# **Newsletter**

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**WEEK E** 

"Anyone who works in the NHS has superpowers. It's a miracle, it is magic." - Benedict Cumberbatch

# Principal's Update



Sara Jacobs

Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

We were thrilled to welcome Year 6 students to the College this week. On Wednesday, the College hosted pupils from a number of local primary schools as part of an event organised in conjunction with the Devon Music Hub. The students delivered truly fantastic performances, showcasing the incredible talent we are excited to welcome in September. A huge thank you to Mr Hawkins for organising this event, and to all the parents and carers who came along to support and enjoy the music.

On Thursday and Friday, many of these students returned for their transition days as we officially welcomed our new Year 6 cohort to the College. These days are an important step in helping students familiarise themselves with the College, meet their tutor groups, and connect with key staff. Transitioning from primary to secondary school involves many changes, but building confidence is the first and most important step. It was lovely to see our new students integrating so well into the College community.

We would also like to extend our thanks and congratulations to our student ambassadors, whose guidance, friendliness and support were instrumental in helping our new students feel welcomed and assured. Their exemplary behaviour and leadership made us incredibly proud.

Careers Education, Information and Guidance remains a real strength of the College. On Monday and Tuesday this week, our Year 12 and Year 10 students had valuable opportunities to explore their options beyond school. Year 12 students visited Plymouth University on Monday, gaining insight into higher education pathways, while Year 10 students spent Tuesday sampling a range of courses at Exeter College. Feedback from students was overwhelmingly positive, with many expressing enthusiasm about the experience and the possibilities it opened up for their future.

Looking Ahead: A Cleaner, Greener College Site

From September, we will be introducing new food-free zones across the College site as part of our commitment to maintaining a clean, respectful and environmentally conscious learning environment. These changes are designed to encourage students to take greater responsibility for shared spaces and to help us preserve the quality of our teaching and recreational areas.

One of the key drivers behind this initiative is our desire to reduce the volume of single-use plastics on site. In particular, plastic drinks bottles, especially those purchased from the canteen, are frequently left behind. To support this effort, we are asking parents and carers to ensure that students come to College with a reusable drinks bottle that is large enough to last them through the day. This small change will make a big difference in promoting sustainability and reducing waste.

The key changes from the start of term will be:

- No food will be allowed in any teaching blocks.
- Food may only be consumed in the downstairs corridor when exiting the main building.
- The field will become a designated food-free zone.

We're sharing this information now so families can prepare ahead of the new term and help reinforce these expectations at home. With your support, we can continue to promote a culture of care, responsibility and sustainability across the College.

Finally, a couple of reminders as we approach the end of term. Please remember the College is a non-smoking and non-vaping site and we also kindly ask all parents and carers to be mindful of our neighbours during drop-off and pick-up times. Please remember that Tower View is a private road and should not be used.

Next week, we look forward to our termly celebration assemblies and our final awards assembly. It promises to be a busy end to the term, but one that is focused on recognising and rewarding our students' achievements.



# **College News**

#### Y11 Prom—Friday 27th June 2025

Congratulations to all of the Year 11 students which attended the Prom at Reed Hall, Exeter University, last Friday evening.

The beautiful weather combined with wonderful array of entrances of vehicles and accompanying outfits for the event which had been carefully planned for months in advance. We had 130 students attend from the year group with them all enjoying the event long into the night. It was equally positive seeing the family and friends of the students arrive to welcome them into the venue, along with a significant amount of staff and Year 11 Tutors.

A big thank you must go to Mrs Grant of Student Services who put in a tremendous amount of work in organising the event and venue. We wish them all a fantastic summer and well deserved break following the culmination of their GCSE exams.

Mr Pearce

Head of Year 11













# **College News**

#### **Y10 Exeter College Discover Day**

On Tuesday 1st July our year 10 students had the opportunity to go to Exeter College and have a 'taste' of college life. Students had the chance to try out different courses and navigate themselves around the college sites.

The students represented themselves and the school in a mature way, mixing with students from other schools and showing respect to the tutors. Students experienced making crepes in the catering department to measuring maggots in the applied science session and everything in between.

This was a great experience to see if they were interested in the courses on offer.

This is just the first chance of finding out about courses. Next academic year the local Colleges hold several open events for parents and students to attend so they can get more information to help them make an informed choice







#### **CLYST VALE INVIGILATOR TEAM – THANK YOU!**

To celebrate the successful completion of the exam season, we held a lovely coffee morning with our incredible invigilation team as a heartfelt thank you for all their hard work and support.

