

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has." – Margaret Mead

Principal's Update



Sara Jacobs
Principal



Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to all parents and carers of students in year 7 and year 8 who have supported your child with producing a shoebox for the Christmas Shoebox Appeal. We are truly grateful for the overwhelming generosity shown. This initiative has been a great success, reflecting our commitment to fostering compassion and encouraging students to think of others. Look out for more details in next week's newsletter.

Last week, we celebrated Diversity Week, reflecting our commitment as a Gold Award Rights Respecting School (RRS) to fostering a community rooted in equality, dignity, respect, and participation. Next week, you will have the chance to hear from our Youth Cultural Champions, who were interviewed by the BBC about their involvement in this important initiative. These interviews will aired between 11:30 am and noon as part of the BBC's Daytime programme, offering a wonderful opportunity to hear how their participation has nurtured a sense of belonging, pride, and confidence. Their eloquence and passion during the interviews were a true credit to the College.

It is disappointing that I must again raise the issue of parents and carers driving onto the College site and using the car park at the end of the school day. Despite our previous requests, many vehicles continue to enter the car park, posing a significant safety risk to our students. To safeguard all students, we may now have to implement measures to restrict access to the car park during this time. While this would involve financial costs—funds we would prefer to allocate to other priorities—student safety is our absolute priority. I would also like to take this opportunity to remind parents and carers to avoid parking in private roads or obstructing access to nearby properties. As a community school, maintaining positive relationships with our neighbours is essential, and this requires showing them the respect and consideration that reflect our shared values.

Finally, I would like to thank those who take the time to acknowledge and share positive feedback about our staff. Your kind words mean a great deal to my colleagues who regularly go above and beyond to support your children. Parental feedback is invaluable, and we encourage you to share your views by completing the online questionnaire shared after each parents' evening. A link to the survey is also available in the student services section of this newsletter, please do continue to provide feedback on a regular basis as your views are valuable in supporting us to improve the quality of experience for all students at the College.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sara Jacobs, Principal

20 NOV OPEN EVENT — NOVEMBER

📅 20 Nov 2024

🕒 16:00 - 20:00

Open Events are the perfect way to find out more about life at Exeter College. Our Open Events are for school leavers, those looking for an Apprenticeship and adult learners interested in professional or degree level courses or leisure courses.

Taking place on **Wednesday 20 November 2024**, an Open Event is a chance for anyone interested in joining us to find out more about we offer. Year 9, 10 and 11 students are welcome to register, as well as adult learners and those interested in apprenticeships and higher education.

Key Dates for next week

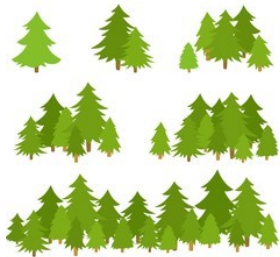
Autumn Term Dates

10 December—Christmas Carol Concert

20 December—Non Uniform Day for St Petrocks

20 December—Last Day of Term Finish 1.30pm

House System



This week we revealed the results of the votes to name our new house system. In third place was the theme of local homes and in second place the theme of famous Devonians. The winning theme was local woodlands and the three houses will be named Ashclyst (Red), Hembury (Yellow), and Danes (Green).

We are now running a competition for students to design a logo that represents their house using any type of media. The deadline for entries is Monday 9th December and students will need to hand their designs in to their form tutor, making sure their name is on them. We look forward to seeing the designs in a few weeks' time.

Outdoor Table Tennis Tables



After much sorting and checking of Health & Safety, we are pleased to announce that the outdoor table tennis tables are now free for use.

They can be accessed before school, break and at lunch.

Equipment can be borrowed from the PE department before school or at lunch in exchange for a tie.

The tables are located in the playground by Maths, on the plaza and one for Post 16 use in their outdoor café area.

News from Post 16

James Sherwood from MADE Training visited Post 16 on Wednesday to deliver bespoke training sessions for Year 12 and Year 13. MADE training are experts in thinking, learning and revision strategies and have successfully been working with our A-level students for many years.

