

No. 627 W/c Mon 3 June 2019 will be Week A

THOUGHT OF THE FORTNIGHT 'A nation's culture resides in the hearts and in the soul of its people.' Mahatma Gandhi

Dear Parents/Carers,

Early Lunches

Early lunchtimes at 12.25 continue all week, from 3rd to 7th June inclusive.

The past half-term

It has been a very intense and intensive few weeks. We have prepared our exam candidates thoroughly, supported many students with difficulties, maintained a good extra-curricular programme, and sustained good teaching and routines. It has been very hard work, and I am very proud of all concerned. It would have been even harder work without the fantastic support of parents and carers, so thank you very much!

Year 11's "Last Day"

This went very well, and demonstrated many of the best qualities of Clyst Vale, its staff and students. It's almost compulsory in all secondary schools for the shirt-signing rite of passage; here, it is managed gently and firmly so that it is a massive feature of the Year 11's day but not disruptive. Also, students resisted the temptation to start signing early, and the appearance of the demanding English Literature GCSE exam was pristine. The "ceremony" was very informal, but with some serious messages. It includes a video of the student photos in Year 7 or whenever they joined compared to their latest one. At one level, this provides a good laugh, but at another level demonstrates how far the students have come, and they will remember their own high spots and low, friendships established, and memories of their time at Clyst Vale. We released all the Year 11 tutors to attend, and there were many other colleagues able to wish the students well. We were delighted to welcome back Mrs Corrick, who was a tutor for the year group when they were in Year 7 and 8. Great day, lovely atmosphere, and another demonstration that we really do regard our students as individuals.

Ooh, hoodies. Year 11 were given their leavers' hoodies. They are allowed to wear them to and from school, and around the site, but NOT in exam rooms. For other year groups, this does not mean that the hoody rule has been relaxed; it is a special treat for Year 11 only. (Sometimes I can't believe I'm writing this stuff....)

Summer Term Reminders

College uniform remains the same, please, including proper shoes which cover the toes for obvious safety reasons. Students and parents are responsible for sunblocking creams. Students can go on to the field; equally, there are shaded areas and indoors which are accessible. Students are encouraged to keep water with them, and with the increased concern over environmental awareness and single-use plastic, it is curious that so many students do not bring refillable water bottles.

Mobile phones

This is partly a summer reminder as well. The field counts as part of the College premises, and smartphones or mobile phones are not permitted. If seen, they will be confiscated under our policy. It generally takes a year for a policy change to work through; in the summer weather last year, students will remember having their phones but this has changed. The policy has worked brilliantly all year so far, and there's no reason for this to change.

Attendance and Lateness Reminders

Attendance still remains an Ofsted priority for us and a concern. We have had a spate of requests for termtime holidays, and I'm afraid we will not authorise any of them. Depending on the individual requests, Devon County may issue fixed-penalty fines; if there have been previous holidays in this academic year or last which attracted fines, then these new absences may go to court. There's a big philosophical argument about whether schools should be held accountable for attendance when it's largely a parental responsibility to get their children to school, but we are where we are. If Ofsted consider that our attendance has not improved enough, then we have to demonstrate that we have done everything we can to address the issue; this includes not authorising holiday absence.

Rough Play/ Over-physicality

I am pleased to say that this has calmed down a lot, although there are still occasional outbursts. Once the weather settles into a sunnier pattern, it generally stops.

School Funding

A quick update as to what Devon County Council are doing to support the campaign as we approach the Comprehensive Spending Review. The Deputy Leader and DCC Cabinet member for schools, Cllr James McInnes, has written to the Education Secretary Damian Hinds calling for more money for education. Additionally, in his role as Chair of the f40 Group of the lowest funded authorities, Briefing meetings were held at Westminster last week with MPs representing f40 areas. Devon's Primary and secondary Headteachers Associations in partnership with DCC have written to all Devon MPs requesting a date to meet with headteachers from schools within their constituency, ideally before the end of the summer term.

Devon students are funded at £294 below the national average. For Clyst Vale this represents about quarter of a million pounds a year; we could do quite a lot with that to reduce class sizes, upgrade resources, and provide additional staffing to support SEN and other vulnerable children.

Best wishes for a good half-term week, especially those of you with children in exam years !

