



NEWSLETTER

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Week B

“Mental Health is not a dirty word – we all have mental health like we do physical health, good or ill”

Prince William

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 7 Meet the Tutor Evening

Many thanks to parents who turned out last night for a short appointment to check in with their child’s tutor. It’s an opportunity to raise any concerns and nip issues in the bud, but in fact it was an extremely positive evening. Year 7 as a whole have made a very good start to their time at Clyst Vale, the initial signs are highly encouraging, and long may it continue.

Kooth

I mention Kooth (and Young Devon) on a regular basis as they are good, established, independent support organisations for young people and families. Kooth is available to children and young people aged 11-19 across Plymouth and 11-25 in Devon providing free, safe and anonymous digital mental health and wellbeing support on Kooth.com. Their October offer is as follows (or go to kooth.com)

Monday 3rd October	Wednesday 5th October	Monday 10th October	Tuesday 11th October
Discussion Board Black History Month	Live Forum Crime Time: Respect and boundaries 7:30pm - 9pm	Discussion Board World Mental Health Day	Discussion Board National Coming Out Day
Friday 14th October	Wednesday 19th October	Monday 24th October	Tuesday 25th October
Live Forum Coming Out Day: Experiences, reflections and tips 7:30pm - 9pm	Live Forum Lets Talk About: Obsessive compulsions 7:30pm - 9pm	Live Forum Autumn Crafts: Haunted Halloween 7:30pm - 9pm	Discussion Board Halloween Craft Thread

Find support from the Kooth community by visiting [kooth.com](https://www.kooth.com) today.

Infectious Diseases

Student attendance is down a little, but still firmly in line with national. Staff absence levels however continue to be high, as I reported last week, and on some days we have been very stretched. It's a mix of covid, post-covid complications, norovirus, and one-off illnesses or injuries. Outside CVCC, local covid rates are steadily rising, albeit at a low level. Public Health are concerned about a winter surge in respiratory infections. Most hospitals and health settings have reintroduced masks. Meanwhile, wider society, the government and the media have largely moved on from the pandemic, and you can count mask-wearers on the fingers of one hand in shops or on buses, for example.

There is no new guidance for schools: we are still following the general UKHSA advice released in April. However, there's no harm in reminding ourselves of the basic 5 prevention measures. In a school context, please keep children who are likely to be infectious at home – this is any infection, not just covid. Encourage good hand hygiene – we will be gently increasing the availability of hand sanitiser, and also reintroducing one or two cleaning measures in high-use areas. Ventilation is the fourth measure: tricky in that we also want windows and doors closed to keep heat in to save money and indirectly the planet; and the fifth measure is to be vaccinated (if eligible).

For parents, the main ones here are keeping infectious children at home, and giving them a good scrub before they set off each morning. I mentioned masks above, and I sense a slight shift: certainly more shop *assistants* are wearing them, and one or two of my colleagues are wearing them when suffering colds but not fevers. Masks are most definitely not compulsory, but if a student wishes to wear one, that's absolutely fine. We are well aware that some of our students are in families with clinically extremely vulnerable relatives for whom covid, 'flu, norovirus or other infections could be very serious.

DLD: Seeking Mock Interview Helpers

First, a brief explanation for new readers. DLD stands for Deep Learning Day, which is a timetable collapse day allowing students to study a topic or theme in more depth. This includes a variety of things across the different year groups. The first DLD of 2022-23 will be on 20th October. The focus for Year 13 (Upper Sixth in old money) will be on Careers. Within that, one activity will be a mock interview, approximate timing 11.30 to 1.30 (or whatever can be offered). So, if you have experience of interviewing and would be willing to volunteer, please contact Mrs Bennett on ben-nettn@clystvale.org. Thank you !

Library News!

Black History Month

To celebrate Black History Month we are listening to music by black artists in the library. Come and find a selection of books by black writers on display. We have also ordered a variety of new books – look out for them in the next few weeks.

National Poetry Day

Thursday 6th October was National Poetry Day. The Poetry Fairy arrived in the night and spread poetic joy around the school – poems old and new, funny and poignant, famous and obscure. In the library we celebrated poetry and the spoken word (and music by black artists) by listening to rap, grime and hip-hop.