Year 12's session, 'Stepping Up', addressed the shift in gear from GCSE to A-levels and suggested strategies to deal with these new demands. The students focussed on developing creative thinking to enhance concentration and reduce stress; solving problems and making informed decisions; becoming active readers and taking meaningful notes, using the Cornell method; and applying the 'Win-Learn-Change' reflection technique to their learning.

Year 13, who are that bit closer to their final examinations, took part in the 'Exams Made Easy' session, which is specifically centred around successful revision strategies. James outlined a range of methods to enable students to measure their own progress and attainment through benchmarking; he covered techniques from mind mapping to spatial memory ('The Memory Palace') to creating effective cue cards. All of these approaches help students improve their memory skills and become more aware of their own abilities and potential. Hopefully Year 13 are now feeling a bit more confident and positive as they begin to prepare for their mock exams in January!

Next week, we are looking forward to our Post 16 Hustings on Wednesday, when we will select our Y12 and Y13 representatives for the Student Board.

On Thursday, several of our students will be joining the Othello trip to Stratford upon Avon, which is set to be a real highlight of the autumn term!

Student of the Week

Holly Barber 7GAW Zak Rogers 7GLBA Joshua Hilton 7RKJO 7RCMO Lillie-Rose Green 7YDST Freddie Williams 7YEHA	Millie Harris 8GRTU Harrison Fawkes 8GTBE Lily Rose 8RER Jack Rendle 8RMCU NP2N 8YCBO Charlie Norman 8YCFL	Elan Underhill 9GMNA Nevaeh Stainer 9GLTH NP2N 9RDFE Aiden Smith 9RGWW Lexi Salter 9YGGA Imogen Gater 9YBH
Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
NP2N 10GCMC NP2N 10GMTH Rosie Hamilton 10RBAT Caitlin Baird 10RNS Jasmine Lopez 10YMBR George Martin 10YSWA	NP2N 11GABR Tilly Wren 11GDH Bronnie Cassap 11RZB Summer Stone 11RSGA Bryn Matthews 11YSS Brooke Stewart 11YADA	Lena Gazda 13ZKH
Year 10	Year 11	P16 Commendation



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.

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Year 9 Parents' Evening Thursday 12 December 2024



This is a virtual meeting through [SchoolCloud - Clyst Vale Community College](#). This will be open for all Year 9 parents/carers to book from Wednesday 20th November. Any issues please contact studentservices@clystvale.org or Mrs Grant's direct telephone line 01392 463910.

Nasal Flu immunisations Thursday 5th December 2024

Please fill the consent form from Kernow Healthcare to consent or abstain your child/ children for the nasal spray flu immunisation. <https://www.kernowimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>. The code for Clyst Vale is DV136638.

Please submit your consent form by midday on 2 nd December 2024 to ensure your child receives their vaccination. If you experience any problems accessing the form, please telephone 01872 221105 for Cornwall schools and 01392 342678 for Devon schools and the team will be happy to help. Please note that as in previous years you must opt into the programme. If a consent form is not submitted your child will not be vaccinated.

Parent Questionnaire

As stated in Ms Jacobs introduction of this week's newsletter, here is the link to the parent questionnaire for feedback.

<https://forms.office.com/e/DRcyWsnFX5>

Any issues please contact Studentservices@clystvale.org

School Nursing service for 11 – 19's



Did you know, if you are aged 11-19 and live in Devon you can contact your school nurse for confidential [advice and support](#) via text on 07520631722? It's quick and easy, anonymous, and non-judgemental and a school nurse will respond within 24 hours (between the hours of Mon – Fr 9 - 5, excluding bank holidays).

You can request support from us online via a short form. Find out more about how to do this and what information we need [here](#).

You can also find lots of information about different subjects and health needs and where you can get support if you need it via our [website](#).