Homemade scones and cakes were shared (and swiftly devoured!) while we enjoyed a well-earned catch-up about the season. It was a perfect way to unwind, reflect, and recognise the fantastic effort everyone put in—thank you all once again!





### Post 16 News

### Post 18 Evening

Firstly, a sincere thank you to all Y12 parents who came along to the Post 18 Information Evening last Thursday; your commitment in choosing to attend despite the sub-tropical temperatures we were experiencing that day was much appreciated! It is really helpful to know that our students' parents and carers are fully briefed on the choices available, as our Post 16 learners begin to make decisions about their next steps after leaving Clyst Vale. For those who were not available that night, we sent out an email last Friday containing the presentation format used during the evening, as well as the UCAS handbook for parents and carers. We hope all those who could attend found the evening informative; we would welcome any queries or follow-up you would like to pick up with us. Please don't hesitate to get in touch.

#### **University of Plymouth trip**

Year 12 were busy getting out and about this week! On Monday, the whole year-group headed off in the morning to the University of Plymouth, where the Outreach team were ready to welcome us. Students spent the day thinking about future pathways, familiarising themselves with the UCAS process and starting to think about their personal statements. They also had the opportunity to tour the campus and take a look at what typical student accommodation might look like. Thank you to Miss Haynes and Mrs Padden for accompanying the students on this important fact-finding day.

#### **River Otter trip**

A-level Geographers enjoyed another offtimetable day on Tuesday, getting some important fieldwork elements of their course completed. They were fortunate to experience another day of glorious weather as they investigated the River Otter, with a final stop-off at Budleigh Salterton beach where the river meets the sea. Thanks to Mrs Klampfer-Hall and Mr Thomas for leading this trip.



#### **Work Experience**

We are on count-down now to the Y12 work experience week, starting 14th July; students received their log books from Mrs Bennet in this week's CPS lesson. Please do check that your child has completed all necessary steps on the Unifrog system – this should have included an email from the platform to the parent/carer designated by the student, requesting consent. If you have not seen this email, then the process is not complete! Get in touch with us if you have any concerns about this and we will do our best to help. Also, if your child is unwell during WEX week and not able to attend their placement on a given day, it is essential that you let both Sue Voysey (voyseys@clystvale.org) at school and the employer know, please. We arrange workplace visits for our students who are based in the local area, and it will save us a fruitless journey if you can keep us updated of any absences. Students who have not managed to secure a placement will be expected in Post 16 each day throughout the week, from 9am. Thank you!

### Student of the Week

Freddie Ball—7GAW

No Name Permission—7GLBA

Emyr Brown—7RKJO

7RCMO

7YDST

Ted Creese—7YEHA

8GRTU

8GTBE

8RER

Shewashe Sithole—8RMCU

Jack Crispin—8YCBO

Daisy Davies—8YCFL

No Name Permission—9GMNA

9GLTH

9RDFE

No Name Permission—9RGWW

Willow Pattison—9YGGA

9YBH

Abi Alakija—10GCMC

George Guerin—10GMTH

No Name Permission—10RBAT

Lili Tipper—10RNS

10YMBR

Dylan Carstairs—10YCHW



Darcy White 12HP



Each week our tutors are encouraged to recognise and reward one member of their tutor group for something outstanding. This could be an academic achievement, a demonstration of resilience or an act of kindness.



If you see a familiar name above then be sure to ask them what amazing thing they've done.

### **Key Contact Information**

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### PTFA UPDATE

We have had a busy few weeks. We had a lovely, but very hot, day at the Broadclyst Fun Day and it was lovely to chat to some existing and new parents during the day who came over to the stall. We made just over £200 from our teddy tómbola, lucky dip and uniform sales.

We now turn our attention to the Festival on the Field and new intake parents evening this coming week.

We will be selling ice lollies at the Festival on the Field to help them keep cool.

Students have also made up sweet bags so we will be supporting them selling them throughout the day. It looks like a great day planned for the students!

We have received several bags of uniform donations recently! Thank you to everyone who has donated. As we receive them though, items are flying back off the shelves so it clearly shows a need for this. We will have the uniform we have available on display at the new intake parents on Thursday evening. All good quality clean donations are welcome but particularly the smaller sizes this week if anyone is able to have a sort out this weekend!

We have been thinking ahead a bit to the autumn term and have some exiting ideas.

If you are able to offer some support and time to help the PTFA please email clystvaleptfa@gmail.com.

