



NEWSLETTER

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will be Week B

"One man's faith is another man's delusion."

Anthony Storr

Dear Parents/Carers

Harry Patch Day

Today is Harry Patch Day, and the 100th anniversary of Harry's personal day of remembrance from the Battle of Passchendaele. Mrs Padden's commitment to preserving his memory and inspirational idea of creating a peace garden has attracted a great deal of media interest locally, so keep your eyes and ears open today! Educationally, focusing on one individual means that it is easier for students to conceptualise the First World War; therefore, Harry's messages about remembering the bravery of his comrades, and the importance of peace rather than conflict feel much more personal and relevant. The garden will be opened at the end of the College day today (Friday).

Open Evening

This year's Open Evening on Tuesday was stunning, the best I can ever remember. Around 150 students were involved with departments or as tour guides, and I cannot praise them highly enough or stress how proud of them we all are. Our students were enthusiastic, honest, loyal, spoke and listened well, and parent after parent commented on this. There was the same kind of buzz that one associates with a school production. So, many, many thanks to parents/carers for loaning us your children for the evening, and for providing the inevitable taxi service. We are offering daytime tours of the College at 10.00 a.m. from October 2nd – 6th. If you are a Year 6 parent/carer yourself, or know someone who may be interested in seeing us on a typical day, please contact Claire Phillips on 01392-463919 or email phillipsc@clystvale.org.

Year 7 Meet the Tutor Evening

Next Thursday is Year 7's "Meet the Tutor" evening, at which Year 7 parents can, er, meet their child's tutor. This is an appointment to discuss how well Year 7 students have settled in, to have any queries answered, and to raise any concerns or issues. We do not always receive full information from Primary feeder schools, so the evening can also be useful to fill in some gaps. Other staff will be there for informal conversations, as well as the PTFA dispensing hot drinks and being available to give a parents' perspective.

Camps International Tanzania Expedition 2019

We have worked with Camps International for six years, and Tanzania will be the fourth expedition after two to Cambodia and this summer's expedition to Borneo. All of the expeditions are around four weeks in length, and all include an adventure/challenge, a community project or projects, and some sight-seeing and downtime. The Tanzania attractions are scuba-diving and safari. The expedition is not cheap, and there is an expectation that students will fund-raise towards the cost, hence a two-year cycle. Camps International presented to students in Years 10-12 today, and will hold a parents' information evening next Wednesday at 6.30 p.m. in the Main Hall with a particular focus on the funding. The expeditions are brilliantly organised and safe, but can be very challenging and physically demanding; for example scuba-diving with orang-utans was fantastic, but those on the Borneo trip also learned not to sit on logs in the jungle (ants) and became skilled at mixing concrete in 90% humidity.

PTFA 4th October

Our new caterers, Caterlink, will be at the PTFA AGM on 4th October, so this is a great opportunity to come along and ask questions and sample their wares. It is also a great opportunity to join and shape the direction of the PTFA. Long before my time, Clyst Vale's PTFA just raised funds, and held a big summer fete. By 2001 it concentrated on four or five smaller fund-raisers, and definitely no fete (the funds supplemented the College budget for "extras"). By about 2010 it still ran two or three fund-raisers, with an annual chocolate bingo swapping between Christmas and Easter; at the same time, there was an increasing emphasis on a parents' forum approach, so meetings would be prefaced by a presentation on some aspect of College life. At times, the PTFA has been used as a formal sounding-board, the best example being over the uniform changes five years ago, and a regular informal sounding-board at other times. Latterly, the PTFA have become more involved in transition events providing information and reassurance on a parent-to-parent level. This combination of roles has more or less continued until today. The band of stalwart PTFA members of the past few years is also dwindling as their children get older and leave. So, please come along!

