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NEWSLETTER

**“Pennies don’t fall from heaven.
They have to be earned here on earth.”
Margaret Thatcher**

Dear Parents/Carers

There will be early lunches (because of exams) next week on Monday, Tuesday *and* Wednesday.

Education Funding

At 10.00 this morning (Friday) you should have received a letter and a brief guide “Education on the Doorstep”, providing questions you may wish to ask if a prospective political candidate turns up on *your* doorstep canvassing votes. This is part of the latest campaign by the Headteachers of fourteen counties to keep education funding in the spotlight as the build-up to the general election continues. Just a reminder that schools need an increase of £3bn *each year*. My colleagues and I will continue to make your children our first priority, but unless there is a major change nationally, our future students will receive a worse educational deal than even their older brothers or sisters a couple of years before them.

PTFA Meeting: Careers

It really is a shame that more people didn’t attend this week’s meeting. Nicola Bennett gave a really good presentation and engaged in discussion about Careers provision at Clyst Vale, how she intends to improve it, and some of the challenges as technology, firms and recruitment processes are changing so rapidly. We are already responding to this: for example, group assessment tasks are becoming more popular among recruiters. This was part of the focus of the recent BT “Bootcamp” attended by 35 Year 9 students. A key part of the Careers programme is Year 10 work experience, which will be four days from 17th – 20th July; thank you to parents who are also employers and offer placements – we are always looking for more business involvement!

Exam Season

My weekly update.....This week has gone extremely well. After a big (ie lots of students!) B&V exam on Monday there have been a handful of smaller GCSE exams. There are more big exams next week. Candidates’ behaviour has been excellent, with literally only a couple of minor exceptions. County Show traffic did not cause any problems for students on certain buses being late. The rest of the College has adjusted quickly to the changed expectations and need for quiet. One or two students and parents have queried our approach to study leave for Year 11; we are in line with most schools in starting it from Monday 5th June. One or two nearby schools have allowed study leave from next Monday; equally, one or two are keeping students in for a week and in one case two weeks after half-term. I passed on my late mother’s advice to one student: “If you look hard enough, you can always find someone better off and someone worse off than yourself”. We’re happy with our compromise: for the majority of Clyst Vale students, they are better keeping to the routine.

Rites of Passage

Next Friday we will mark the departure of Years 11 and 13 with some small-scale celebrations for each year group. Symbolically, it's important – it's the last time the year groups will be together as a whole, even though many will meet up during exams and at the Proms at the end of June. The arrangements for Year 11 are similar to previous years: on Friday 26th May students will either be in an English Literature exam or in normal lessons 1 and 2. During lesson 3 the year group will congregate in Post-16 for some presentations and the customary hilarious PowerPoint presentation charting their five years with us; some haven't changed a bit..... There will also be a shirt-signing fest. During lesson 4, groups will be with their tutors for a fond farewell. Students will be free to go home at lunchtime with parents' permission (a formal letter has been sent by Schoolcomms). Year 13, as befits their senior status, will have a much more serene celebration in Post-16 at lunchtime, following a normal morning of lessons.

Social Media

Precisely a year ago, I warned parents about misuse of Instagram in which girls were being enticed into sending revealing photos of themselves. This followed on from a major fall-out among Year 9 girls. This year we have another fall-out, again among Year 9 girls (mostly). I suppose it's some comfort to students and parents involved that this seems to be a phase which passes, but it is yet another reminder about how unpleasant and distracting social media can be. If a student is worrying about social media, s/he is less likely to be learning effectively, is more likely to be constantly checking their phone, disturbing their sleep and setting up a vicious circle. The particular site at the moment is "sayat.me" which bills itself as an "anonymous feedback site"; parents with longer memories might recall "ask.fm" and the problems it caused, and "sayat.me" is of similar ilk: it allows the opportunity to post unpleasant, hurtful and offensive comments. We will do what we can in College to challenge and support, and if you have any concerns please report them.

The Internet Can Be Lovely....

