



# NEWSLETTER

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WEEK B

**“Human rights means that each individual should be treated with respect, dignity and equality” - Tony Fernandes**

Dear Parents and Carers,

## **Last Week of Term**

Next week is, of course, the last school week of term and of 2023. It's still fairly busy ! Monday sees the first of three GCSE Geography fieldwork visits to Bristol. On Wednesday the fieldwork visits conclude, and it is also Christmas Dinner day. On Thursday there is another curriculum trip to Shepton Mallet prison for GCSE B&V students. Year groups will hold Celebration Assemblies in their normal assembly slots.

Friday: two things to remember: Friday will be a non-uniform day with proceeds going to UNICEF, and we finish early with school and public transport leaving at 1.30 pm and approximately 1.30 pm respectively.

## **Carol Service**

Thank you to all of you who came to Tuesday's Carol Service, and/or helped with the rehearsals and dramas at home (if any), and/or provided the inevitable taxi service. It was a lovely evening, always one of our best and always the most heartwarming. It helps strengthen the bonds and teamwork of students across Years 7 to 13, all the more important now we are structured in years not Schools. It's also a "genuine" event, not as thoroughly rehearsed or polished as a school production, and all the better for it.

We received this lovely feedback from the Church: "Thank you to everyone at Clyst Vale Community College for supporting Broadclyst church by arranging to use the church for the 2023 carol concert. Those of us who were privileged to watch the concert enjoyed ourselves so much and were very impressed by the high standard of musicians, actor and readers. The students were well behaved and very respectful of using a 700 year old listed building. We really appreciated the professionalism of the staff overseeing the students, and look forward to welcoming them back in 2024." (Although this was my last Carol Service as Principal, I hope to be there as well).

## **Sixth Form News**

Y12 and Y13 Geographers spent the day with Mrs Klampfer-Hall and Mr Thomas in Plymouth on Wednesday, on an Urban Regeneration data gathering fieldwork trip. They were lucky with the weather (again!) and had a very successful day.

On Wednesday afternoon Julian Powell's Y12 Tutor group ran a quiz for Y7 students, who by all accounts were highly excited by the whole event. Those P16 students not in Plymouth or with Y7 enjoyed our annual Post 16 Christmas Quiz.

Yesterday was Christmas Jumper Day with all proceeds (around £50 and still counting) going to Save the Children. ... and the best outfit hands-down going to Mr Thomas for his matching Santa jacket and tie!

We held the Parents' Evening for Year 13 yesterday as well. This is deliberately timed to be about 2/3 of the way through the two year course, after the UCAS process is more or less complete, and just before the holiday and forthcoming mock exams in January. Of course, it's the last Parents' Evening for students and parents, many of whom have been at Clyst Vale for nearly seven years, and pause for reflection how their children have grown, developed and matured in that time.

## **Next week is busy:**

Miss Haynes is running brief information sessions during morning registration (EN5) regarding the new subjects we are adding to the Post 16 curriculum: Weds 13th Dec – Business BTEC, and Thurs 14th Dec – Law A-level. (Year 11 students should register with their Tutor first then head straight over to EN5 if they want to find out more.)

Not “new”, but on Thursday 14th December Period 3 Mrs Elliot is running a Psychology A-level Taster Session (in P7) for any Year 11 students interested in taking this subject as an A-level next year. Names to Mrs Voysey (Sixth Form PA) if students are interested.

On Weds 13th December we have Asher Jacobsberg visiting from the European Parliament to run a launch session in Post 16 for the Ambassador Schools programme we have newly joined, and then lead a debate on what the priorities should be for the EU and UK's future relationship. The session is for all Year 12, Year 13s who have opted in and any Y11s who are interested.

On Thursday after lunch the Sixth Form will have the final assembly of the year, including the grand prize raffle for students with teacher commendations, 50+ praise points, 100% attendance etc...

A reminder that applications are OPEN for Post 16 Sept 2024 entry. The deadline is Friday 26th January. The link is here: [CVCC Post 16 Application Form - Sept 2024](#).