Many thanks,

The Clyst Vale PTFA



**WANTED** 

Pre-Loved Uniform Shop Coming Soon!

An easy, budget friendly way to buy school uniform.

We're collecting uniform in good condition that your child no longer needs.

Drop off donations at Reception/Student Services or the donation point

THANK YOU

# Student Services Key Updates and Reminders

### Early Finish Friday 18th July 2025

On the last day of the Summer Term 18/07/2025 we will be finishing early.

Students will be allowed to leave at 13:15pm. School Transport buses and taxis ("CV" transport), except for Stagecoach buses, will run their normal routes, but will be leaving Clyst Vale at approximately 13:30pm instead of the usual 15.30pm. Students who commute by public bus, i.e. Stagecoach, will catch the bus from the Coach Park just after the CVCC coaches leave.

If you have not already done so, please complete the 'Consent to Leave Early form' via the link below:

https://forms.office.com/e/ez7LJPdixW

#### **Transport**

We have had some problems recently with CVCC bus delays. We have been liaising with Devon County Transport on these issues when they happen. A useful link for up to date school transport issues is below.

Route Closures Archive - Children, families and education

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Many thanks,

**Student Services** 

## Attendance, Absence and Requests for Absence

### Reporting an Absence

If your child is absent due to illness or a medical appointment, please report their absence, along with the reason, via the My Child at School **desktop browser**. Alternatively, you can complete the Absence Notification Form using the link below or email:

studentabsence@clystvale.org.

#### **Absence Notification Form**

If your child is in Year 12 or 13, please report their absence to voyseys@clystvale.org.

Absences must be reported daily for the duration of your child's absence.

If you know in advance that your child will be away from school, please inform us at your earliest convenience.

Additionally, kindly notify us of any lateness or scheduled appointments.

The school actively follows up on unexplained absences. If your child is absent for an unauthorised event, the details may be referred to the Educational Welfare Service which could result in a fixed penalty notice. Please be aware that the College may request supporting documentation for any absence.

Typically, work is not provided for students during their absence, as our priority is to ensure they recover fully and return to school as soon as possible.

#### Lateness

Attendance is formally recorded twice daily: in the morning at 8:50am and in the afternoon at 2:10pm. It is essential that students are prepared to begin their tutor period promptly at 8:50am and are punctual for each subsequent lesson.

As required by law, registers must be taken in a timely manner, and there are consequences for lateness. Students who arrive after registration closes will be marked as late, and those arriving after 9:25am will receive an unauthorised mark.

If a student is absent without prior notification, we will inform parents/carers as soon as possible if your child has not arrived at school in the morning. To ensure prompt communication, parents/carers are strongly encouraged to keep their contact details up-to-date via the Bromcom App.

Attendance is recorded during every lesson to monitor internal truancy and comply with safeguarding regulations. Students are required to sign in upon late arrival or sign out if leaving during school hours. Parents/carers must notify the school and provide a valid reason for their child's departure.

No student may leave College without authorisation from staff under any circumstances.

Students feeling unwell must report to reception and are not permitted to contact parents directly through phone calls, texts, or messaging apps to request collection.

## **Medical Appointments**

We encourage students to maximise their attendance, as research highlights a strong correlation between regular attendance and examination success.

Many medical appointments can often be scheduled in a way that allows students to attend school both before and after their appointments. By doing so, they can minimise missed learning opportunities while maintaining high attendance levels.

We kindly ask parents/carers to ensure that their child attends morning registration, even if a medical appointment is scheduled later in the morning. Similarly, where possible, afternoon appointments should be arranged after **Period 4**, during lunchtime. We also encourage students to return to school following lunchtime appointments, if feasible.

Thank you for your continued support in helping your child achieve maximum attendance and academic success.

# Supporting Learning at Home

# What financial support can parents get?

Juggling home and school life is tough for every parent, but there are some financial support options available. Find out what you could be entitled to by following this link

<u>Supporting learning at home |</u>
Parentkind



#### **BROMCOM**

Please do not address emails, or any replies to Bromcom messages, to bromcom@clystvale.org.

It is an unmonitored mailbox and will not go to anyone. Parents/carers need to reply to Bromcom messages via the app, online, or via email, as this will then be directed to the staff member who sent the message to you. Or, please contact the teacher or <a href="mailto:admin@clystvale.org">admin@clystvale.org</a>. There is also a contact form and other details below:

https://www.clystvale.org/contact-us/

# **Clyst Vale Library**

Clyst Vale Library is open to the public 3.30 to 5.30pm Monday and Wednesday and 4.00 to 6.00pm Thursday.