“Shine” – Spina Bifida Awareness Week

This year, we have been joined by a student who has spina bifida, which is quite a rare condition (estimated 6 cases per 10,000 children). Shine is the charity for spina bifida (literally, “split spine”), and their awareness week is being held from 17th-23rd October. So, if you are interested in finding out more about the condition or the charity, the link is [Spina Bifida - Shine \(shinecharity.org.uk\)](http://Spina Bifida - Shine (shinecharity.org.uk))

Education Funding

Established readers of the Newsletter will know that I have been fairly noisy about this, not just for your children but for the whole education sector. Things improved a bit with pledges to return to 2010 levels of funding, then there was the pandemic, so I was quieter. I'm worried by recent developments, and I'm not alone. You might have seen reported in the media a joint letter from ten education organisations to the government. If you haven't, here it is:

"We are writing on behalf of leaders, teachers, teaching assistants, support staff, governors, trustees and parents in the vast majority of schools, trusts and colleges in England to express our dismay and concern over the looming education funding crisis. The amount of money allocated to education is not enough to cover rising costs. However, it seems that your government has decided that there will be no more money for education beyond the allocation in last autumn's spending review – even though the decisions in that review were based on much lower inflation levels. We are alarmed at reports that your government may also be considering further 'efficiencies' in public spending.

"The reality is that school and college spending has been cut to the bone over the past decade, there is no room for efficiencies, and a real-terms cut in funding will be catastrophic. If schools and colleges have to make further savings, this will inevitably mean reductions in teaching and support staff. This will result in larger class sizes, cuts to the curriculum and student support services, and cuts in extra-curricular provision, such as school trips and clubs. There is a very real risk of a decline in educational standards.

"Your government claims to be pursuing an agenda of economic growth but we fail to see how growth can be sustainable, and how our country can look forward to a secure and prosperous future, without sufficient investment in education. This is of critical importance to the lives of the children, young people and adult learners in our schools and colleges, and it is also of critical importance to ensuring that the nation possesses the breadth of knowledge and skills to be globally competitive and productive in the future. A failure to properly fund schools and colleges is short-sighted, short-term and short changes our pupils and students."

At Clyst Vale, we should be able to weather this academic year because we have a good deal on energy costs, and sufficient reserves, but unfunded pay awards costing around £150,000 and any future cuts to funding would have significant effects from as soon as next school year. I shall be returning to letter-writing to the great and good, and supporting Headteacher organisations concerned about this issue. I have no political axe to grind: I really hope the economy recovers fast, and if the growth plan is successful that would be great – but if it takes five years, that's a whole generation of secondary school students who will be affected. Parents and carers are, of course, welcome to write to local MPs in your own right.

University of Cambridge HOPE Survey

The Health Outcomes for young People in Education (HOPE) team have asked that this be brought to parents and carers' attention. There are three surveys that aim to explore any variations in SEND identification and provision across all Local Authorities in England. These ask children and young people (aged 11-27), parents and carers of children with SEND (any age), and other stakeholders. All surveys are anonymous, and the study has been approved by Cambridge Psychology Research Ethics Committee, study ref:PRE:2021.058.

The surveys take around 6 minutes to complete, and can all be accessed via this link:

<https://redcap.link/HOPEsurvey>

The deadline is 14th October. Just to be clear, Clyst Vale is not endorsing or recommending this survey, but SEND is a very important issue and this is an opportunity to comment if they wish.

Have a lovely weekend!

Kevin Bawn

Principal





STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



RED SCHOOL

7RDF	Finlay Dudley
7RTM	Evangeline Issacs & Halle Baker-Holmes
8RBAT	Rosie Hamilton
8RHSP	Samuel Studholme Lyons
9RSGA	Aurelia Cassap
9RZB	Lucy Jones
10RAO	Kayla Dart
10RMAH	Joshua Jones
11RER	Reece Turner
11RGG	Faye White

GREEN SCHOOL

7GLT
8GCMC
8GIM
9GABr
11GHE

YELLOW SCHOOL

7YBH	Connor Potter
7YGG	Zac Brown
8YMBR	Tamara Tsyselska
8YTZI	Luke Rice & George O'Malley
9YPN	Jamie Salter
10YDS	Olivia Woollam & Charlie Williams
10YSP	Jack Bauer & Lucas Stumpf
11YMPR	No permission
11YNS	No permission