This week the Science department has been hatching chicks, and it has been possible to view via the chick cam link: <http://www.clystvale.org/chick-cam>. This goes to show that at least some creatures at Clyst Vale are fluffy and cute!



Dr Bawn



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



YELLOW SCHOOL	
7YJPU	Laurence Raeder
8YME	Ed Sleep
8YMM	Charlotte Lacey
9YJCO	Kaddy Dag
9YSP	Rachel Champion
10YMPR	Hattie Lavis
11YCW	Mollie Tillett

SILVER SCHOOL	
8SAO	Tom Carden
9SLA	Katie Berry & Fin Potter
10SNG	Megan White
10SNS	Jack Carden & Alice Courtier
11SDJ	John Madams & Paige Galliford

Lunch Clubs Mon - Wed

Mon	Music Club - WEEK A	1.45pm - 2.15pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Mon	Year 11 Maths Workshops	1.30pm to 2pm	Look at posters in the Maths block		Miss Barratt
Mon	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Gillespie
Mon	Year 7 & 8 Girls Rounders	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Miss Wright & Mrs Needs
Mon	Vocal Harmony Group	Lunchtime	PA3		Miss Williams
Mon	Invasion of the Pawn Snatchers Chess Club	Lunchtime	Library		Mrs Foulds
Mon	KS3 B&V Homework Drop In	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Mon	Year 7 & 8 Boys Cricket	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce
Mon	Year 9, 10 & 11 Athletics	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
Mon	Year 10/11/12 & 13 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	Year 10 Homework/Catch Up - HSC	1.30pm to 2.15pm	VO2		Mrs Colin
Tues	Year 12 Maths	Lunchtime	MA5		Mrs Adie
Tues	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Manaton
Tues	Year 13 Maths	Lunchtime	MA8		Miss Barratt
Tues	Year 10/11/12 & 13 Rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Tues	Amnesty	1.30pm to 2.15pm	EN7		Miss Watt/Mrs Gillespie
Tues	Year 9, 10 & 11 Cricket Nets	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell & Miss Wright
Tues	Year 7 & 8 Science Club	1.40pm	SC2		Dr Odunlade
Tues	Food - Theory Catch Up	Lunchtime	IT4		Mrs Crook
Tues	Year 7 & 8 Football	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
Tues	Year 10 v 11 Softball	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce
Tues	All Years Boys & Girls Dance	Lunchtime	Dance Studio	New Block	Mrs Elliot
Tues	Year 7 & 8 Tennis	Lunchtime	Courts		Mrs Woolacott
Tues	Year 10 B&V Revision	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 Bank	Lunchtime	PA3		Miss Williams
Wed	KS3 B&V Homework Drop In	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Wed	Year 9 & 10 Rounders	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mrs Elliot & Mrs Broomfield
Wed	Drugs & Alcohol Info Drop In	Lunchtime	Opposite Mr Jones' room		Mrs Gillespie
Wed	French Year 11 Revision Sessions	Lunchtime	MF1		Miss McConnachie
Wed	Year 9 & 10 Drama Club	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Wed B	Year 10 GCSE Food Practical Catch Up	1.25pm to 2.15pm	DT4		Mrs Crook
Wed	Year 9, 10 & 11 Basketball	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
Wed	Textiles Club	Lunchtime	DT4		Miss Webber