Behaviour out of class and rough play

Regular readers of this Newsletter over the years will know that in the third week or so of this term I start writing about rough play. It could be the equinox or forthcoming Hunter's Moon; perhaps changes in air pressure; it could be that the novelty of the new term has worn off; it could be linked to pecking order behaviours. Whatever the cause, it needs to stop. It's mostly but not entirely boys, and it's mostly Years 7 and 8 with some 9s. The "play" starts quite acceptably, is generally among friendship groups rather than bullying, and often arises from a game of football, a chasing game, over-excitability conversation, or over-physicality. We have staff supervising and intervening, and this week I have reminded students that they need to self-regulate as well. We have the best school fields in the area for students to let off steam, but if individuals abuse this then we will reluctantly need to keep them indoors so that others can enjoy themselves safely.

Road Closure

We've been advised of a forthcoming road closure between Ashelyst Cottages and Westwood Cross from 9th-13th October for drainage works. This will affect students coming to school from Westwood, Clyst St Lawrence and properties between Clyst St Lawrence and Clyst Hydon. School transport will follow diversion routes.

The morning drop-off

Old habits die hard. Please try to drive down to the pedestrian crossing opposite the Technology Block to drop off students. Letting them out under the big tree, the yellow hatched area or the entrance means they walk across in front of vehicles swinging in. We are trying to make the morning arrival as smooth as possible, but also as safe as possible.

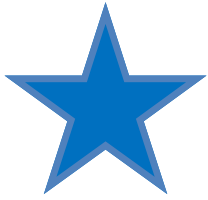
The Can Ban

Please note that the can ban extends to aerosols as well. The one thing cans have in common is that they are all made of metal, which can hurt and can be extremely dangerous if sliced up by a grass cutter, for example. Then there's the contents: energy drinks really do not help learning, as they can lead to highs and slumps in behaviour; fizzy drinks are also unhealthy; aerosols are pressurised and therefore dangerous if misused. There are plenty of other products available to tackle the distinctive smell of teenager.....

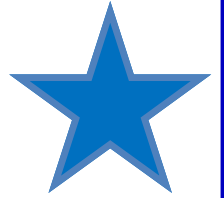
Sidmouth Science Festival

The Festival runs from Tuesday 3rd until Sunday 15th October. Full details can be found on www.sidmouthsciencefestival.org.





STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



RED SCHOOL

7REW	BEN PORTER
7RTMA	RUBY WORLIN
8RCJ	OLIVER CHURCHILL
8RCM	TOM LIPSCOMB
9RZB	KITTY PEPPER
10RLA	SAM TAUNTON
11RDH	SAM TERRETT
11RGG	MIA HART

YELLOW SCHOOL

7KHO	SAFFIE MOON
7YRB	GRACE BOWER
8YMBR	SOPHIE GARNSWORTHY & MEGHAN MAJOR
8YJPU	LILY DAVEY
9YMM	TOM SLUGGETT
9YZK	INDIA ROSS
10YMHI	HOLLY BROWN & CHARLIE SLEE
10YSP	RACHEL CHAMPION
11YMPR	MILLY WRIGHT
11YNS	GRACE REED

GREEN SCHOOL

7GDJ	RUBY DAVIDSON & JOSH BLATCHFORD
7GGT	SOPHIE ELLIOT & JAKE LEIGHTON
8GHE	LUCIA TAYLOR & SAM WALTERS
9GAO	MEGAN NEWBERRY & JAMES SLATER
9GPE	EMILY BIRD
10GABR	MIA FRANCIS & JOSH BRADLEY
10GBA	EVIE GRIFFIN & LAURIE WALKER
11GNG	BETH CARTER & OLLIE WELCH
11GSW	CERYS SEARLE-GOUGH & MATTHEW HILL