CALENDAR DATES

DATE	EVENT
Wednesday 12th October	Rugby Y7,Y8,Y10—Blundells
Tuesday 18th October	Post 16 Sociology—Exeter Crown Court
Tuesday 18th October	Post 16 Geography—Slapton Infiltration Study
Monday 24th to Friday 28th October	HALF TERM
Wednesday 2nd November	Y13 Hampton Court
Thursday 3rd November	Post 16 Art/Photo Trip to St Ives
Friday 4th November	Y8+ School Photos
Thursday 10th November	Post 16 Open Evening (6-8pm)
Saturday 12th November	Ten Tors Walk 1
Wednesday 23rd November	Plymouth Urban Regeneration Trip—Post 16 Geog.
Thursday 24th November	GCSE B&V trip to Southall Gurdwara
Thursday 24th November	GCSE Celebration Evening (6-8pm)
Saturday 26th November	Ten Tors Walk 2
Thursday 8th December	Y13 Parents Evening (4.30-6.30pm)
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 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.



UK Health
Security
Agency

NHS

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 (including COVID-19)	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.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours 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



SCAN ME

Advice and guidance

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

No rugby club after school on Wednesday 12th Oct.

We have multiple rugby and netball fixtures that evening and so rugby club will not run. Club will resume 19th October.

Y10 Boys Rugby v Okehampton College (H)

Congratulations to the Y10 lads who progress to the quarter finals of the area cup with a 26-5 victory.

The first twenty minutes were mostly played in the middle third of the pitch with the teams testing each other out with lots of handling errors and resulting scrums!

The 21 players in the Clyst Vale squad worked brilliantly together and organised their own roll on, roll off substitutes in the main. Clyst Vale finally managed to open the scoring with an unconverted try in the corner by outside half, **Charlie Williams**.

With the wind at their backs and improved handling of the ball, Clyst Vale added to their tally significantly in the second half with further scores through inside centre,

JJ Slater (x2) and outside centre, **Oliver Hargreaves**. Full back **Josh Jones** (x2) and **Charlie Williams** added some well kicked conversions, with Okehampton gaining a well deserved try before the final whistle. Man of the match contenders could be

argue across the match day squad of 21 students, however it went to Lock **Rhys Smith** with his ferocious tackling and great feet when in attack.

Clyst Vale will now take on Kings Ottery in the next round in an away fixture.

A big thanks must go to touch judges, **Daniel Horn** and **Oliver Hawke** who both did a sterling job on their respective lines. Well done lads!

Congratulations to the squad: **Oliver Hargreaves (c), Charlie Williams, Daniel Baker,**

Year 8 & 9 Netball

U14 v Uffulme

U14 v St Peters



Well done to all our Key Stage 3 students who played in the above matches. Some excellent skills and game play seen by all team members resulting on some winning matches against St Peters. Harder matches were played against Uffulme resulting in a loss due to the accuracy of their shooting skills, and once again our own teams were excellent opponents.

Students who played for Uffulme also attend outside netball clubs so are able to develop their skills further, if you enjoy playing netball and would like the opportunity to do this, please contact one of the U12, U14 & U16 junior netball club websites below:

- * Cowick Cats (Tuesday evenings) playing at West Exe School
- * Exeter Netball Club (Friday evenings) playing at Exeter College
- * Titans Netball Club (Wednesday evenings) playing at Blundells School

Last Thursday 29th September Year 11 we had our annual crunch game with St Peter's. We knew we had to raise our game and play some good netball. Year 11 started off well and netted the first goal which gave the girls some confidence. Then the game was very end to end action with Emily and Lily were working well in attack getting some goals for CVCC. Alongside Lucy and Olivia making quick interceptions and having to work hard to keep the St Peters out of the attacking 'd'. Harriet kept the pace and set plays well in mid court and connected play successfully. Harriet had some fantastic turn overs mid court to keep possession and the counter attack. Izzy and Betsy mid court worked well with Harriet to keep possession, with Tamara having a good impact when she subbed on. The final score was a very close loss 17-14 but I could not be prouder of the year 11 girls. They fought hard till the end on what was a very fast pace and skilled match. With continued great attitude and support to each other. A tough game at the start of the season but the girl rose to the challenge. Player of the match well deserved was Harriet as she kept us in the game with her turnovers and good movement around the court.

