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2022

'We may have different religions, different languages, different coloured skin, but we all belong to one human race.'

- Kofi Annan

Dear Parents/Carers,

GCSE Celebration Evening

What a brilliant evening! If you're reading this, and were there, thank you for being part of a wonderful and fitting evening in which our highest-achieving Year Group celebrated our bestattended and arguably most positive evening. Guest of honour David Hill gave an inspiring and pertinent speech about the importance of maintaining a positive mindset, persevering through failures and knockbacks, and surrounding yourself with the right people. Students received their GCSE and other certificates, and the students who made the highest achievement and the greatest progress in each subject received a further certificate and a voucher! The award for the highest overall achievement was awarded to Fraser Brown, and for the greatest overall progress to Grace Taylor.

The Year 11 Class of 2022 did themselves and Clyst Vale proud. They suffered two lockdowns, long periods of uncertainty about whether the exams would go ahead, even did extra mock exams in case they didn't, had the additional pressure of being the first students to sit exams for 3 years. As I said at the evening, "Year 11" was 186 individuals, who each had their individual journeys and challenges, some of them really difficult. More students than pre-pandemic battled through anxiety and other mental health issues; some struggled with illness and long covid. So, against one of the most challenging backgrounds in memory, our students achieved amazing individual results and our best-ever overall results. But it's more than that – as a whole, this year group was full of talented, hard-working, friendly and likeable young people who contributed so much to College life. They are a tremendous example to the years following them of what hard work, staying positive, and supporting each other can achieve.

I refrained from using The Tripod analogy in my speech, but it came out with a vengeance in the post presentation conversations. Many, many parents and students thanked me and wanted me to pass on their thanks to my colleagues who have taught and supported them so well over the years. But that's just one leg of the tripod. The students actually do the work, suffer the emotions, sit the exams. And the support of parents and carers is the essential third leg which gives the tripod its stability. What was most pleasing to me was that so many parents appreciated the values and ethos of Clyst Vale, and have been delighted that their children spent their secondary education here.

Thank you to my colleagues who attended, and especially to Mrs Kilby, Mrs Bugbee and Mrs Long who organised and coordinated the evening so smoothly and successfully.

Carol Concert

Mentioning positive and successful evenings, pencil in Tuesday 13th December, 7.00 p.m., Broadclyst Parish Church. It's another highlight of the Clyst Vale year, and my colleagues in Performing Arts are busy organising and rehearsing the students.

Diversity Fortnight

Diversity fortnight concluded today, after two weeks of considering other cultures and respect for difference through tutorials, lessons and assemblies. Events like this are an important element of our status as a Rights Respecting School, but more than that promote essential values which contribute to a better school and society.

There is learning in everything. Yesterday's cake sale was a big success and raised £163.97 for Refugee Support Devon. Students helping her will have learned from Miss Watt's committed leadership and organisation, and learned that she can make an excellent Scottish tablet cake. We all learned how generous our students, parents and members of staff are: there was a lot of cake donated! Perhaps the best thing was learning about the cakes from different cultures. Our Youth Cultural Champions group were amazing, and made some superb cakes- particularly the Jamaica cake. Anne (student) made two Hungarian cakes – snowballs and apple and cinnamon. 6^{th} form students, as usual, came to the rescue and helped me out. Special thanks to Annelise, Esther and Jamie, and many Sixth Form students were fabulous and gave up their break and lunchtime to help.

Year 11 Exams are next week!

Good luck to Year 11! These exams are important as an indicator of where students are academically, and provide "exam practice" in terms of the organisation, experience and emotions. Students must attend the normal timetabled lessons when not in exams. Students are not expected to go to morning registration if they have an exam; they must go if they do not have an exam; all students must go to afternoon registration.

I ran through the regulations earlier this term. Most are the same as in the summer: black pens, clear pencil case, no labels on water bottles, absolutely no phones or internet-enabled devices, no watches of any description, no calculator backs, no sweets unless medical and also in clear plastic (you can write loads on the back of a polo wrapper). Unlike in the summer, in the Hall students will be allowed to bring bags and put them at their feet, to avoid the crowding in the changing rooms. Students will be allowed to wear coats in the Hall (there's no need in other exam rooms), because the Hall is cold and will be ventilated.