### **Ofsted One Year On**

You'll recall that it is a year to the week that Ofsted called, on 6th December 2022. You'll also recall that it was a positive visit. Clyst Vale was confirmed as “good” in all sections, and we had made big improvements to the curriculum, to SEND provision in class, had strengthened our leadership, and Rights Respecting School had made a huge contribution to our ethos and student personal development. The two issues for action related to the behaviour of a minority of students, and that too many students were missing lesson time, especially through exit cards and/or time out to help regulate themselves. So where are we a year on ?

In many ways the main focus is sustaining all the good things which made us good. The curriculum is under constant review, one or two new option subjects were introduced, and we are considering some additions to the Post-16 offer. We continue to work hard with SEND provision: we have seen an increase both in numbers and complexity of needs, so have increased and reorganised the Additional Support department and introduced two supported learning groups in Year 7. Behaviour (of a minority) remains a challenge, as it does in all schools, and we are reaffirming our approaches and values. We have reduced the number of exit cards, which generally has been successful although some individual students have found this difficult; in general we do need to build resilience and not automatically go for the soft option, but individuals' needs are individual and it's each case on its merits. The 2023 summer results were reasonable, better than 2019 (the last year for which comparisons are even vaguely possible), but we do need to improve outcomes further for disadvantaged learners and some SEND students. Student attendance is roughly 1% better than a year ago, and staff absence has reduced considerably. So, although we would never claim to be perfect, a year on from the Inspection we are doing ok, but cannot afford to be complacent. As an old leadership mantra goes, at the risk of sounding like David Brent, these days you must make continual progress to stand still.

Yesterday you may have seen that an inquest ruled that an Ofsted inspection contributed to the death of Reading headteacher Ruth Perry. I really hope that this is a catalyst to more radical change to the inspection regime than are currently being considered. Of course schools need accountability – let's face it, we consume millions of pounds of taxpayers' money – but not the way it's been done throughout my career.

### **National parent survey:**

Parentkind has published its National Parent Survey 2023 this week. It is quite a big report, running to 50 pages of mostly graphs and infographics, but it's highly topical and interesting. The major headlines are not a surprise: parents are most concerned about the cost of living and its impact, and also their children's mental health and wellbeing, but there's much more detail than this. If you're interested, [The report is here](#) .

### **Transport News**

School Transport. We keep close track of CV buses which arrive late at either end of the day, and report persistent problems to Devon School Transport. However, parent power is highly effective, too. If your child takes school transport, and you're not happy with the service provided, please contact them yourself in addition to us – these are your children who are being messed about. The number is 0345 155 1019, e-mail [schooltransportservicequeries-mailbox@devon.gov.uk](mailto:schooltransportservicequeries-mailbox@devon.gov.uk) .

Sadly a regular reminder, but please don't drop off or pick up students in the staff car park (nearest the College Reception) unless they have a disability or are temporarily injured in some way, eg on crutches. It has limited space, pedestrians crossing at peak times, and the priority is students with medical or other needs. Bah, humbug.

So, for the penultimate time, thank you for your continuing support, and best wishes,



**Kevin Bawn**



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# **STUDENTS OF THE WEEK**



## **RED SCHOOL**

<b>7RER</b>	<b>No Permission to Name</b>
<b>7RGG</b>	<b>Ava Parker</b>
<b>8RDFE</b>	<b>Brooke Baker Holmes</b>
<b>8RTMA</b>	<b>No Permission to Name</b>
<b>9RBAT</b>	<b>Darcy Dixon</b>
<b>9RNS</b>	<b>Ellie Rowe</b>
<b>10RZB</b>	<b>No Permission to Name</b>
<b>10RSGA</b>	<b>Cerys Smaldon</b>
<b>11RMAH</b>	<b>Alissa Viri</b>
<b>11RCMO</b>	<b>Dilly Pepper</b>

