



"We realise the importance of our voices only when we are silenced".

- Malala Yousafzai

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Exeter Food Bank**

This year, more than ever, Exeter Food Bank is in need of donations. Under the Convention of the Rights of the Child, Articles 24 refer to food and 27 to an adequate standard of living. To make a small contribution to this, we have chosen to just collect tins of food this year. Please see the poster for suggested tins but please note, they really don't need any more baked beans! It would be absolutely wonderful if you could add just one tin to your shopping trolley for your child to bring in on or before 9th December. This date is significant because it's the closest weekday to Human Rights Day on 10th December, the anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Thank you for your support. (And thank you to Ms Morgan, who is coordinating all this!)

### Year 11 Exams

These have gone very well indeed, so far. Year 11 students themselves have shown a very good attitude and have observed the exam room regulations properly and respectfully. The rest of the students have also been sensible and respectful (and quiet) near the exam rooms. In fact, the only significant negative is that very large numbers of Year 11 students were not properly equipped for their Maths exams (compass, protractor, 30cm ruler in particular); this caused problems and delays and needs to improve considerably in future. Younger students sometimes wonder why teachers go on about remembering your equipment for school – well, this is why.

#### **Sixth Form News**

And some very good news, too. We have four Year 13 students who have secured interviews at Oxford or Cambridge universities: Alex Cox at Merton College, Oxford to study Chemistry; Adam Large at Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge to study Natural Sciences; Jack Kingston at Balliol College, Oxford to study History; and Robin Wellaway at Exeter College, Oxford. Getting an interview is quite an achievement in itself, and we wish them every success !

Our Sixth Formers love dressing up, and their latest venture will be a Christmas Jumper Day on 8th December in aid of Save the Children, spearheaded as usual by Mrs Padden!

### **Lost Property**

If your child has lost any items of clothing or equipment, or think they have, please can you ensure that they have checked Lost Property (now located outside the ATHOS's Rooms) before Tuesday 13th December. All unclaimed Lost Property will be donated to Charity or to the second-hand uniform stock.

### **Staff Changes**

This week we welcome Sophie Halmee as our Careers Coordinator. You will see below that she is already in the thick of it....

#### Employability Week - can you help us?

We are looking for volunteers to come in and speak about their careers to students during the week of 16th January. Employability Week is designed to raise awareness of jobs and career routes for students in Years 7 - 9. Do you have an interesting job or career story and are willing to come in and speak to our students? We are looking for people from a wide variety of employment sectors. You would need to be able to speak to a group of students for 15 minutes and repeat this process giving up an hour or two of your time. Please contact our careers coordinator Sophie Halmee if you are able to help out:

halmees@clystvale.org

#### **Realistic Expectations of My Colleagues**

This is a bit like a blanket telling-off in assembly, so please understand that I am addressing a minority of parents. I appreciate that times are really tough, and some families are under great strain and pressure, and that it is possible that parents might have quite an emotional reaction to something that's happened at school. However, there has been a noticeable increase in parents turning up in Reception demanding to see someone and then being angry with the Receptionist because no-one is immediately available for very genuine reasons. For example, a Head of School teaches for more hours than they are being Head of School; all of my senior colleagues and I teach; there are statutory meetings for individual children from which my colleagues cannot just walk out. Similarly with e-mail; very few colleagues sit at their computers for any length of time, at least those who are student-facing, so there can be delays with e-mail replies. If something is urgent, it really is better to phone in. We are an extremely busy organisation, like many places suffering staff absences, but we know we're responsible for your children and we will always do our best to respond. Thank you.

### Attendance

Thank you very much for everything you are doing as parents or carers to make sure your child is attending school, and for letting us know when they are ill. Attendance tends to dip nationally around this time of year, and we're seeing that as well with flu, covid and norovirus still doing the rounds. Attendance in Years 7, 9 and 10 since the start of term is above the national average, and Year 8 slightly below. However, attendance in Year 11 is much lower than national to the extent that the whole College figure is below national. Even though the figures include three students who are on roll but unable to attend for health reasons, it is a worry because Year 11 is such an important year. So, obviously we don't want infectious students in school spluttering over each other, but anything parents can do to encourage better attendance is appreciated; and of course please contact us if there's anything we can do.