CALENDAR DATES

Mon 25th Sept—13th Oct	Spanish Students visit
Wed 27th Sept	Camps International Expedition Parents' Presentation Evening 6.30pm—8.00pm
Thurs 28th Sept	YR7 Meet the Tutor 4.30pm—7.00pm
Wed 4th Oct	GCSE PE Practicals — Handball 3.30pm—4.30pm
Thurs 5th Oct	Eden Art Trip & YR10 Parents' Information Evening 6.00pm
Mon 9th Oct	YR9 Sikh Guest Speaker/Workshop
Wed 11th Oct	KS3 Around the World in 80 Days Trip 7pm
Fri 13th Oct	9.15 – 10.35 Chelsea's Choice (theatre presentation)
Wed 18th Oct	Deep Learning Day & Learn to Live 12.20pm—3.00pm
Fri 20th Oct— 27th Oct	Half Term
Thurs 2nd Nov	6.00 – 8.00 Post 16 Open Evening
Fri 17th Nov	Children in Need—Non uniform day
Sun 19th Nov	DofE/Ten Tors Walk 1 Dartmoor
Tues 21st Nov	4.30 Y13 Parents' Evening
Thurs 23rd Nov	6.30 GCSE Presentation Evening
Thurs 30th Nov	4.30 Y12 Parents' Evening (Tutor only)
Mon 4th Dec—Fri 8th Dec	Mocks/practice exams
Sat 9th Dec	DofE/Ten Tors Walk 2 Dartmoor
Tues 12th Dec	4.30 Y8 Parents' Evening
Fri 15th Dec	Non Uniform Day – Alzheimer's Society
Thurs 21st Dec—2nd Jan	Christmas Holidays

DO YOU HAVE SOME SPARE TIME?

We are looking for a Meal time Assistant for 1 hour a day. £8.96 per hour. There may be a Mum, Dad, Nan, retired/unemployed person who just wants to earn a bit of pin money. £44.80 a week for 39 weeks a year - it's a bag of groceries a week!

Duties include:- queue monitoring, wiping tables, sweeping up. DBS will be undertaken.

If you are interested then send an email of interest to allens@clystvale.org or a letter to Sophie Allen, Facilities Manager c/o Clyst Vale

Sophie Allen

EXCITING ANNOUNCEMENT!!

THE BATTLE ... OF ... BOAT

MARCH 2018

AUDITIONS

FOR THE NEXT PRODUCTION!!!!

WEDNESDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER 1.30PM YEAR 7

THURSDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER 1.30PM YEAR 8

FRIDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER 1.30PM YEAR 9

MONDAY 2ND OCTOBER 1.30PM YEAR 10

WEDNESDAY 3RD OCTOBER 1.30PM YEAR 11

WEDNESDAY 3RD OCTOBER 3.30PM 6TH FORM

COLLECT AUDITION INFO FROM TABLE OUTSIDE PA1 FRIDAY 22ND AND
MONDAY 25TH LUNCHTIMES

AUDITION SONG PREPARATION- MONDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER 1.45PM PA3

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.

Lunch Clubs—Mon—Thurs

Day	Club	Time	Where	Changing Rooms	Teacher
Mon	Music Club - WEEK A & B	Lunchtime	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Mon	Netball (to start in a few weeks time)	Lunchtime	Courts		Mrs Needs
Mon	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Gillespie
Mon	All Years Girls Rugby	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce
Mon	Science Club - WEEK B	Lunchtime	SC2		Dr Odunlade
Mon	Invasion of the Pawn Snatchers Chess Club	Lunchtime	Library		Mrs Foulds
Mon	B&V Year 11 Religion Unit	1.45pm	HU2		Miss Brotherton
Mon	Year 10 & 11 Football	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett

Tues	Year 10 & 11 GCSE History Catch Up	Lunchtime	HU7		Mrs Padden
Tues	Year 11 GCSE Food Practical Catch Up - WEEK A	Lunchtime	DT3		Mrs Crook
Tues	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Manaton
Tues	Amnesty	1.30pm to 2.15pm	EN7		Miss Watt
Tues	Year 9 Netball	Lunchtime	Courts	New Block	Miss Bennett
Tues	Year 8 Netball	Lunchtime	Courts	New Block	Mrs Elliot
Tues	Year 7 & 8 Rugby	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce
Tues	Year 9 Basketball	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
Tues	Music Club	Lunchtime	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Tues	Year 11 B&V Thematic Unit	1.45pm	HU1		Miss Brotherton