## **YELLOW SCHOOL**

<b>7YCBO</b>	<b>No Permission to Name</b>
<b>7YCFL</b>	<b>No Permission to Name</b>
<b>8YGGA</b>	<b>Lillie Bowden</b>
<b>8YBHA</b>	<b>No Permission to Name</b>
<b>9YMBR</b>	
<b>9YSWA</b>	<b>Imogen Woollam</b>
<b>10YSS</b>	<b>Amelia Carthew</b>
<b>10YADA</b>	<b>William Stone</b>
<b>11YDST</b>	<b>Lenny Bolt</b>
<b>11YEHA</b>	<b>Jack Bauer</b>

## **GREEN SCHOOL**

<b>7GRTU</b>	<b>Georgie Jameson and No Permission to Name</b>
<b>7GHE</b>	<b>No Permission to Name</b>
<b>8GMNA</b>	<b>Freya Hudson</b>
<b>8GLT</b>	<b>Zoe Grant</b>
<b>9GCMC</b>	<b>Harley Ewings</b>
<b>9GDJ</b>	<b>Lois Hargreaves</b>
<b>10GABR</b>	<b>No Permission to Name</b>
<b>10GDH</b>	<b>Daisy-Sue Cook</b>
<b>11GAWO</b>	<b>Sam Hannaford</b>
<b>11GGT</b>	<b>Finley Southard</b>

# CALENDAR DATES

DATE	EVENT
Monday 11th , Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13th December	Year 11 Geography Trips to Bristol
Wednesday 13th December	Christmas Lunch
Thursday 14th December	Year 11 Beliefs and Values Shepton Mallett Prison Trip
Friday 15th December	Non-uniform Day—proceeds to UNICEF
Friday 15th December	Last Day of Autumn Term. Students finish at 1.15pm, buses leave at 1.30pm
Wednesday 3 January 2024	Students return to school for Spring Term
Thursday 11th January	Year 11 Parents Evening 4 to 7pm
Monday 15th January	Year 9 Nasal Flu Vaccinations taking place
Saturday 20th January	Ten Tors Weekend Camp
Thursday 25th January	Year 9 Parents Evening 4 to 7pm



**Year 11's Save the Date...**

**The Year 11 Prom is scheduled to be on 28 June 2024.**



**COOL**  
FOOD NOT  
*School*  
**FOOD**



The Clever Chefs autumn menu is available on our website via the link below:

<https://www.clystvale.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/>



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# CHRISTMAS *menu*

## **MAIN EVENT**

Roast turkey, pigs in blankets, Yorkshire pudding, skin on roasties, roast parsnips, stuffing, carrots, peas, gravy.

## **VEGETARIAN**

Quorn Roast, skin on roasties, Yorkshire pudding, roast parsnips, stuffing, carrots, peas, gravy.

## **DESSERT**

Gingerbread

Wednesday 13th December 2023  
£2.40 for a main meal & desert



## Badminton Fixture

Well done to all the Key Stage 4 students who took part in the Key Stage 4 badminton fixture on Monday. St Peters and Tiverton were the visiting schools and brought with them some talented players from club up to England standard. The B squad girls captained by Dilly were outstanding in their first run out as a group with Grace, Gracie and Izzy representing the school in badminton for the first time. St Peters were soundly beaten 4-1 in games with smiles all round, some lovely power shots from Grace and deft drops shots from Gracie in front of a packed gallery of parents. The match versus Tiverton was a simpler affair with all the girls winning their games to romp home 5-0 winners. The A team girls had played at events before and Bethan looked assured as she saw off the St Peters rank number one player 11-4 in her game. Lilly and Tilly played with determination to narrowly beat their opponents 11-10 before Shola joined the match as rank number two player. It was here and in the boys games where some of the more practiced players shone through as Shola found the going tough. A win in the match 3-2.

The B squad boys were captained by Joe and he led the charge with a comfortable win over his St Peters counterpart. Behind him came the doubles pairing of Andrew and Archie who followed suit proving all the lunchtime practice as a pair pays off. Guy was called in as number 2 ranked player and did not disappoint as he despatched his opponent. In the end it was a 4-1 win over the visitor. Things got harder from here as Tiverton showed quality right through their boys squad. Although they battled well only Joe and Andrew could win their game and so Tiverton claimed victory 4-1. The toughest team proved to be the Tiverton A team with national standard experience in their ranks. Archie had all the power and skill, but every great shot was returned with interest and he was outplayed in his singles. Alex and Harry faired better but as a new pairing showed signs of a lack of practice. Mikey stepping up to the first team was excellent and only lost by one point 11-10 in his singles. A flicky smash and super backhand keeping him in the game. Despite their best efforts the match was lost 4-1. Sadly the evening was cut short with an error in the bookings and the St Peters match was one all at the close.

