



"When people are free to do as the please, they usually imitate each other."

Eric Hoffer



No. 585 w/c Mon 26 March 2018 will be Week B

Dear Parents/Carers,

Kirkland Rowell Parental Survey

We have just had the results back, and will put a link to the full report via our website next week. There were 113 returns, which is much fewer than when we issued the survey on paper! The highlights are that overall parents consider the College "good", although slightly down on 2017. 17% considered the College had improved over the last year. Read to Learn, Beliefs & Values and Course 42 were regarded as the best subjects. Away from subjects, parents are particularly happy with communication, moral values and building confidence. The top priorities for improvement are school facilities and quality of teaching and levels of homework. The survey approximates to Ofsted gradings, and everything is good except these "outstanding" matters: Read to Learn, Beliefs & Values, Course 42, ICT, Maths, English, School Communication, Developing Moral Values, Developing Confidence, Regular Marking of Work, and encouraging pupils' activity in the community. The most major issues reported are diet and exercise; this is interesting, given the amount of PE and sport on offer, but clearly things we need to investigate further. Thank you very much indeed if you are among the 113!

Year 10 Practice Exams

Year 10 have been absolutely magnificent in their approach and attitude to their practice exams. They have been a real credit to themselves and to you as their parents/carers. Yes, they have two more days of exams to go, and yes, we don't know yet how well they have done, but praise where it's due!

Deep Learning Day

Monday's snow caused one or two logistical issues for DLD, but it was a successful day. Year 13 sat some voluntary practice exams; Year 12 enjoyed their trip to the HE Convention at Westpoint, and some teambuilding activities in the afternoon; the main feature for Year 11 was revision and study skills led by Positively Mad; Year 10 had a careers-focused day, in which preparation for a mock interview and the interview itself was particularly useful; Year 9 experienced a variety of health-related activities; Year 8's day involved a variety of problem-solving activities – those skills employers like – in Maths; Year 7 went to the Eden Project to consider adaptation and different climate zones. We were very disappointed with the coach company for this trip, which shortened the day for one group in particular, and will not be using them again.

The Battle of Boat

One final thank you to everyone involved in "Boat", which was a real triumph. There were all sorts of difficulties in the run-up to the shows, and there was a massive amount of extra support needed. Perhaps this is why the cast, crew and orchestra gelled particularly well, and it was a privilege to see this "backstage", and the camaraderie continue into this week. Thank you to everyone who came along, and lastly to parents for all the support you have given over the past few months.

Jaguar Landrover 4x4 National Finals

At the time of writing, our team is busy competing at the National Finals at JLR HQ. Watch this space!

BBC News School Report Day

We were very pleased that Maddy Ross in Year 12 took part in this year's School report Day, with a feature about women cricketers in Devon. This was covered in BBC Spotlight and for a day or two on the main BBC Sports website. In case you missed it, it's on

http://www.bbc.co.uk/sport/cricket/43418862

Nits Again

I'm convinced it's something to do with the weather, but we are getting further reports of nits. This seems confined to Year 7 students, and there have only been a handful of cases, but everyone who has been a parent of small children knows how irritating nits are, literally and metaphorically. Please check your children's hair and take the appropriate action!

Cycling – helmets

It is a condition of allowing students to cycle to Clyst Vale that they have proper safety precautions in place. This means a helmet, visibility, and a properly serviced bike. With the nicer weather allegedly starting, more students will cycle to College, so now is a very good time to remind everyone about helmets in particular.

Under-15 Girls' Rugby

Many congratulations to our under-15 team, made up of girls from Years 9 and 10. Having won their area tournament last Friday with a clean sweep of six wins, yesterday they competed at the County Finals and clocked up five more wins before losing to a very impressive Kingsbridge side. Nonetheless, they have done brilliantly, and kept alive our successful tradition of girls' rugby. Eleven successive wins and finishing second in the County is some achievement. And again, Mr Pearce was delighted with the attitude and teamwork the girls demonstrated.

Best wishes,

Dr Bawn

RUGBY NEWS

U13 Girls v Sidmouth College: Sidmouth 30-30 CVCC

A very muddy and wet pitch awaited Clyst Vale when they arrived at Sidmouth last Monday. The girls fell behind to a couple of quick fire tries but rallied to score four unanswered tries through direct running. A late score secured a fair result at the end. Well done to the girls: Izzy Price ©, Karenza Hurren, Emma Gold, Emily Clayton, Jess Luscombe, Sophie Elliot, Izzy Cocking, Libby Pearson, Maggie Pascoe, Amarylis Shelley, Ellie Raynor-Johnson.



Year 10 Boys @ Exeter & East Devon 7's

The Year 10 lads were once again a true credit to take away to Blundell's School for the area 7's, a competition they finished runners up in when in Year 8. The boys produced creditable and hard fought performances across the day, with two losses and two wins. The two victories came against Axe Valley and King's Ottery, with a narrow defeat against Exeter School and a big loss versus hosts Blundell's. These performances bode really well for next year's Rosslyn Park Rugby 7's visit when they are at U16 level. Well done to the squad: Ben Parsons (Injured), Barnaby Bilton, Joe Blackburn, Jamie Faulkner, Fin Potter, Charlie Roberts, Charlie Sparkes, Matt Wright, Zack Killian, Jacob Lush, Harrison Tarrant, Edwin Choi, Brad Maunder, Abe Alabaidi and Tre Campbell.