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Year 13's Last Day

Last Friday was officially Year 13's last day and to celebrate we had a BBQ, with tutors and lots of their teachers attending to wish them all farewell and good luck. On a personal note, this has been the first year group that I have seen through their Post 16 education here at Clyst Vale, and it has been an absolute pleasure. They are without question the best group of students I have known, and it has been a real privilege to support them through two significant years of their lives. I am certain that all of them have fantastic futures ahead of them and look forward to hearing about their successes. I wish them every luck in the exam season, which has started quite significantly this week, and will be ready to celebrate with them when it's all over at the Post 16 Prom on Thursday 20 June.

Results Day is Thursday 15 August - results will be available from 9:00am and myself and teachers will be there to hopefully celebrate some great results.

Miss C. Haynes Head of Sixth Form

Congratulations Year 13

We would like to congratulate all of 13JP and 13MH who finish at Clyst Vale Post 16 this year. In our many years of teaching we have never encountered a more talented group of students. They have shown artistic, musical, mathematical, and a huge range of other academic passions. As a group they have raised money for charities, led school activities and supported each other through good and bad times. Throughout they have demonstrated an exceptional moral compass and level of empathy that reflects exactly what we would hope all our students at Clyst Vale would grow into. They leave with great prospects and we wish them every success in the future.

Mr J Powell and Mr M Hill - Proud Tutors of 13JP and 13MH





STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



YELLOW SCHOOL

7YNS	Emily Quest
7YMPR	Betsy Speck
8YRB	Katie Williams
8ҮКНО	Adam Wheatcroft
9YMBR	Harri Turner
9YJPU	Adam Champion
10YMM	Evie King

7RGG	Natalie Bishop
7RHCH	Addison Drinkwater
8RHC	Rhys Burtt-Jones
8RTMA	Harry Madams
9RCJ	Emma Gold
9RCM	Robin Wellaway
10RZB	Flossy Voaden & Aidan Potter
11RAR	Harry Batten
11RLA	Harlan Nicholas

RED SCHOOL

Summer Drama Spectacular!



Opportunity to perform in an exciting outdoor drama performance at the end of term. Come along to PA1 on Tuesday 4th June at 12.45 to find out more from Miss Ruscoe

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Day	Club	Time	Where	Changing Room	Teacher
Mon (A & B)	Music Club	1.40pm	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Mon	B&V Bespoke Revision	1.40pm to 2pm	HU2		Miss Brotherton
Mon	All Years – Badminton	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell
Mon	All Years – Athletics	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett/Miss Lewis/ Mr Hammond/Kate Needs
Mon	Home Learning Study Group	Lunchtime	IT1		Mrs Gillespie
Mon	Chess Club	Lunchtime	Library		Miss Cooper
Mon	KS3 Drama Club	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Mon	Week A – ANIME Club	Lunchtime	Library		Miss Cooper
Mon	Year 9, 10 & 11 Weights	Lunchtime	Dance Studio	New Block	Mr Pearce
Tues	B&V Bespoke Revision	1.40pm to 2pm	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Tues	Year 11 Maths	1.40pm to 2pm	Maths Rooms		All Maths except Dr Turl
Tues	Year 11 Top Set Maths	Lunchtime	MA5		Mrs Adie
Tues	Week A – Assembly/Concert/ Homework Help	Lunchtime	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Tues (A)	Year 10/11 Food Practical	Lunchtime	DT3		Mrs Crook
Tues (B)	Year 11 Revision		IT4		
Tues	Amnesty	Lunchtime	EN7		Miss Watt/Mrs Gillespie
Tues	Home Learning Study Group	Lunchtime	IT1		Mrs Manaton
Tues	Year 11 History Revision	Lunchtime	HU5		Mrs Padden
Tues	GCSE Drama Support	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Tues	Year 9, 10 & 11 Basketball	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Everett
Tues	All Years Dance	Lunchtime	Studio	New Block	Mrs Elliot
Tues	Gardening Club	1.30pm	By The Green- house		Mrs Morgan
Tues	Year 7, 8 & 9 Cricket	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Pearce/Mr Hammond
Tues	All Years Tennis	Lunchtime	Courts	New Block	Mrs Woolacott
Wed	Year 11 French GCSE Revision	Lunchtime	MF1		Miss McConnachie
Wed	Yu Gi Oh	Lunchtime	SC8		Mr Moxey
Wed	B&V Drop In Support	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Wed	Home Learning Study Group	Lunchtime	IT1		Mrs Woolacott
Wed	Week A – General Music Club	Lunchtime	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
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 5-a-side	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell & Mr Brooks