Everything packed away in under 3 minutes, loads of great badminton, a lovely atmosphere and a number of students from across the schools representing their schools in sport for the first time.





## Devon County Cup News...

### Tuesday 5th December: Clystvale vs Colyton Year 7s

With a hectic schedule over the last week it was the turn of the year 7s to try and progress to the next round of the cup. A squad of 14 strong travelled across to Colyton for their first game for the school after a cancellation from a previous fixture.

The squad lined up as followed: Will.W GK, a back three of Sam.T, Jack.D and Caleb.V, Sonny.M and Thomas make up the 2 in midfield with 3 upfront of Harry.C, Ruben.T and Elijah.F. The 5 subs were Jake.W, Deigan.H.M, Ollie.M Archie.W and Finlay.N.

With this being the first time the boys had played together it took a bit of time to work out positionings and where their teammates were playing and their role within the team. During this period the Colyton striker received the ball with a bit of time to set himself and rifled an unstoppable strike past the diving Will in goal. 1-0 Colyton. The Year 7s realised this would not be a pushover and settled well after conceding the first goal. Ruben, Harry and Sonny were linking up really well up top and created plenty of chances that were either blocked, saved or off the woodwork. Sonny played a lovely through ball in between the two Colyton defenders that Harry.C latched onto and calmly slotted it over the keeper. 1-1. Clystvale were relentless in the attack and continued to put pressure on the Colyton defence. This time it was Ruben who jinxed past two defenders giving himself a bit of time to compose himself before finessing the ball into the side netting to make it 2-1. Substitutions at this point saw Deigan and Jake come in to the game. More pressure from Clystvale saw more chances go begging which left the score 2-1 at half time.

More changes occurred as Caleb and Sam swapped for Archie and Ollie. Clystvale continued to dominate at the start of the second half more goals were sure to come. Ruben was brought down on the left hand side. Harry stepped up and rifled it into the top right corner. 3-1. Finlay swapped for Sonny and changed to a more defensive midfielder to secure it at the back. Thomas was next on the score sheet after a blistering run through the heart of the Colyton defence, he was brought down in the box. The Clystvale boys willing said he deserved to take it after his run, and he calmly slotted it home for 4-1. Thomas was at it again as an in-swinging corner to the near post, was met by the Colyton centre back who unfortunately glanced the header to the near post and into his own net. Full time 5-1.

An excellent display from the Year 7s with their first game a winning one. All the squad should be proud of their efforts and how they represented the school and I look forward to taking them to many more fixtures in the future.

Mr Stapleton

## More Devon County Cup News...

### Wednesday 29th November: Clystvale vs Axe Valley Year 10s

Year 10's headed to Axe Valley Academy to play the first round of the County Cup. Clyst Vale had a tricky first half of the game, they dominated possession but couldn't find that cutting edge and find the back of the net. Axe Valley had two threats upfront, but Clyst Vale dealt with them very well. The first half ended 0-0. At half time Mr Stapleton put Clyst Vale more attacking because he knew we could get goals in the game. As soon as the second half started and Clyst Vale were on the attack, Shaidon T slotted the ball calmly past the goalkeeper. As the second half went on Clyst Vale continued to dominate possession not letting Axe Valley have much of the ball. The final whistle went, and it was a comfortable win for Clyst Vale 5-0 with goals from Harry M (3) and Shaidon (2). Man of the Match was Harry B who was solid at centre back and didn't let any through. A comfortable win for the Year 10's who are now through to the 2nd round of the County Cup. A calm and professional display from the Year 10's as they look to solidify an ever-changing squad.