Lunch Clubs Thurs - Fri

Thurs	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Woolacott
Thurs	All Years Boys & Girls Badminton	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell
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	Year 11 Revision (to half term only)	Lunchtime	PA3		Miss Williams
Thurs	Learn To Read Music (half term onwards)	Lunchtime	PA3		Miss Williams
Thurs	Sign Up Only 10 Hula-hoop	Lunchtime	Dance Studio	New Block	Mrs Gillespie
Thurs	Year 9 Boys & Girls Cricket	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce
Thurs	Year 9, 10 & 11 Tennis	Lunchtime	Courts	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
Thurs	Year 11 B&V Revision	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Thurs	Year 7 & 8 Drama Club	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Fri	Minecraft Club	Lunchtime	IT3		Mr Bailey
Fri	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Woolacott
Fri	Academic Catch Up	Lunchtime	IT5		Mrs Higginson
Fri	Music Club - Week A & B	1.45pm to 2.15pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Fri	Band/Group Rehearsals for Festival on the Field	Lunchtime	PA3		Miss Williams
Fri	Year 7 - 11 Inter Tutor	Lunchtime	Various	New Block unless specified	Mr Powell/Mr Pearce Mrs Elliot/Mr Everett
Fri	Year 11 GCSE PE Revision	1.45pm	PE5		Mrs Broomfield
Fri	GCSE Drama Support	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Fri	GCSE History Workshop/Revision	Lunchtime	HU7		Mrs Padden

National Citizenship Service

This fantastic opportunity is open to Year 11 students over the summer. If you follow the link you will find information about brilliant activities, for an extraordinarily low price. The NCS team is government endorsed, and linked to Exeter City Football Club. Previous students have reported that they learned invaluable skills, made great friendships, and spent their summer productively.

<http://mailchi.mp/08594fb7d5b0/ncs-summer-156029>

Sam Brunt
NCS Engagement Officer
Exeter City FC Football in the Community
St James Park, Stadium Way, Exeter, EX4 6PX

Woodlands Trip: 19 July 2017

The end of term trip to Woodlands will take place on Wednesday 19 July. The trip is open to Years 7 and 9 and to Year 8 students who are not involved in the Bude Residential. The cost of the trip is £18.00. We will leave Clyst Vale at 9.05am and return by 3.15pm. Clyst Vale uniform does not need to be worn, but practical clothing is essential. Students should bring spare clothing if they wish to go on the water rides. Please ensure your child has a hat and sun cream or wet weather clothing, depending on the forecast for the day. If you would like your child to take part, please make payment by Mon 5 June 2017, as detailed below:

Payment can be made online through the School Gateway online payment system – www.schoolgateway.com. This can be accessed via the Clyst Vale website at <http://www.clystvale.org/parents/online-payment>.

**Mrs Albutt
Head of Red School**

Year 11 Prom

The final arrangements are being made for the Year 11.

This event is being held at Reed Hall, University of Exeter on Thursday 29th June 2017. Tickets are £28.50 and are available to purchase on-line until 26th May. The price will include a mocktail on arrival, a food and sweet buffet, disco, photo booth and an individual 9 x 6 portrait (portraits will be available to collect from school on GCSE Exam Results day).

We anticipate that students will start arriving from 6.30pm and that most students will have arrived by 8.00pm. The evening will finish at 11.00pm and you will need to make arrangements to collect your son/daughter from the venue.

I am sure the students are looking forward to the prom and will have a wonderful evening.

If you would like any further information, please contact Miss Hellier on 01392 463913 or email hellierc@clystvale.org.

**Miss Hellier
Green School AtHoS**

CALENDAR DATES

Fri 26th May	Y11 Leavers' Assembly and Start of Study Leave
Mon 29th May—Fri 2nd June	Half Term
Thurs 8th June	Y8 Parents' Evening 4.30pm—7.00pm
Wed 14th June	Non Feeder Parents' Evening 5.30pm
Thurs 22nd June	Y12 Mock Exams begin
Mon 26th June—Wed 28th June	Y9 Mock Exams
Thurs 29th June	Y11 Prom
Thurs 29th June	DLD
Fri 30th June	Y13 Prom
Mon 3rd July—Tues 4th July	Y10 P16 Taster Sessions
Wed 5th July—Fri 7th July	New Intake Days
Mon 10th, Wed 12th, Thurs 13th & Fri 14th July	Celebration Assemblies
Tues 11th July	Sports Day
Fri 14th July	P16 Taster Day
Sat 15th July—Mon 17th July	Y9 Trip to Ypres
Sun 16th July—Sun 13th August	Borneo Expedition
Mon 17th July—Fri 21st July	Y7 Paris Residential
Mon 17th July—Wed 19th July	Bude Residential
Tues 18th July—Sat 22nd July	Y10, Y11 & Y12 Geography Field Trip to Iceland
Wed 19th July	Y7 & Y9 Woodlands Trip
Fri 21st July	Non-Uniform Day