U16 Girls Rugby v Exmouth: CVCC 25-10 Exmouth

The U16 girls were outstanding in their victory over Exmouth College. The game was used as a method of recording students for their GCSE and BTEC Sport assessments. The girls were brilliant, putting together a structured performance, and running out comfortable winners. Well done to the squad: Emily Blatchford ©, Lys Board, Dulcie Sanders, Megan White, Shannon McIllroy, Lauren Elliot, Becca Nisbet, Rachel Champion, Jasmine Collins-Board, Lenni Bashford, Faye Beer, Nikita Watkins, Marli Watkins, Rhiannon Seaton, Eloise Blatchford.

U15 Girls @ Exeter and East Devon Festival



The U15 girls took their first step to the National Finals with a perfect six from six record of wins in the area festival at St Peter's on Friday. The girls were excellent and grew in stature and skill throughout the day in atrocious conditions. Perfect handling skills, hard running and tackling were the key, with all 16 players playing their part. Wins over Okehampton, Exmouth, QECC, Tiverton, Uffculme and Cullompton made it the grand-slam for the girls. The top three schools have qualified for the Devon finals at Exeter University on Thursday 22 March, so watch this space!! Well done to the squad: Lauren Elliot ©, Rhiannon Seaton, Jasmine Collins-Board, Rachel Champion, Nikita

Watkins, Marli Watkins, Fay Beer, Becca Nisbett, Rowan Greaves, Lenni Bashford, Natasha Barley, Ellie Bradner, Chloe Harris, Chloe Elliott, Daisy Norris and Eloise Blatchford.

Mr Pearce Teacher of PE



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



RED SCHOOL		
7REW	Reagan Seagrave	
7RTMA	Ruby Worlin	
8RCJ	Leah McDiarmid	
8RCM	Sam Walsh	
9RZB	Anya Turner	
10RAR	Harry Batten	
10RLA	Hannah Hewald	
11RDH	Jack Cromwell	
11RGG	Braden van Wijk	

	YELLOW SCHOOL
7YRB	Archie Maguire
7ҮКНО	Sarah Hooper
8YMBR	Harri Turner
8YJPU	Max Walker
9ҮММ	Tom Sluggett
9YZK	Niamh Walter
10YSP	Mattie Horwell & Harry Quinton
11YNS	Cain Mitchell

	GREEN SCHOOL
7GDJ	Maddie Grabham, Kiera Franklin, Ted Harrison & Ruby Davidson
7GGT	Sophie Elliot, Libby Hallett & Isla Hammond
8GHE	Lucia Taylor & Jack Kingston
8GIM	Henry Walker & Iris van der Giezen
9GAO	India Williams & Danny Probert
9GPE	Leon Mercadel & Ellie Skinner
10GABR	Barnaby Bilton, Brad Maunder, Amy Ogden, Jessie Narramore & Kiera Raynor-Johnson
10GBA	Jude Pearson & Jake Bauer
11GNG	Zac Miles & Georgia Pittham
11GSW	Lily Collins & Ellie Jackson

NON-UNIFORM DAY!!

Non-Uniform Day (Sports Relief) will now take place on 29th March and not 23rd March.





March Marketing

Hi we're Caterlink, your colleges caterer. We have some fantastic offers, promotions, events and deals coming up this month. March is a very busy month! We have International Waffle Day, Time for a Cuppa Week, British Pie Week, St Patrick's Day, St David's Day and your In Season Food Hero is... Leeks!



International Waffle Day

Everyone loves waffles and here at Caterlink we are not surprised why! They can be enjoyed as snacks, breakfast items, sweet, savoury, hot or cold. We plan on thinking outside of the box and serving waffles in fun and varied ways for our students.



Time for a Cuppa Week

Did you know that after water tea is the most widely consumed drink in the world and 84% of the British population drink tea daily! So whether students like afternoon tea, earl grey, english breakfast, iced teas or herbal, we will be serving it up. We will even provide a variety of biscuits to dunk in the perfect cuppa.



British Pie Week

Whether it's savoury or sweet, shortcrust or puff, with a bottom and top or just a top... It's still a pie and we are going to celebrate it! We have plenty of sweet and savoury pie fillings coming this week.



St Patrick's Day

It's all about the Irish theme on this day. From soup stations, main meals to a special green blended juice 'Paddy's Punch', we will be celebrating St Patrick's Day in our colleges and sixth forms.



Food Hero Leeks

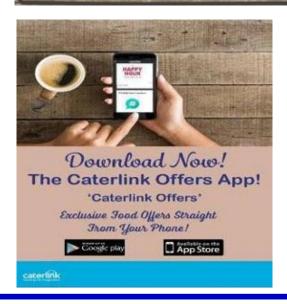
Leeks are versatile, tasty and very good for you. We will be adding leeks into pies, soups, vegetable stir fry's and even cakes. This vegetable will be popping up in many dishes this month and we're sure students will enjoy.