Charlie King

### Wednesday 6th December: Clystvale vs ISCA Year 8s

Year 8s turn this time, to try and make it 4/4 for Clystvale in the first rounds of the Devon County cup. A squad of 14 strong took the short trip across to ISCA. The squad was as follows: Joe C, George W, Fin T, Ollie P, Ed G, Jacob E, Harrison P, Henry G, Noah P, Noah K and Connor K with 3 subs of Oliver P, Charlie P and Ethan T.

With Clystvale starting well and dominating possession they struggled to create chances from a very tall and athletic ISCA defence. Both Noahs tried to dribble past to create openings, but the ISCA defence were too strong. ISCA took an early lead from a good finish. This bamboozled the Clystvale defence as ISCA pressed to get another. An early strike took Joe in goal by surprise and nestled into the corner 2-0 half time. The Year 8's stepped it up a gear in the second half and pressed with more desire and winning each individual battle. They were reward with a goal as Connor K linked up well with Noah K who calmly slotted the ball past the GK to make it 2-1. This flurry was short lived and ISCA fought back with 3 goals in the second half as it finished 5-1 ISCA.

A good effort from the boys but a strong and physical ISCA side were deserved winners on the day.

Mr D Stapleton

### Clystvale vs Teignmouth Year 9s

It was a wet, cold evening for the year 9s who had travelled to an even colder Teignmouth Community College. The game kicked off on the glorious Astro-turf provided and for the first 5 both teams battled out in the rain. Finally, after a dominant few minutes, the boys found an opener through Harry B after latching into a corner with a strong header to make it 1-0. Minutes later captain Ellis W found himself in the box after a ball from Luka R, and simply poked it into the net past the keeper, 2-0! After an amazing start Teignmouth found some rhythm and pulled a goal back but not long later Ellis W created some space and powered the ball through the keeper's legs to restore the 2 goal lead. A few minutes later that man again provided a crucial game changing goal with an absolute stunner, shifting the ball 20 yards out and hitting one into the top left corner to make it 4-1. 2 minutes later Max F made it 5 with a cool finish and a shot for Luka. On the verge of half time Luka R made it 6 with a nicely worked goal.

Half-time 6-1 CVCC

As the second half started a lack of concentration in early stages meant that Teignmouth made it 6-3 but not long after Luka R provided a crucial goal to make it 7-3. With a few minutes to go Harry B made it 8-3 with a cool finish into the corner. After a long 68 minutes Teignmouth managed to pull a goal back but there was no time for a comeback as the boys pulled through to win the fixture 8-4.

FULL-TIME CVCC 8-4 Teignmouth by Ellis Williams



## Devon Cross Country

Well done to Ruthie who represented Exeter Harriers in the Devon cross country championships at the weekend. The U13 girls competition was club based, not schools, but it is great to see students competing for Clyst Vale then taking their skills on to the local clubs.



## Boys Rugby Report

### Year 7: Clyst Vale 25-15 Tiverton:

Congratulations to the Year 7 lads who made it 7 from 7 wins in their rugby fixtures this term, the latest of these a 25-15 win over a strong Tiverton side. The boys were led by two Year 11 students, Archie J and Lenny B who deputised as Mr Pearce was refereeing a Year 9 game on the adjacent pitch and did a sterling job in leading the boys to another victory. By all accounts, the boys played well and improved their game in the second half, ending up deserved winners. Tries from Harry C, Sonny M, Max H and a Joe G brace, sealed the victory.

Congratulations to the squad: Jack D, Cian D, Joe G, Leo H, Max H, Charlie N, Oliver P, Henry T, Ruben T, Will W, Josh F, Sonny M, Harry P, Harry C, Jackson G, Ollie M, Jack C.

### Year 9: Clyst Vale 14-17 St Peters

The Clyst Vale lads were pipped for the second time in consecutive weeks by their near visitors. Unfortunately, injuries and availability issues scuppered the CVCC lads but despite this, they put out an excellent display of teamwork and commitment and nearly shocked the visitors with their comeback in the second half. Skipper, Jacob K and centre, George P scored very well taken tries upon receipt of poor exit kicks from the visitors and nearly edged the game our way. Outside half, Oliver E kicked two from two conversions.