If you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact us. If it is a subject concern, please contact your child's teacher. If it is a welfare/well-being issue, please contact your child's tutor or AtHoS. If an exam-related enquiry, please e-mail exams@clystvale.org

The Year 11 exams affect the whole College to some extent, although less than during the summer. Students in other years are expected to be quiet near the exams areas of the Hall, Additional Support, Hearing Support, and Meeting Room 1, especially during lesson changeovers.

Finance Assistant Apprenticeship

We are offering a 2 year Finance Assistant Apprenticeship with a permanent position on successful completion of the 2 year programme. If you know anyone who is looking to change career or has just left school/college this may be the ideal position for them.

The starting salary is £19106 for 37.5 hours per week over 42 weeks per year. If you would like further details, please contact wellsi@clystvale.org

Uniform costs, PE kit and value for money

From January, there is an expectation that schools will take steps to try to lower uniform costs. In September, we worked out how much a typical CVCC uniform and PE kit cost from scratch. Clearly, there is variety, and the uniform includes just one jumper, skirt or pair of trousers. It takes no account of teenage growth spurts and the need to replace clown trousers every few months. Anyway, before inflation kicked in, it's about £170-180 for uniform and around £140 for PE kit (again, depending which options are chosen). This is a little below national average costs, one reason that we don't have blazers which can add another £40 or more (despite the urban myth which circulates now and again, there never was any plan to introduce blazers, and there is even less of a plan now).

Anyway, I often talk to students about uniform and PE kit, and the Student Board (Council, as was) is hoping to arrange a meeting with our main suppliers in the Spring Term. So I am inviting parental comment about uniform as well, especially related to cost, durability and value for money. To be clear, this is not a consultation on the uniform itself; there are no plans to change expectations, and if we did that would cause yet more expense for parents. Please e-mail comments to my PA Chris Faulkner on faulknerc@clystvale.org, who will collate them.

Thank you as always for your support,

Best wishes,

Kevin Bawn

Principal



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



	RED SCHOOL
7RDF	William Vanstone
7RTM	Joseph Carpenter
8RBAT	Blair Wills
8RHSP	Marlon Dray
9RSGA	Chloe Down
9RZB	Kaine Abbott
10RAO	Gracie Jones
10RMAH	Finley Buckley
11RER	Kaleb Harris
11RGG	Millie Burns

	YELLOW SCHOOL		
7YBH	No permission to print name		
7YGG	Noah Keatley		
8YMBR	Ameera Choudbury		
8YTZI	Grace Alexander		
9YPNE	Rhys Williams		
9YSS	Sunny Johnson		
10YDST	Rose Lovemore		
10YSP	Will Crispin		
11YMPR	Nicholas Gawler-Collins		
11YNS	Charlie Radford		

GREEN SCHOOL		
7GLT	-	
7GMN	Tabi Hall	
8GCMC	-	
8GIM	Oscar Trevelyan	
9GABr	No permission to publish name	
9GDH	-	
10GGT	No permission to publish name	
11GHE	-	
11GSW	No permission to publish name	

CALIBRIDAR DATES

DATE	EVENT
Saturday 26th November	Ten Tors Walk 2
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.

LUNCH CLUBS

Day	Club	Time	Where	Changing Room	Teacher
Monday	Film Club – commencing 3 rd October	Lunchtime	HU6	3	Miss Matthews
Monday	Yr 7/8/9 Tech Club	Lunchtime	DT1		Mr Arthur
Monday	Chess Club	Lunchtime	Library		Mrs Crawford
Monday	Vr 9-13- Badminton	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell
Monday	<u>Yr</u> 10-13 - Weights	Lunchtime	Dance Studio	Humanities Block	Mr Pearce
Tuesday	Trailblazers	Lunchtime	HU7		Miss Nash
Tuesday	Ten Tors/DofE – commencing after Hal Term	1.30pm to 2.10pm	MA8		Miss Barratt/Mr Eale
Tuesday	KS4/KS5 Work Experience & Careers Drop In	Lunchtime	Careers Base		Miss Bennett
Tuesday	<u>Yr</u> 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 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	Yr 7/8 - Badminton	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell/Michael 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	0	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 Football	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 Hall/Mrs Broomfield/Mr Pearce/Mrs Elliot
Friday	Post 16 – Indoor Football	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell
Friday	Week B – Yr 9/10 – Science Club	Lunchtime	SC2		Dr Odunlade/Mrs Spencer/Mr Ferrett
Friday	Drama Club	Lunchtime	PA1		Miss Ruscoe

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

Calling all Human Rights Defenders.