Stagecoach payments



This week we have had quite a few card payments declined on Stagecoach. Please be aware that payments by cards takes a few days to clear on the account. Therefore, if the account doesn't have money on it when the collection of money is attempted, a 30 day block is put on that card. If the card is then used during that 30 day block, the block starts again for another 30 days. To secure a safe journey for your child, you may wish to give them an emergency fund in their bag.

Student Services Updates and Reminders

LUNCH CLUBS Autumn Term 2024

Day	Club	Time	Where	Changing Room	Teacher
Monday	GCSE Spanish Revision	Lunchtime	MF4		Mrs McConachie
Monday Week A	GCSE French Club	13:40-14:00	MF2		Mrs Theeten & Ms McConnachie
Monday	Maths Set 2 Year 11	Lunchtime	MA8		Miss Barratt
Monday	Music Practice Club	Lunchtime	PA2		Mr Hawkins
Monday	GCSE Religious Studies revision	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Monday	Badminton – Years 7/8/9	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell
Monday	Weights – Years 10/11/12/13	Lunchtime	Studio		Mr Pearce
Monday	Badminton Year 10-13	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell
Monday	Weights Year 10-11	Lunchtime	Dance Studio		Mr Pearce Mr Court
Monday	Dungeons & Dragons Club Week B	Lunchtime	IT3		Mr Bailey
Tuesday Week A	Science Club – Year 7 & 8 – Week A	Lunchtime	SC9		Miss Tuthill/Ms Spencer
Tuesday	Choir	Lunchtime	PA2		Mr Hawkins
Tuesday	Speedcubing	Lunchtime	HU2		Mrs Harrison
Tuesday	Dance 7/8/9	Lunchtime	Studio	Humanities	Miss Hall
Tuesday (after Oct half term)	Ten Tors – Years 9 to 11	Lunchtime	IT4		Mr Eales/Miss Barratt
Tuesday	Amnesty	Lunchtime	EN7		Miss Watt
Tuesday	Year 7 Book Club	Lunchtime	Library		Mrs Southard
Tuesday	Games Club- Year 7-9	Lunchtime	HU5		Ms Jenkins
Tuesday	Ten Tors	Lunchtime	IT4		Miss Barratt
Tuesday	Football 7-11 Girls	Lunchtime	Field	Humanities	Mr Stapleton
Tuesday	Girls Basketball – All Years	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Humanities	Mrs Elliot
Tuesday	BTEC Enterprise Coursework Catchup	Lunchtime	IT5		Ms Jones & Ms Prance
Wednesday	Badminton – Year 10/11/12/13	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell
Wednesday	Rock Club- Music	Lunchtime	PA3		Mr Kidd
Wednesday	Film Club	Lunchtime	HU6		Miss Matthews
Wednesday	Fitness- Year 10/11	Lunchtime	Studio	-	Mrs Broomfield
Wednesday Week B	LGBTQ+	Lunchtime	MF1		Ms McConnachie
Wednesday	GCSE Photography	Lunchtime	IT4		Mrs Wakefield
Thursday	GCSE Spanish Revision	Lunchtime	MF4		Mrs McConachie
Thursday	Geographers Club	Lunchtime	HU8		Mr Thomas
Thursday	Hospitality and Catering Catch Up Year 10	Lunchtime	IT1		Miss Collins
Thursday	History Club- All Years	Lunchtime	HU7		Miss Nash
Thursday	Indoor Football – Year 10	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Stapleton
Thursday	Girls Fitness – Year 10 & 11	Lunchtime	Studio	Humanities	Mrs Broomfield
Thursday	Girls Football – Years 7 to 9	Lunchtime	Field	Humanities	Mr Stapleton
Thursday	GCSE Dance Club – Year 10 & 11	Lunchtime	Studio	Humanities	Mrs Elliott
Thursday	GCSE Art Club	Lunchtime	AR2		Mrs Walton
Friday	Year 10 Beginners German	Lunchtime	MR4		Mrs McConachie
Friday	Inter Tutor	Lunchtime	Various	Various	Mr Pearce Mr Powell Miss Hall Mrs Broomfield
Friday	Indoor Football – Post 16 & Year 11	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Stapleton
Friday	Yu-Gi-Oh Club All Years	Lunchtime	SC3		Mr Moxey
Friday	Jazz Band	Lunchtime	PA3		Mr Hawkins