St David's Dav

On St David's Day we will have themed pop ups and food stations that will serve different Welsh themed dishes. Some of which will include: Welsh cakes, Welsh rarebit muffins, pies and cawl.







Lunch Clubs - Monday - Wednesday

Day	Club	Time	Where	Changing	Teacher
				Rooms	
Mon	Music Club - WEEK A & B	Lunchtime	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Mon	Girls Netball - Year 8	Lunchtime	Courts	New Block	Mrs Needs
Mon	Battle of Boat rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
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	Battle of Boat cast rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA3		Miss Williams
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/Mrs Gillespie
Tues	Year 9 Netball	Lunchtime	Courts	New Block	Miss Bennett
Tues	All Years Dance/Weights	Lunchtime	Dance Studio	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	GCSE Drama Support	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Tues	Year 12 Maths	Lunchtime	MA5		Mrs Adie
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	Battle of Boat rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Wed	Drugs & Alcohol Info Drop In	Lunchtime	Opposite Mr Jones Room		Mrs Gillespie
Wed	Battle of Boat orchestra rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA3		Miss Williams
Wed	Year 9 + Above Careers Drop In	Lunchtime	Careers room		Mrs Bennett
Wed	Year 11 Maths Higher	Lunchtime	MA4		Ms Prance/Miss Mann
Wed	Art Club	Lunchtime	AR3		Mrs Walton
Wed	Year 10 & 11 Netball	Lunchtime	Courts	New Block	Miss Shire
Wed	Year 8 & Year 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

Lunch Clubs - Thursday - Friday

Day	Club	Time	Where	Changing	Teacher
				Rooms	
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	Battle of Boat orchestra rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA3		Miss Williams
Thurs	Battle of Boat rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Thurs	Art Club	Lunchtime	AR3		Mrs Pieczenko
Thurs	GCSE Art Club	Lunchtime	AR1		Mr Brooks
Thurs	Year 11 GCSE Food Practical Catch Up - WEEK A/B	Lunchtime	DT3		Mrs Crook
Thurs	Year 13 Maths	Lunchtime	MA8		Miss Barratt
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	Child Development/Health & Social Care Catch Up	Lunchtime	VO2		Mrs Bennett/Ms Chandler
Thurs	Year 7 Netball	Lunchtime	Courts	New Block	Mrs Elliot
Thurs	Film Club	1.40pm	HU5		Ms Matthews
Thurs	Year 7 & 8 B&V	1.45pm	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Fri	Art Club	Lunchtime	AR2		Mrs Wakefield
Fri	Home Learning Study Group	1.30pm to 2.15pm	IT2		Mrs Woolacott
Fri	Battle of Boat orchestra rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA3		Miss Williams
Fri	Battle of Boat rehearsals	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
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 Pearce/Miss Shire/Mrs Elliot
Fri	Year 11 French Revision Sessions	Lunchtime	MF1		Miss McConnachie
Fri	GCSE History Workshop/Revision	Lunchtime	HU7		Mrs Padden
Fri	Year 11 GCSE PE Revision/Catch Up	Lunchtime	PE5		Mr Powell
Fri	Year 7 Football	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett

CALIENDAR DAMES

Wed 21 - Tue 27 Mar	Y10 Mocks
Thur 29 Mar	End of Spring Term—Non-uniform Day
Tues 17 Apr	Start of Summer Term
Fri 20 April	Take Your Child to Work Day
Sat 21 April - Sun 22 April	Ten Tors Overnight 4 - Dartmoor
Tues 24 April	4.30 Y7 Parents' Evening
Thurs 3 May	4.30 Y12 Parents' Evening
Mon 7 May	Bank Holiday
Fri 11 - Sun 13 May	Ten Tors Main Event Weekend - Dartmoor
Mon 28 May - Fri 1 June	Summer Half Term
Sat 9 - Sun 10 June	D of E Bronze Assessed Expedition
Wed 13 June	5.30 Non-feeder Parents' Evening
Wed 27 June	7.00 Y13 Prom
Thurs 28 June - Mon 2 July	Y13 DofE Gold Assessed Expedition - Brecon
Fri 29 June	7.00 Y11 Prom
Mon 9 July	6.00 New Intake Parents' Evening
Tues 10 July	Sports Day
Fri 13 July	Reserve Sports Day
Sun 15 - Wed 18 July	Y8 Bude Residential
Wed 18 July - Fri 20 July	Belgium Residential
Wed 18 July - Sat 21 July	Y12 DofE Gold Practice Expedition - Dartmoor
Fri 20 July	Last day of Summer Term
Wed 5 Sept	First day back for students
Mon 22 Oct - Fri 26 Oct	Autumn Half 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 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 Prunty (01392 463913; pruntyc@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, PE kit and reversible jacket can be purchased 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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