Library Update (from Mrs Crawford......)

### Celebrate Reading at our Half Price Book Fair!

The Book Fair will be arriving in the school library next week (Monday 5th – Friday 9th December), with hundreds of new books for students to browse and buy. There are over 200 titles for students to choose from, and with prices starting from only £1.50, there's sure to be a book for everyone. Please see the poster further in this newsletter for details on how your students can pay for their books. Don't forget that every book you buy can help to get FREE BOOKS for our school library!

It's good to see increasing student involvement in the Library. As well as all those who use it, there is a pool of 22 student librarians and 4 students who are completing the volunteering element of the Duke of Edinburgh Award.

During Diversity Fortnight, special displays of relevant books were created, and music played from a variety of different cultures.

### East Devon Local Plan Consultation

I have been asked by East Devon District Council to publicise their consultation on the Local Plan, which will shape the local area to 2040; happy to do so !

The Local Plan sets out how the District Council intends to meet housing targets and deliver new jobs, whilst addressing the climate emergency, supporting town centres, and protecting built heritage and the natural environment. A key element is proposals for a new town in the western side of the district. The consultation can be viewed at public libraries, or at EDDC Council offices (by appointment) and online at: https://www.eastdevon.gov.uk/local-plan

You can also find out more and talk to a Planning Officer at an exhibition near you:

Ottery St Mary The Institute Wed 30 Nov 3pm to 7pm

Clyst St Mary Village Hall Fri 2 Dec 2pm to 6pm

Sidmouth Kennaway Tue 6 Dec 3pm to 7pm

Honiton Beehive Wed 7 Dec 3pm to 7pm

Exmouth Ocean Thu 8 Dec 3pm to 7pm

Feniton Youth Centre Tue 13 Dec 3pm to 7pm

All comments must be received by end of 15th January 2023.

### **Traffic News**

Please note that South-West Water are doing some work to one of the cottages directly opposite the College's Coach Park. This will be from Thurs 8th to Mon 12th. We have been advised that there will be a "give and take" traffic control, and that the road will narrow to a single lane (no change there, then). I hope I'm wrong, but I suspect there might be trouble ahead. It will certainly not be possible to make a quick pick-up at the end of the day, there will be some additional parking pressures, and I recommend picking up students a short walk from the College or a few minutes later than usual (if possible). But not in Tower View (see previous Newsletters....)

Stagecoach service to Exeter after-school. Twice this week some colleagues and I have walked forty or so students to the Dog Village bus stop because of the non-arrival of a bus on site. On both occasions this meant waiting until 4pm. If you're happy with this, that's fine. I'm not. There are 11 year old children who are worried that they won't get home, or when they will get home. Parents expect their children to board the bus safely in school, not walk down a narrow road. Please contact Stagecoach with your concerns. I could go on about the prices, or the app being unreliable, but I'm most concerned about student welfare and safety. (In the interests of fairness, the Tiverton service has been excellent this week).

Best wishes,

**Kevin Bawn** 





## **STUDENTS OF THE WEEK**

## **RED SCHOOL**

| 7RDF   | Finlay Dudley  |
|--------|----------------|
| 7RTM   | Summer Selway  |
| 8RBAT  | Ellis Williams |
| 8RHSP  | Ted Cornish    |
| 9RSGA  | -              |
| 9RZB   | George Russell |
| 10RA0  | -              |
| 10RMAH | -              |
| 11RER  | Sonny Smith    |
| 11RGG  | -              |

## YELLOW SCHOOL

| Beatrice Marshall             |
|-------------------------------|
| Joshua Stevens                |
| Freddie Glover                |
| Alex Boyce                    |
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| Freya Bayley                  |
| Keira Woodman                 |
| Daisy Backway                 |
| Grace Jeffery                 |
| Lexie Pym                     |
|                               |

## **GREEN SCHOOL**

| 7GLT  | -                |
|-------|------------------|
| 7GMN  | Jessica Woodger  |
| 8GCMC | Corey Maynard    |
| 8GIM  | Jacob Newell     |
| 9GABr | Lexi Green       |
| 9GDH  | Charlie King     |
| 10GAW | Otto Moxey-White |
| 10GBA | Rhys Smith       |
| 11GHE | Killian Haylock  |
|       |                  |