We finish the term with a home game versus Tiverton next Wednesday at home.

Congratulations to the squad: Jacob K, George P, Aidan L, Oliver E, Michael B, Owen C, Ethan R, Oscar H, Oscar T, Seth C, Rudy S and Will J.

Mr Pearce





### Quiz Success

Well done to Post 16 tutor group 12JP for running the Year 7 charity quiz on Wednesday afternoon. 16 teams from across the tutor groups descended on the school hall with excitement and desire for chocolate and questioning. Rounds including Movies, Music, Animals and various picture rounds challenged the boys and girls. Many students had volunteered to represent their groups, but were selected on the basis of excellent behaviour and contributions to the school's weekly quiz. In the end Team Tinsels from 7GHE shared the win with RGG's Team Icicles.

Great fun and excellent leadership from the Post 16 student setting the perfect example to the super Year 7 students. Special thanks to Zach on the microphone, Milo in charge of the scoring table and Georgie for her hilarious Movies round.

### Non-Uniform Day winners

Here are the winners for Tuesday's extra non uniform day. This is a termly competition for the tutor group with the most achievement points.

It was super close. It will be reset for January so anyone can win at Easter.

Year 7= 1st: 7YCBO= 3896

2nd: 7RGG- 2840

3rd: 7GRTU=2825

Year 8= 1st-8YBH= 3011

2nd= 8GMN=2938

3rd= 8RTMA=2567

Year 9= 9YSWA- 2393

2nd= 9GDJ= 2207

3rd= 9RBAT= 2193

Year 10= 1st=10YSS=2429

2nd=10GDH=2243

10RSGA= 2175

Year 11= 1st= 11GGT= 1834

2nd= 11YLH=1782

3rd= 11YDST=1671



## Welcome to the December 2023 Scomis Online Safety Newsletter for Parents and Carers

### Remember—Set up devices!

With Christmas almost upon us, Scomis would like to take this opportunity to remind you of some important safety points to consider if your child is likely to receive a:

- SMART device (TV, Speaker—Alexa, Google)
- new mobile phone (Android/iPhone)
- games console
- tablet PC or laptop

#### Consider the following tips:

- Make sure the device is working correctly
- Charge it up
- Set up the device and try it before you wrap it up
- Check the parental controls
- Check the safety settings
- Ensure filtering is applied to your home's Wi-Fi

Need help with the above points. Check advice published on the following websites:

Internet Matters [Parental controls](#) Step by step guides for Broadband, Smartphones, Social Media, Games Consoles.

View and download their [checklist](#).

Parentzone [Setting up new technology](#) Access Parentzone's library of resources [here](#). Read their complete guide to setting up [SMART toys and speakers](#)

Childnet review advice on [Screen Time](#) and boundaries.

Find out what the 'experts' and 'parents' say. Find out what children and young people think

UK Safer Internet Centre's [Parent Guide](#) Advice on using:

[SMART speakers safely](#) includes setting up parental controls

[SMART TVs](#) includes how to use safely and parental controls

[Games Consoles](#) includes top tips to stay safe - **think about the location of the game console!**

NSPCC Find out all about [CHAT Apps](#) and how to keep your child safe when using:

WhatsApp; Kik; Telegram; Omegle;

Gaming Chats; Chat Rooms; [Live Streaming and Video Apps](#)

Try the NSPCC's [Online Safety quiz](#)

STOP PRESS! In this newsletter, we have also included a link to Netflix's

[Help Centre for setting up Parental Controls](#)

#### Learn how to:

[Create a profile for kids](#)

[Set profile maturity ratings or block titles](#)

[Turn autoplay previews on or off](#)

[Access viewing history for a profile](#)

### Remember — Talk to your child about Online Safety!

#### Do you know the key issues?

Visit the following websites to find out:

Parentzone – [Guides for parents](#) review digital guides, advice and videos on social media including:

[Cyber Security](#), [Virtual Reality](#), [Loot Boxes](#) and much more

CommonSense Media – [Age based media reviews](#) for families, including Games, Apps, Films and TV, books.