Clyst Vale Public Library

Did you know that there is a public library at Clyst Vale Community College? Part of Devon's Libraries Unlimited, the public is welcome to borrow books and audiobooks, use the internet, reserve items for collection and return books from other public libraries across Devon. There is also a fortnightly Bounce and Rhyme session for parents/carers and their babies/toddlers. Please call in to the library for more information during the opening hours listed below:

Mon: 3.30 - 5.30
 Wed: 3.30 - 5.30
 Thurs: 4.00 - 6.00

The Public Library is part of the School Library and is located next to Reception. Access can be gained from the main school entrance.

Mrs Foulds
Library Manager

Ski Pila 2019

If your child is interested in being part of the next Ski Trip in 2019 they need to collect a letter from Mrs Woolacott or from the folder outside of the PE office.

Pila is an excellent beginner resort with over 70kms of pistes offering high altitude, snowsure skiing for everyone from complete beginners to those who have previously skied. The price will be **£969.00** which includes the following:

- Travel from College to resort and return journey (luxury 49 seater coach fitted with seat belts), plus ferry, together with use of coach whilst in resort
- Ski lessons (morning and afternoon for six days)
- Hire of skis, boots and poles
- Full area lift pass
- Full insurance (including 24 hour Medicare, ski breakage and snow guarantee)
- Full board accommodation, including hot lunch on the slopes
- Après-ski activities, such as ice-skating, tubing, ski test and Presentation Evening
- College ski hooded sweatshirt

Behaviour and achievement points will be taken into consideration prior to students being accepted on this trip.



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

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



BROADCLYST FUN DAY FAMILY DOG SHOW

SATURDAY JUNE 24TH 2017



ALL PUPPIES MUST BE 6 MONTHS OR OLDER ON THE DAY OF THE SHOW

ENTRY £1.00 PER CLASS: PAY AS YOU ENTER THE RING

JUDGING FROM 1:30PM



- CLASSES 1-10**
- 1: BEST PUPPY 6-12 MONTHS
 - 2: BEST PEDIGREE
 - 3: BEST CROSS-BREED
 - 4: BEST CONDITION
 - 5: BEST ROUGH/LONG COAT
 - 6: BEST SMOOTH/SHORT COAT
 - 7: BEST CHILD HANDLER
 - 8: BEST VETERAN (OVER 7YRS)
 - 9: BEST TRICK
 - 10: BEST FANCY DRESS



SHOW CHAMPION ALL 1ST PLACES FROM 2-10 (not class 1)

MANY THANKS TO OUR GENEROUS SPONSOR "BEAUMONT VETERINARY PRACTICE" FOR SUPPORTING THE 2017 DOG SHOW AND TO ALL THOSE WHO HAVE HELPED MAKE IT POSSIBLE





Broadclyst Fun Day & Family Dog Show



Saturday 24th June 2017
on Broadclyst Playing Fields, EX5 3JB

11am-5pm

- Community stalls
- Games
- Kids races
- Raffle
- Tombola
- BBQ

Timetable:

11.30am	Kids Races
12.45pm	Gameshow Challenge!
1.30pm	Family Dog show
2.00pm	Cream teas served
4.00pm	Raffle draw
4.30pm	Grand finale! Egg-throw

All day: Check out the stalls with lots of fun activities and challenges!

- Jacket potatoes
- Coconut shy
- Beer tent
- Local ale
- Skittles
- Face painting

Ozzy D Magic

Bouncy castles

FREE ADMISSION!

New for 2017! The family Gameshow Challenge, hosted by the one and only Ozzy D!

Enquiries - broadclystfunday@hotmail.co.uk or 07532 286713

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.

All uniform 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.

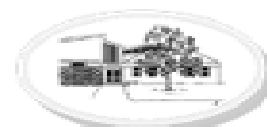
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