## CALIPINIDAR DATES

| DATE                                     | EVENT   |
|--|---|
|  |   |
| Mon 28th November to Weds 7th December   | Year 11 Mock Exams                                |
| Monday 5th to Friday 9th December        | CVCC Library Book Fair— further details to follow |
| Thursday 8th December                    | Flu Vaccinations Y7, Y8, Y9                       |
| Thursday 8th December                    | Y13 Parents Evening (4.30-6.30pm)                 |
| Thursday 8th December                    | Y11 Geography Field work—Bristol                  |
| Friday 9th Dec to Sunday 11th December   | Ten Tors Weekend                                  |
| Monday 12th December                     | Y11 Geography Field work—Bristol                  |
| Tuesday 13th December 6pm                | Christmas Carol Concert @ Broadclyst Church       |
| Wednesday 14th December                  | Plymouth Inequalities 2021 Trip—Post 16 Geog.     |
| Friday 16th December                     | LAST DAY OF AUTUMN TERM (Note Early finish 2pm)   |
| Thursday 5th January 2023                | FIRST DAY OF SPRING TERM                          |
| Monday 9th January                       | Fourth Monkey Theatre Company                     |
| Monday 13th to Friday 17th February 2023 | HALF TERM   |
| Monday 3rd April to Monday 17th April    | EASTER HOLIDAY                                    |
| Friday 21st July 2023                    | LAST DAY OF SUMMER TERM (Note Early finish 2pm)   |



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



## Mon 5<sup>th</sup> – Fri 9<sup>th</sup> December in the **Library**

## How do I pay for books at the Book Fair?

Cash

Students can pay for books with cash. All books are half price and will start at £1.50

• Online

You can use the online payment system to pay for your child's books up to 4pm on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December. Go to www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/pay

## Gift Vouchers

No need for cash or card payments with our **Book Fair Gift Vouchers**. Gift vouchers are the simple, secure way to ensure your child gets the books they want. You can pre-buy book fair vouchers online which can be used to pay for the books at the Fair. Go to www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/gift-vouchers

My child has come home with a Wish List, how do I use this?

Wish Lists are designed to allow your child to make a note of the books they would like to purchase from the Book Fair. You can then pay for these books using the online payment system (see above). The Wish List is not an order form and **must be returned to the school library** so the Library Manager can distribute the chosen books.



We had a French theme in cookery club last week and made a very French dish called a 'Croque Monsieur'.

We learned a little bit about the name Croque Monsieur and used our knowledge of languages to understand the ingredients of the dish.

They were 'banging' according to one of our group members!

Well done to you all —Miss Collins











Are you interested in making some fun and interesting dishes, desserts and treats? Are you creative and enjoy cooking and baking?



Email : <u>ecollins@clystvale.org</u> if you are interested. Limited numbers. First come, first serve. Available to year 7s for the term after Christmas. Let me know by 16th Dec. at the latest.

Every Thursday after school 3:30 –4:30/5pm in DT3

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## **Tuesday 13th December.**

All unclaimed Lost Property will be donated to Charity.

Thank you.

Sharon Down Resources Assistant





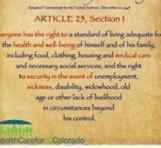
Children's Rights - Article 24

Every child has the right to good health, including health care, clean drinking water and nutritious food.