Year 10 Game v St Peters Year 11 B team. The girls played two games across the evening. When the year 10 squad played the Year 11b squad It was end to end action but very low scores. The play was fast from both teams and once they slowed played down the fouls reduced and option opened up more.

Mid court Caitlin Tilly Liv played well connected play. Beth, Esme and Liv when as shooters moved around the 'D' well but their defenders interceptions made it hard for our shooters. Defensively Laila Daisy and Ruby fought hard and after a whole game the close score line shows how close the contest was with a 2-1 defeat. Player of the match was Beth. The Year 10 played well but on the rematch the Girls will hopefully get that win they deserve.

Netball Training Year 10 11 Thursday evenings 3:30 - 4:30

Year 7 Boys Rugby

Clyst Vale v Tiverton HS

On a pleasant sunny afternoon, Clyst Vale Year 7 lads played in their first ever competitive match for the school. Despite St Peters not being able to make it over, Tiverton did and an enjoyable and positive experience was had by all.

The hard surface and first game for many allowed for the first of the game to be played under touch conditions to get used to the structure and lay out of the game. Clyst Vale handled very well and scored two tries down the slope.

The second and last thirds of the game introduced contact, with some tackles introduced on a static basis and then live within a game. Both sides did extremely well, developing their confidence and playing with bravery and respect for others, everything the game of rugby stands for!

The next aim for the lads is to develop their rucking skills at training in advance of going to Blundells School on Wednesday 12 October.

Congratulations to the squad: **Henry Grivin, Will Askew, Harrison Phelps, Buddy Brown, Thomas Aggett, Joe Card, Rudy Smith, Josh Wallend, Elan Underhill, Connor Kendle, Seb Rothwell, Zac Brown and Josh Stevens.**

Clystvale vs Tiverton Year 9 Football.

Tuesday evening saw the Clystvale face Tiverton after a 5-2 loss last year. The year 9s lined up with a strong and developed side from last year and were looking to gain revenge on Tiverton from last year. As normal for

Dog Village the wind was blowing across the pitch which made it difficult for the players. A strong first 15 minutes from Clyst vale enabled them to take the lead through a corner that fell to the feet of **Reece Sparkes**, who casually fired home to make it 1-0. Tiverton again looking for their pacey and strong centre forward who scored 4 goals last time. Eventually the back three of **Harry Bidder**, **Reece Sparkes** and Josh Moyes were broken through a long ball over the top. 1-1. After total dominance Clystvale made it 2-1 after a lofted through ball from **Theo Barefoot** allowed **Harry Metherall** to jinx past the keeper and put it into an open net. Again, Tivertons only tactic paid off with their striker latching on to a ball over the top of the defence to make it 2-2 at half time.

The second half started like the first with Clystvale on top. The tenacity and high pressure did not allow Tiverton very much time on the ball. Again, **Harry Metherall** latched onto a through ball and made it 3-2. With chance at both ends and **Reece Sparkes** making a goal line block that was odds on that Tiverton were going to score. But a great block denied them the equaliser and left the Tiverton team in disbelief. Some excellent passing a moving play from the midfield 3 of Harry O'Donnell, Charlie King and Theo Barefoot allowed more chances to fall Clystvales way. Harry Metherall again jinxed past a few defenders to put the game beyond reach of Tiverton and the game finishing 4-2.

A much-improved Year 9 side that showed maturity, tenacity and commitment to the game. Something that was lacking last year. A great performance from the team and something they should take into their future fixtures.

Harry Metherall would be the obvious choice for man of the match with his three goals, but Clystvale wouldn't have taken the points if it wasn't for **Reece Sparkes** heroics at the back. A tenacious display with a tough opponent in the Tiverton forward, as well as him notching a goal for himself. An excellent performance from the team and they thoroughly deserved the win. Well done lads.