### Stationery for Sale

Pencil cases are available from the Library at a cost of £4.50 per pencil case. The clear pencil cases include one pencil, a blue pen, a red pen, one highlighter, a ruler, a compass, a protractor, a rubber and a sharpener.



# **Summer Term Dates**

Wednesday 23rd April to Friday 18th July 2025 (half term w/c Monday 26th May)



Follow our Facebook Page via the link below:

<u>Clyst Vale Community College | Facebook</u>





# COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING

TUESDAY 8th JULY 2025 9:30 - 11:30am

Drop in event for existing and prospective parents/carers of Clyst Vale Community College.

RAISING RESILIENCE: CONNECTING FAMILIES TO LOCAL SUPPORT SERVICES

COMPLEMENTARY REFRESHMENTS AND CAKE AVAILABLE





























# Activate Camps are running our multi activity camp near you this holiday!

The Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) programme provides local authority funding for funded holiday places at our multi activity camp, including a healthy lunch, for eligible benefits related free school meal (FSM) children. The camp is open to both paid for places and HAF funded places. **Funded places are limited.** 

#### Vanua

Station Road, Broadclyst EX5 3AJ

#### **Funded Places**

Fully funded for all benefit related free school meal eligible children

#### Cost

£30 per day including lunch

#### **Times**

10am-2pm

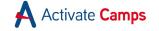
#### **Dates**

29 Jul-1 Aug 5-8 Aug 12-15 Aug

#### Learn More



All camp places must be booked in advance













# **CAKE & BAKE SALE** FRIDAY 11TH JULY @ LUNCHTIME

The Clyst Vale Amnesty Group will be holding a cake/bake sale in aid of the UNICEF Gaza appeal.

PLAZA—50p EACH

Donations of cakes/bakes welcome.



# **Broadclyst Youth Club**

Thursdays @ Broadclyst Sports Pavilion

4.30pm- 6.00pm for school years 6-8

6:30pm - 8:00pm for School Years 9-13

Holly Close, Broadclyst, Exeter EX5 3JB

£1 entry



@ymcaexeteryouthworkers



youthservice@ymcaexeter.org.uk











YMCA EXETER







# Silverton Twinning's Treasure Hunt

+ BBQ Bash! 🔍 🥚

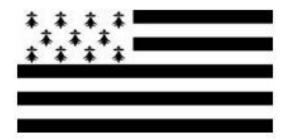


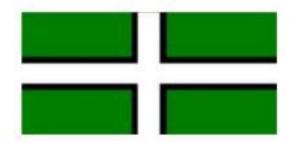


# Saturday 12 July 2025

- 4PM Treasure Hunt kicks off at the Book Swap (Little Rec)
- £2 per team cash only, brains included!
- 6PM BBQ & Boules bonanza!
- £5 pp (cash) Bring your own booze, seat, and picnic vibes
- Raffle + juicy prizes!
- RSVP for BBQ 07976 539 061 (text/call/WhatsApp)

Everyone's welcome - come for the fun, stay for the feast!







# **CRANBROOK UNITED FC**



We are currently looking to add players to the below age groups:

Youth U7's (school year 2 in sept)

Youth U11's (school year 6 in sept)

Youth U13's (School year 8 in sept)

Girls U11's (school years 5&6 in sept)

Girls U13's (school years 7&8 in sept)

Excellent facilities across 2 sites Cranbrook Educational Campus Grass &
 Astro pitches & Ingrams Sports Pitches

All year-round football, no matter the

weather

> FA trained coaches

No A&B teams, equal opportunities for all

players

Emphasis on fun sessions and team building activities across all teams

WHETHER ITS FOR YOUR CHILD THATS NEW TO FOOTBALL/LOOKING FOR A NEW TEAM OR IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN COACHING PLEASE GET IN TOUCH.

SECRETARY.CUFC@OUTLOOK.COM

WWW.CRANBROOKUNITEDYOUTH.CO.UK

# **LIFEWORKS**

SUMMER

# **PROGRAMME**

\*Welcome to Our Summer programme!

28-29-30-31 July 4-5-6-7 Aug

11-12-13-14 Aug

18-19-20-21 Aug

10am to 4pm Ages 11-30

Cost per session £80 1:4 support £135 1:1 support

Detailed daily programme to follow



#### 'Kids Eat Free' Summer 2025

Supermarket cafes, chain restaurants and food venues around the UK are offering the 'Kids Eat Free' or 'Kids Eat for £1' deal. Please see below for further information.