## LUNCH CLUBS

| Day       | Club   | Time             | Where        | Changing Room    | Teacher                              |
|-----------|--|------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Monday    | Film Club – commencing 3 <sup>rd</sup> October | Lunchtime        | HU6          |                  | Miss Matthews                        |
| Monday    | Yr 7/8/9 Tech Club                             | Lunchtime        | DT1          |                  | Mr Arthur                            |
| Monday    | Chess Club                                     | Lunchtime        | Library      |                  | Mrs Crawford                         |
| Monday    | Yr 9-13- Badminton                             | Lunchtime        | Sports Hall  | Sports Hali      | Mr Powell                            |
| Monday    | Yr 10-13 - Weights                             | Lunchtime        | Dance Studio | Humanities Block | Mr Pearce                            |
| Tuesday   | Trailblazers                                   | Lunchtime        | HU7          | 9<br>19          | Miss Nash                            |
| Tuesday   | Ten Tors/DofE – commencing after<br>Hal Term   | 1.30pm to 2.10pm | MA8          |                  | Miss Barratt/Mr Eales                |
| Tuesday   | KS4/KS5 Work Experience & Careers<br>Drop In   | Lunchtime        | Careers Base |                  | Miss Bennett                         |
| Tuesday   | Yr 10/11 - Lacrosse                            | Lunchtime        | Top Field    | Humanities Block | Miss Hall                            |
| Tuesday   | Yr 7-9 - Girls Football                        | Lunchtime        | Top Field    | Humanities Block | Mr Stapleton                         |
| Tuesday   | Yr 10/11 - Btec Dance                          | Lunchtime        | Dance Studio | Dance Studio     | Mrs Elliot                           |
| Tuesday   | Week B – Yr 7/8/9 - Science Club               | Lunchtime        | SC4          |                  | Dr Odunlade/Mrs<br>Spencer/Mr Ferret |
| Tuesday   | GCSE Art & Photography Catch-Up                | Lunchtime        | AR2/IT4      |                  | Mrs Walton                           |
| Wednesday | Week B - LGBTQ+ Group                          | Lunchtime        | HU4          |                  | Mr Zimbler                           |
| Wednesday | Week A – Eco Committee                         | Lunchtime        | HU4          |                  | Mr Zimbler                           |
| Wednesday | Yr 11 Theory Catch Up                          | Lunchtime        | DT3          |                  | Mrs Crook                            |
| Wednesday | <u>ዧ</u> 7/8 - Badminton                       | Lunchtime        | Sports Hall  | Sports Hall      | Mr Powell/Michael<br>Rothery         |
| Wednesday | Yr 7-9 - Dance                                 | Lunchtime        | Dance Studio | Humanities Block | Miss Hall                            |
| Wednesday | Yr 8/9 - Netball                               | Lunchtime        | Courts       | Humanities Block | Mrs Elliot                           |
| Thursday  | History Club                                   | Lunchtime        | HU7          |                  | Miss Nash                            |
| Thursday  | Yr 7-9 Games Club                              | 1.30pm to 2.00pm | HU6          |                  | Miss Jenkins                         |
| Thursday  | Week A – Yr 10/11 Practical Catch UP           | Lunchtime        | DT3          | 69<br>10         | Mrs Crook                            |
| Thursday  | Week B – Yr 1/11 Practical Catch Up            | Lunchtime        | DT3          |                  | Mrs Crook                            |
| Thursday  | Hooks & Books                                  | Lunchtime        | Library      |                  | Mrs Crawford                         |
| Thursday  | Yr 11 – Indoor Feetball                        | Lunchtime        | Sports Hall  | Sports Hall      | Mr Stapleton                         |
| Thursday  | <u>Yr</u> 10/11 – Dance                        | Lunchtime        | Dance Studio | Dance Studio     | Mrs Elliot                           |
| Thursday  | Yr 7-9 - Boys/Girls Rugby                      | Lunchtime        | Field        | Humanities Block | Mr Pearce                            |
| Thursday  | Yu Gi Oh! Club                                 | Lunchtime        | SC3          |                  | Mr Moxey                             |
| Friday    | Inter-Tutor                                    | Lunchtime        | Various      | Various          | Mr Stapleton/Miss<br>Hall/Mrs        |

| Thurs  |                                 |           | Validus     | Various     | Hall/Mrs<br>Broomfield/Mr<br>Pearce/Mrs Elliot |
|--------|---------------------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|--|
| Friday | Post 16 - Indoor Football       | Lunchtime | Sports Hall | Sports Hell | Mr Powell                                      |
| Friday | Week B – Yr 9/10 – Science Club | Lunchtime | SC2         |             | Dr Odunlade/Mrs<br>Spencer/Mr Ferrett          |
| Friday | Drama Club                      | Lunchtime | PA1         |             | Miss Ruscoe                                    |

Colour Coding - relates to DofE - Physical = Red, Volunteering = Yellow, Skill = Blue

**Current Vacancies @ CVCC:** 

**Finance Apprentice** 

More information can be found on our website

Vacancies – CVCC (clystvale.org)





East Devon District Council is seeking views on its plans for the future of East Devon up to 2040.