ThinkUKnow - [Advice on keeping your under 5 safe](#)

Learn about [Jessie & Friends](#)—advice for 4-7 year olds.

Watch the advice [films for 8-10 year olds](#)

Review the [advice for 11-18 year olds](#)

Get Safe Online advice on how to [protect yourself](#), your family, your finances and devices online during the festive season.

### Reminder—Be a good digital parent!

- Keep your passwords safe and **do not** share them
- Schedule notifications to turn off for certain times of the day
- Think about what **you** are sharing online. Are you [sharing](#) too much and putting your kids in danger?
- Give practical tips for dealing with unwanted content, conduct or contact
- Show your child how to take screen shots
- Reassure your child that they can talk to you or another trusted adult to ask for help

Need help? Visit the following websites for more guidance:

Vodafone's [Digital Parenting](#) Helping your family live a happy and safe digital life

Childnet's Parent and Carers [Toolkit](#). Access to resources

offering practical tips on keeping your

child safe online, including:

[Parents and Carers Resource Sheet](#)

UK Safer Internet Centre's

[Advice on key online issues](#) includes guidance on how to report, when to report, where to report.

Internet Matters

[Helping parents keep their children safe online](#) find out about trending topics such as [market place Apps like Temu](#).



Childnet

### Online Safety resources for children with SEND

NSPCC partnering with [Ambitious about Autism](#), have created online safety tips, advice and activities for parents and carers of children with SEND, including children with dyslexia, autism and speech and language difficulties.

Access resources listed below:

[Sharing personal details](#)

[Friendships online](#)

[One-page profile](#)

[Cyberbullying for children with SEND visual article](#)

[Talking to people online for children with SEND visual article](#)

Sharing personal details



### Remember — Many devices now connect to the Internet!

- Internet connected devices can send and receive data
- Examples of internet connected devices include:
  - Doorbells, CCTV, Toys, robots, drones and much more
- If not set up properly, the risks include being hacked:
- Software developers or hackers may be connected to your device without your knowledge
- Baby monitors, children's tablets, drone toys, can be hacked and used by people outside of your home.

Find out how to keep you and your family safe and visit the [NSPCC's website](#)

### HELP IN THE HOLIDAYS!

Don't forget! advice is just a phone call away from the [NSPCC helpline](#) 0808 800 5000

Childline 0800 1111

Websites to check:

[Childnet's Parent and Carer's](#)

[Toolkit](#)

[ThinkUKnow's advice for Parents](#)

Have a happy safe Christmas!



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# Rough Sleeper Christmas Wishlist 2023

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for helping us show  
people without a  
home that they are  
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purchased via our  
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[https://goo.gl/  
LYDetR](https://goo.gl/LYDetR)

## Survival Essentials

Rucksacks & dry sacks  
Sleeping bags  
Men's belts  
Camping roll-mats  
Trainers & lightweight walking shoes  
Men's jeans & joggers  
Small women's jeans, joggers, leggings  
Hoodies  
New boxer shorts & small ladies underwear  
Socks  
Waterproof coats & trousers

## Small Gifts:

Chocolate bars & festive treats  
Small thermos flasks  
Battery packs (for mobile phones)  
£5 Greggs gift cards  
Hand warmers  
Hairbrushes

Please note **80%**  
of the people  
we work with  
are **male**.

To prevent waste,  
please donate small  
gifts loose, wrapped  
or in small bags.  
(**NOT shoeboxes  
please**).

### Donation Drop-Off:

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11am—5.30pm,  
Tuesday—Saturday  
(Car drop-off at rear)

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**Christmas is coming and so are the Grandparents!** Is Christmas a struggle when the Grandparents don't really understand your young person's challenges around this time of year? Is it tricky when your son/daughter doesn't like surprises or haven't asked for the gifts they are given? Does your young person struggle to eat at the table? Do they insist on their usual foods rather than Christmas dinner? Does your son or daughter like to remain in their bedroom during the Christmas festivities? They don't like the Christmas decorations and are struggling to be a part of the school performance? Would it help if someone explained these needs rather than you? Well, we can help! We are holding a Grandparent Session at our Exeter Centre in Pinhoe on Friday 15th December from 1.30 to 3.30 pm to help Grandparents make sense of some of the challenges faced by families. The cost is £10 per person and includes free parking and refreshments. Numbers are limited so to reserve a place (or places) for the Grandparents in your family email us at [infoswautism@gmail.com](mailto:infoswautism@gmail.com) and we will forward payment details to you.