LUNCH CLUBS SPRING TERM continued

Wed	All Years Athletics	Lunchtime	Field	New Block	Mr Everett/Mr Ham- mond/Mrs Broomfield
Wed	KS3 Art Club	Lunchtime	AR2		Mrs Walton
Wed	Week A – Attenborough's Army	1.35pm	HU5		Miss Matthews
Wed	Year 11 Spanish Revision	Lunchtime	MF4		Ms Emmett
Thurs	Week B - Attenborough's Army	1.35pm	HU5		Miss Matthews
Thurs	Year 11 Maths	1.40pm to 2pm	MA1		Dr Turl
Thurs	Hula Hoop	Lunchtime	Dance Stu- dio		Mrs Gillespie
Thurs	Year 10 & 11 Catch Up	Lunchtime	PE5		Mrs Broomfield
Thurs	Various Inter-tutor	Lunchtime	Various	Various	Mr Pearce/Mr Everett/ Mr Powell/Mrs Elliot/Mrs Broomfield/Mr Ham- mond/Miss Lewis
Thurs (A)	Year 11 Revision	Lunchtime	IT4		Mrs Crook
Thurs (B)	Year 10 Food Practical		DT3		
Thurs	Home Learning Study Group	Lunchtime	IT1		Mrs Woolacott
Thurs	KS4 Art Club	Lunchtime	AR1		Mr Brooks
Fri	Home Learning Study Group	Lunchtime	IT1		Mrs Woolacott
Fri	KS4 Photography Club	Lunchtime	AR3		Mrs Wakefield
Fri	Food Tech - Drop In Home- work	1.40pm to 2.10pm	DT4		Mrs Routledge
Fri	GCSE Dance	Lunchtime	Dance Stu- dio		Mrs Elliot
Fri	Week A – Assembly/Concert/ Homework Help	Lunchtime	PA2		Mrs Sprenkel
Fri	Year 11 Indoor 5-a-side	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell
Fri	Various Inter-tutor	Lunchtime	Various	Various	Mr Pearce/Mr Everett/ Mr Powell/Mrs Elliot/Mrs Broomfield/Mr Ham- mond/Miss Lewis

<u>Year 10 Buddhism Revision</u> <u>Friday 1.30pm in HU2</u>

Date	Topic
7/6	Four Sight/ Ascetic life/ Enlightenment
14/6	Dependent arising/ 3 Marks of Existence
21/6	4 Noble Truths/ Eightfold Path/ Karma/ <u>Karuna</u> / <u>Metta</u>
28/6	5 Precepts/ 6 Perfections
5/7	Worship/ Meditation/ Theravada & Mahayana Buddhism
12/7	Death/ Festivals



Library Opening Hours

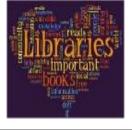
The library is open from 8.45am - 3.45pm on Mon, Wed & Fri.

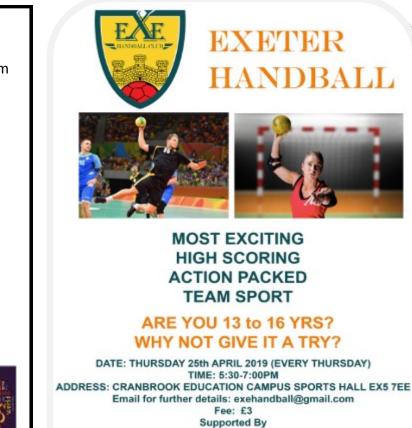
PLEASE NOTE: The library will be closed every Tues and Thurs

The library is open to the public on:

- Mon & Wed - 3.30pm - 5.30pm

- Thurs 4.00pm - 6.00pm





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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 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

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



Ski Italia





If your child is interested in being part of the next Ski Trip in 2021, they need to collect a letter from Dr Turl or Mrs Elliot.

Pila is an excellent beginner resort with over 70km of pistes, offering high-altitude snow-sure skiing for everyone, from complete beginners to those who have skied at a high level. The price will be £1029.00 which includes the following:

- Travel, from Clyst Vale to resort, and return journey (luxury 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
- Clyst Vale ski hooded sweatshirt

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



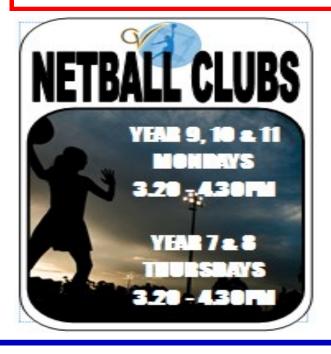
CALENDAR DATES

SUMMER TERM 2019	
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

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.
- 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 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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