Wed	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Woolacott
Wed	Year 9 B&V	1.45pm	HU2		Miss Brotherton
Wed	All Years Dance & Weights	Lunchtime	Dance Studio	New Block	Mrs Elliot
Wed	Drugs & Alcohol Info Drop In	Lunchtime	Opposite Mr Jones Room		Mrs Gillespie
Wed	Year 9 + Above Careers Drop In	Lunchtime	Careers room		Mrs Bennett
Wed	Year 11 Maths Surgery - WEEK A (Starting after Half Term)	1.30pm to 2pm	MA8		Miss Barratt Ms Prance
Wed	Art Club	Lunchtime	AR3		Mrs Walton
Wed	Year 10 & 11 Netball	Lunchtime	Courts	New Block	Mrs Broomfield
Wed	Year 8 & 9 Football	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett
Wed	Year 10 GCSE Food Practical Catch - WEEK A	Lunchtime	DT3		Mrs Crook
Wed	All Years Badminton	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell

Thurs	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Woolacott
Thurs	Year 9 & 10 Rugby	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce
Thurs	Art Club	Lunchtime	AR3		Mrs Pieczenko
Thurs	GCSE Art Club	Lunchtime	AR1		Mr Brooks
Thurs	Year 11 GCSE Food Practical Catch Up	Lunchtime	DT3		Mrs Crook
Thurs	Year 10 & 11 Basketball	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
Thurs	Hula Hoop Club	Lunchtime	Dance Studio	New Block	Mrs Gillespie
Thurs	Year 11 Science Workshop	Lunchtime	SC5		Mrs Serven
Thurs	Year 7 Netball	Lunchtime	Courts	New Block	Mrs Elliot
Thurs	Girls Film Club	1.40pm	HU5		Ms Matthews
Thurs	Year 7 & 8 B&V	1.45pm	HU1		Miss Brotherton

Lunch Clubs—Fri

Fri	Art Club	Lunchtime	AR2		Mrs Wakefield
Fri	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Woolacott
Fri	Music Club - WEEK A & B	Lunchtime	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Fri	Year 9 + Above Careers Drop In	Lunchtime	Careers Room		Mrs Bennett
Fri	Year 7 - 11 Inter Tutor	Lunchtime	Various	Various	Mr Powell/Mr Pearce/Mrs Broomfield
					Mrs Elliot/Mr Everett
Fri	GCSE History Workshop/Revision	Lunchtime	HU7		Mrs Padden

SPORTS NEWS

Year 10 Rugby

CVCC 25-20 Cullompton

Clyst Vale enjoyed their first game of the season with a very competitive game against local rivals Cullompton. Blackburn, Tarrant and Parsons' tries edged the game and ensured that they go through to the Area quarter finals against either St Peters or Okehampton at home. A man of the match performance by Fred Worth at full back and a brave debut by Jacob Lush were great to see. A huge thanks and gratitude must go to Cullompton for lending three players for each half which allowed the game to proceed.

Year 8 Rugby

St Lukes 15-5 CVCC

Clyst Vale just came up short, despite having a lot of possession and territory. Led by skipper Dom Boots-Hutchings, they worked hard and were collective with a great team spirit and attitude. Despite the heavy rain, the boys showed good handling skills and running and were very unlucky to concede the match by two late tries. Man of the match was Tom Massey, top tackler being Josh Worlin and hardest runner being Nathan Holden.

Adam Pearce

James Slater (9GA0) successfully completed a sponsored charity swim for the Chestnut Appeal for Prostate Cancer on the 18th September.

James was the youngest of 216 participants. The swimmers set off at 10:00am and James completed the swim at 10:29am and though this was not a competition he finished 15th.

A big thank you to all staff that supported James in his efforts.



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

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



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 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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