January 2024

# Newsletter

## LET'S FACE THE NEW YEAR!

Tuesday  
16th Jan  
19:00 - 20:00  
FREE



**FREE SESSION**  
**Cannabis Awareness**  
Get the facts so you can have the conversation

Thursday  
4th Jan  
19:00 - 21:00  
£24



**Supporting a Child with ADHD**  
Challenging stereotypes, explaining what ADHD is and offering a range of interventions that can make lasting differences.

Monday  
8th Jan  
19:00 - 21:00  
£24



**Autism: Improving Communication**  
Small changes in how you communicate, lead to huge improvements with your ability to communicate with someone on the spectrum.

Tuesday  
9th Jan  
19:00 - 21:00  
£24



**Getting a Good Night**  
Screen Addiction, insomnia, energy drinks and more. Get a range of extremely useful ideas on how to get quality sleep.

[facefamilyadvice.co.uk](http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)

[info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk](mailto:info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk)

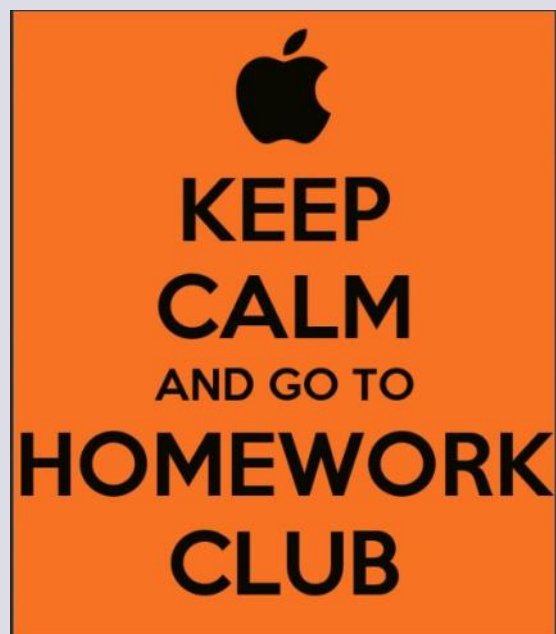
## Library



Mock/GCSE pencil cases. Available from September. £4.50 per pencil case. We also sell calculators for £10- although prices may vary. What's included? A clear pencil case, 1 pencil, a blue, black, and red pen. 1 highlighter. 1 ruler, a compass, a protractor, a rubber and a sharpener. **Cash only** unfortunately.

The library does sell stationery all year round. |

Homework Club in IT2  
Monday to Friday Lunchtime  
1.30-2pm  
Monday to Thursday After-  
school 3.30—4.45pm





Clyst Vale Library is a dual use library located within Clyst Vale Community College. The library is open to the public on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, and is open to the students at Clyst Vale Community College throughout the week.

The entrance to access the library is through Clyst Vale's main entrance (reception,) then turning right, from there you will see the libraries entrance.

Public opening hours; Monday **3.30 – 5.30pm**, Wednesday **3.30- 5.30pm** and Thursday **4 –6pm**

### **EduLink and contacting the College**

Please do not address emails, or replies to EduLink messages, to [EduLink@clystvale.org](mailto:EduLink@clystvale.org). It is an unmonitored mailbox and will not go to anyone. Parents/carers need to reply to EduLink 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 [admin@clystvale.org](mailto:admin@clystvale.org).

There is also a contact form and details here: <http://www.clystvale.org/contact-us/>



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## **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/Cath Prunty (Attendance Officers)

Direct line: 01392 463911

Email: [studentabsence@clystvale.org](mailto: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](mailto:voyseys@clystvale.org) and copy in Head of Sixth Form: [haynesc@clystvale.org](mailto:haynesc@clystvale.org)