GCSE Art and Photography Catch-Up Sessions



Tuesday 3:20pm-4:30pm - with Mrs Walton in AR2 and IT4
Tuesday Lunchtime - with Mrs Walton in AR2
Friday Lunchtime - with Mr Brooks in AR1

- All GCSE Art and Photography students are welcome to attend any of these sessions
 - Students can bring lunch to eat whilst working
 - Make sure parents/carers know if you are staying after school
 - Arrange a way to get home safely after 4:30pm

It was a thrashing performance by the Year 10 boys' football team!

The game started off with dominating possession which led to a goal well taken by **Jack Bauer** in the 1st minute. Clyst Vale continued to move the opposition around with perfect possession, moving the ball back and forth around the defence. A great run by **Max Metherell** brought a foul by the opponent just outside the box, which was amazingly dispatched by **Harry Crees**.

The game went on with the boys scoring goal after goal, with the opponent completely out the game with 4 more goals going in. A mistake by the defence of South Dartmoor gave **Charlie Ebdon** the ball on the edge of the box, with a bit of composure took it past the defender and unleashed it into the top left corner.

Another 2 goals went in by Jack Bauer and Nick Ball. Clyst Vale keeping the pressure, continuing to dominate which led to goal after goal. A miss kick by the keeper resulted in the ball bouncing towards the edge of the box, **Lucas Stumpf** expertly tidied the ball and caught a sweet strike into the top right hand corner, with the keeper had no chance. With the game ending 15-3 overall to Clyst Vale, well deserved with a rampant display by the team. **Well done boys!** Tough call for man of



Cullompton Rugby Club

**We need girls for the new under 12s girl team,
please come along.**

Free taster session.

All year 7 girls are welcome.

Training is Tuesdays 6-7 pm.

Enquires: 07967 369012



Chess Club Monday Lunchtime The Library



'We made some amazingly tasty banana and chocolate chip cookies in our Food club yesterday. We are so proud of our results that we wanted to share them with you.'




Current Vacancies @ CVCC:

- **Behaviour Support Room Co-ordinator
(known as The Bridge)**
 - **Cover Supervisor**
 - **Exams Invigilators**
- **Teaching Assistant—Skills Room**
 - **Careers Co-Ordinator**
- **PA to Deputy Principal & Cover Administrator**

For more information please visit our website

**www.clystvale.org or the TES Website www.tes.com and
search for Clyst Vale**



**Hooks and Books
Thursday Lunchtime
The Library**

**Crochet, knitting,
stitching, embroidery –
bring your project and
join friends in the library**

Wellbeing @ CVCC

Join our wellbeing ambassadors who meet every Thursday in VO1.

What can we do to improve student and staff mental health at CVCC?



We have the right to...

Rest and Play (article 31)

Meet friends and join groups (article 15)

Good quality health care (article 24)

Privacy (article 16)

Find out information (article 13)

To feel our opinion is valued (article 12)

Join wellbeing ambassadors and make a difference!



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 1.30pm- bring your lunch
KS3 Tuesdays: Week B
 EN7 1.30pm- bring your lunch



LUNCH CLUBS

Day	Club	Time	Where	Changing Room	Teacher
Monday	Film Club – commencing 3 rd 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 Hall	Mr Powell
Monday	Yr 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 Eales
Tuesday	KS4/KS5 Work Experience & Careers 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 Spencer/Mr Ferret
Wednesday	Week B - LGBTQ+ Group	Lunchtime	HU4		Mr Zimble
Wednesday	Week A – Eco Committee	Lunchtime	HU4		Mr Zimble
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	Week A – Yr 10/11 Practical Catch UP	Lunchtime	DT3		Mrs Crook
Thursday	Week B – Yr 1/11 Practical Catch Up	Lunchtime	DT3		Mrs Crook
Thursday	Yr 11 – Indoor Football	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Stapleton
Thursday	Yr 10/11 – Dance	Lunchtime	Dance Studio	Dance Studio	Mrs Elliot
Thursday	Hooks & Books	Lunchtime	Library		Mrs Crawford
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 Ferret

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



RUGBY CLUB

Wednesday after school (3.30-4.30pm): All boys & girls

Thursday lunchtime: KS3 Boys & Girls



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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