Calling anyone interested in standing up for those who have suffered injustice.

Calling anyone interested in promoting human rights for all.

JOIN AMNESTY CLUB





KS4 &KS5 Tuesdays: Week A EN7 1.30pmbring your lunch KS3 Tuesdays: Week B EN7 1.30pm- bring your lunch













We got in the festive spirit last week and made some decorative and tasty mince pies, using our own shortcrust pastry.

Cooking Club









Cross Country

Thursday saw the second round of the county cross country at Blundell's School where 4 Clyst Vale students had qualified to represent Exeter.

Unfortunately the weather was terrible and with no cover competitors cowered where they could find a space. The course also suffered with lots of mud, flooded sections and a treacherous muddy bank to climb.

First up was Ruthie in the Y7 competition. The track was at least a little more grassy at this stage and Ruthie ran well in the wind and rain to finish mid field.

Next up was Noah who now faced a deteriorating track. Again Noah ran strongly against the other runners and surged up the bank that now had a stream running down the middle. Noah also managed a middle of the field finish and should feel pleased with his efforts.

Willow appeared from what little shelter there was next and showed effortless pace as she made the lower section of the course look easy. After the bank and upper section she dropped a little but was well placed if just outside qualification for the next round.

Finally Jasper stepped into the mud and water to start the older boys race. He held second place for most of the run, his power pushing him through the mush and up the bank. A slight miscalculation led to him dropping places near the end, although a final sprint landed him with an excellent 4th place.

Amazing effort from all the students who braved the conditions and provided their parents with at least a basket full of washing to look forward to.

Mr J Powell Head of PE



U13 Girls Football Utilita Cup Thursday 24th November 2022 Exwick Sports Hub

A wet and windy day saw Clystvale hoping to better their performance from the previous year in the EFL Utilita Cup. The cup involved 11 teams in the Exeter area playing in a round robin 6 a side tournament, with the winner representing the school and Exeter City in the next round.

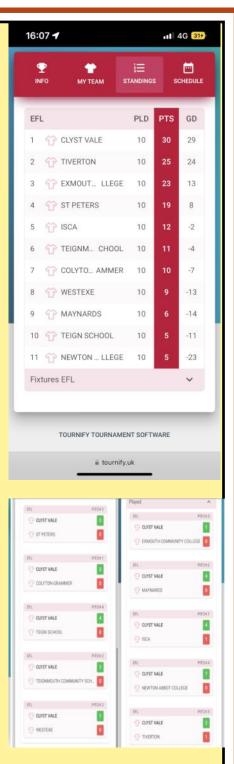
Clystvale took a squad of 8 including 3 Year 7's who would be experiencing the cup for the first time.

The squad included: Grace Alexander, Ameera Choudary, Kate Dearden-Watts, Zoe Troop, Sophia Blum, Sophia Tagg, Sophie Woods and Daisy Hopper.

The girls played 10 games across the day and winning ALL TEN! Beating all the other schools in the competition to put themselves top of the table. They scored 31 goals and only conceded 2 goals all day which is superb from the team. Grace scoring 12, Daisy 8, Sophia.T 5, Ameera 2, Zoe 2, Sophia B 1 and an own goal showing that goals were scored across the team. The highlight game of the day was finally after 3 attempts, beating Tiverton 2-1. With a thunderbolt of a strike from Ameera to win the game for Clystvale. The scores of the other games can be seen in the picture below.

Grace led the team superbly with her close dribbling and accurate shooting, Daisy and Sophia T added their precision finishing and passing, Ameera and Sophia were versatile in there play helping in all positions and securing play from the back, Kate and Zoe added energy and determination to help encourage the team and Sophie was the safe hands in goal keeping 6 clean sheets from 8 games. A great achievement from the girls who should be very proud as they represented the school in a polite, professional and respectful manner. They now go on to the regional stage of the cup to try and progress to a place at Wembley where the winners of the South region face against the winners of the North region.

Mr D Stapleton Teacher of PE





Current Vacancies @ CVCC:

Finance Apprentice

More information can be found on our website

Vacancies – CVCC (clystvale.org)





Mon 5th – Fri 9th December in the **Library**





Should I keep my

child off school?



Until...

at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
48 hours after their last episode
they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
4 days after the rash first appeared
5 days after the swelling started
they've had their first treatment
24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
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.

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