The Local Plan is the key document in determining what development will go where, and it is vital that the District Council hears what people think to inform the final proposals.

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Tue 29 Nov

Wed 30 Nov

Thu 1 Dec

Fri 2 Dec

Tue 6 Dec

Thu 15 Dec

- Whimple Victory Hall
- Ottery St Mary The Institute
- Axminster Guildhall
- Clyst St Mary Village Hall
- Sidmouth Kennaway
- Honiton Beehive Wed 7 Dec 3pm
- Exmouth Ocean Thu 8 Dec 3pm to 7
- Feniton Youth Centre Tue 13 Dec 3pm to
- Seaton Gateway

4.30pm to 8.30pm

3pm to 7pm 3pm to 7pm 2pm to 6pm 3pm to 7pm 3pm to 7pm 3pm to 7pm 3pm to 7pm 3pm to 7pm



The Local plan is also available to view at public libraries, or at EDDC Council offices (by appointment). Phone: 01395 571533.

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# CHRISTMAS FAIR

PINHOE

**Saturday 3rd December** 

America Hall, Pinhoe 1030 - 3pm

## Festive Refreshments, Light lunches Craft & gift Stalls Raffle

**Contact pinhoecommunityhubpublicity@gmail.com** 

Fundraising event for Pinhoe Community Hub Registered Charity number 1182544



UK Health Security Agency

# Should I keep my child off school?

## Yes

|   | Until  |
|---|--|
| Chickenpox  | at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over  |
| Diarrhoea and Vomiting                            | 48 hours after their last episode  |
| Cold and Flu-like illness<br>(including COVID-19) | they no longer have a high temperature and<br>feel well enough to attend. Follow the national<br>guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19. |
| Impetigo  | their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours<br>after they started antibiotics   |
| Measles   | 4 days after the rash first appeared   |
| Mumps   | 5 days after the swelling started  |
| Scabies   | they've had their first treatment  |
| Scarlet Fever                                     | 24 hours after they started taking antibiotics   |
| Whooping Cough                                    | 48 hours after they started taking antibiotics   |

## No

## but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

| Hand, foot and mouth | Glandular fever |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| Head lice            | Tonsillitis     |
| Threadworms          | Slapped cheek   |



## Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit https://grco.de/minfec.

## Attendance, Absence and Requests for Absence

Please let the College know of any absence on the first day it occurs. If the absence continues beyond the first day, please contact the College on each subsequent day of absence, too. To comply with safeguarding obligations, we cannot simply assume a student's sickness absence is ongoing; we need to be certain that the reason for absence is due to continuing illness.

If you do not notify the College, then we will make contact with you to identify the reason for absence. This is important as it helps 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.

## **Medical Appointments**

We encourage students to maximise their levels of attendance; research indicates a direct link between attendance and examination performance. The timing of many medical appointments means that often students can attend school first, and return afterwards. By doing so, students minimise missed learning whilst keeping their attendance levels as high as possible. Therefore, we ask that parents/carers send their child into school for morning registration, even when a medical appointment takes place in the middle of the morning. Similarly, appointments scheduled for the afternoon should, where possible, be arranged after Period 4 - during lunchtime. Students are encouraged to return to school after a lunchtime appointment, if they can.

Thank you for your support in helping your child maximise their attendance and learning.

## For Years 7 - 11 Absences

Please ring: Sharon Leaman/Racheal Long (Attendance Officers) Direct line: 01392 463911 Email: studentabsence@clystvale.org

## For Year 12 - 13 Absences

Please ring Sue Voysey—Assistant to Head of Post 16 Direct line: 01392 462697 Email: voyseys@clystvale.org Copying in Head of Sixth Form: haynesc@clystvale.org

### 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).
- Skirts Blue Tartan and knee length
- 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.
- 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.

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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