16 PA)

Direct line: 01392 462697

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



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

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 College logo.
- Boys trousers - Banner Slimbridge (Black)/Banner Falmouth (Black).
- Girls trousers - Trutex GTN (2 pocket black)/David Luke DL965 black).
- **All trousers must have Clyst Vale logo rivet on waistband.**
- Skirts - Blue Tartan.
- Trutex Senior stitched down/Taylor Tartan (blue) skirt and may be worn no more than 2" above the knee. Knee length black tailored shorts may be worn in the summer.
- Black sturdy shoes or **all black** trainers.
- White socks or black tights with skirts.
- Clyst Vale reversible jacket or other outdoor coat.

All uniform and PE Kit can be purchased from Thomas Moore, Exeter. Thomas Moore offers both a personal service in their shop and also the opportunity to order on line at www.thomasmooretoymaster.co.uk.

- 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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