- Les Iguanas: Download the app and join 'My Iguanas' for free meals for mini-Iguanas aged 12 and under. Children get a main, two sides and a dessert with every adult main (or three tapas dishes) purchased.
- ASDA Café: Children eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required. Children will receive a free piece of fruit such as an apple, pear or banana when purchasing the hot kids £1 meal deal.
- Morrisons: Children eat free all day, every day in Morrisons cafes nationwide, daily with every adult meal over £5.
- Beefeater: Two children get free breakfasts with every adult breakfast purchased.
- Sainsbury's: Sainsbury's cafes offer one free child's hot meal or lunch bag for £1 with any adult main meal purchased over £5.20. This offer is available every day from 11:30am until café closure. Children's mains include one main, 3 sides a drink and a piece of fruit.
- Bella Italia: Children eat free all day every Thursday and for £1 between 4-6pm, Sunday to Wednesday. Kids can enjoy three delicious courses and a drink! Meals are suitable for 2–11-year-olds.
- Ikea: Children can enjoy a pasta meal and tomato sauce with a soft drink for 95p or any other Children's Meal for £1.50 every day from 11am. On Friday's children get tomato pasta, a drink, and a piece of fruit for just 45p.
- Premier Inn: At Premier Inn, you can enjoy their all-you-can-eat
   Breakfast for just £9.99 and up to two children under 16 eat for free.
- Travelodge: At Travelodge, you can enjoy their all-you-can-eat
   Breakfast for just £9.75 and up to two children under 15 eat for free.

- Yo Sushi!: Children eat free all day (Monday-Friday) during all school holidays when dining with a full-paying adult (minimum spend £10).
- Bills: Up to 2 children can eat free all-day Monday-Friday, if one adult orders any main <u>dish(</u>breakfast, lunch or dinner). Excludes Saturdays and Sundays.
- Brewer's Fayre: Up to two children under 16 eat a free unlimited breakfast with every adult breakfast purchased.
- Pausa Cafes at Dunelm: For every £4 spent by an adult in the cafe, children can enjoy one free mini main, two yummy snacks and a drink – across all menu items.
- SA Brains Pubs: Offer valid every Wednesday, all day. Offer allows one <u>children's</u> main meal from the 'Little Dragons' menu for £1 when purchased with one full price adult main meal
- Whitbread Inns: Purchase one great value £9.50 breakfast at any Whitbread Inns pub or restaurant and two children under 16 eat breakfast for FREE.

For more information please visit:

Places Kids Eat Free (or for £1) In School Holidays 2025



# JULY 2025 Newsletter

FACE delivers online support via zoom for parents across the UK
Talks are 90 minutes long, £24 each or FREE with a school membership code
Book Online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk on the PARENTS page



Schools can purchase a

# **FACE School Annual Membership**

which means ALL parents and ALL staff get unlimited FREE access to ALL 16 parent talks

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> July

19:00 - 20:00

FREE



# Supporting Healthy Screen Use

Screens are here to stay.

Identifying the issues and step by step guide to reduce the negative impact.

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July

10:00 - 11:30

£24

recording available



# Supporting a Child with ADHD

Challenging the stereotypes and giving practical interventions. Clear explanation of the condition in all its forms and extremely useful advice.

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> July 10:00 - 11:30

£24

recording available



# **Facing Defiance**

Specific strategy to help parents manage defiant and challenging behaviour, especially aimed at ADHD, ODD and PDA conditions, 5 to 12 years old.

Tuesday 29th July 10:00 - 11:30

£24

recording available



# **Anxiety Based School Avoidance**

Understanding and supporting children who are anxious about school.

Steps you can take to help them back into the classroom.

facefamilyadvice.co.uk.

info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk



# July Timetable

All sessions delivered live online via zoom £24 each 90 minutes long Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk Recordings available for 48 hours

Understanding Anger	1 July 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	1 July 7pm
Introduction to OCD	7 July 10am
What is ACT?	7 July 7pm
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	8 July 10am
Anxiety Explained	8 July 7pm
Raising Self-Esteem	14 July 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	14 July 7pm
Decreasing Depression	15 July 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	15 July 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	21 July 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	21 July 7pm
Autism Improving Communication	22 July 10am
Improving Family Communication	22 July 7pm
Facing Defiance	28 July 10am