After School Clubs Autumn Term 2024

Day	Club	Time	Where	Changing Room	Teacher
Monday	Homework Club	3:30-4:45PM	IT2		Supervisor
Monday	GCSE Dance Year 10	3:30-4:30PM	Studio	Humanities	Miss Hall
Tuesday	Homework Club	3:30-4:45PM	IT2		Supervisor
Tuesday	GCSE Music	3:30-4:30PM	PA3		Mr Hawkins & Mr Kidd
Tuesday	Netball Year 9	3:30-4:30PM	Courts	Humanities	Miss Hall
Wednesday	Homework Club	3:30-4:45PM	IT2		Supervisor
Wednesday	Drama- All Years	3:20-4:45PM	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Wednesday	GCSE Revision Sport Studies/ PE Catch up	3:20- 4:30PM	IT3		Mrs Broomfield
Wednesday	Rugby Year 7/8/9/10/11	3:20-4:30PM	Field	Humanities	Mr Pearce, Mr Powell, Mr Stapleton
Wednesday	Netball Year 7 & 8	3:20-4:30PM	Courts	Humanities	Mrs Elliot, Miss Curtis
Wednesday Week B	GCSE Food Catch up	3:30-4:30PM	DT2		Mrs Crook
Thursday	Homework Club	3:30-4:45PM	IT2		Supervisor
Thursday	GCSE D&T	3:20- 5PM	DT1 & DT2		Mr Arthur & Mr Hewlett
Thursday	GCSE Spanish		MF4		Mrs McConachie
Thursday	Cooking Club Yr 8/9 (before Feb Half term)	3:30-4:30/5PM	DT3		Miss Collins
Thursday	Cooking Club Yr 7 (After Feb Half term)	3:30-4:30/5PM	DT3		Miss Collins
Thursday Week A	GCSE Food Catch up Session	3:30-4:30PM	DT2		Mrs Crook
Thursday	Netball Year 10/ 11	3:30-4:30PM	Courts	Humanities	Mrs Broomfield
Thursday	Table tennis Year 9 invite only	3:30-4:30PM	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Pearce

Colour Coding Physical = Yellow, Volunteering = Red, Skill = Blue

Exeter and District Badminton

For the first time ever Clyst Vale played host to the Exeter and District Badminton tournament as round 1 of the nationals commenced. The Key Stage 3 students had one team of girls led by Kasey and two teams of boys led by Elliot and Harvey. All the players selected were year 8 and were a year younger than virtually all the opposition. However, they have trained hard all year and really competed well. The girls team included Aimee, Merryn and Raisa, all of whom played out of their skins, diving for shots, chasing down clears and offering a good challenge to the older visitors from Maynard and Blundells. In the end they fell just short, but should feel proud of their efforts and have next year to look forward to. Kasey was picked out by the visiting staff as a natural leader and tenacious and talented player on court.

The boys were split into an A and a B squad and again the boys showed some super skills. Josh stepped in the day before and then even later Ewan was called upon on the day, dusting off his racket and reminding those there why he was a force in year 7. Elliot as captain and Stan as his second pushed and smashed their way through their singles matches and both drew praise from the other players.

The A team comprised Harvey and Dexter as one and two, with Archie and Tristan as their doubles team mates. Although the opposition were tough the guile of Harvey, power of Dexter and all round skill and movement of Archie and Tristan meant not a match was lost. They now qualify for the next round where they will meet the rest of Devon. Next week it is the turn of the KS4 students and we will all be hoping they can join the younger lads in the next round. A brilliant day of badminton enjoyed by all.

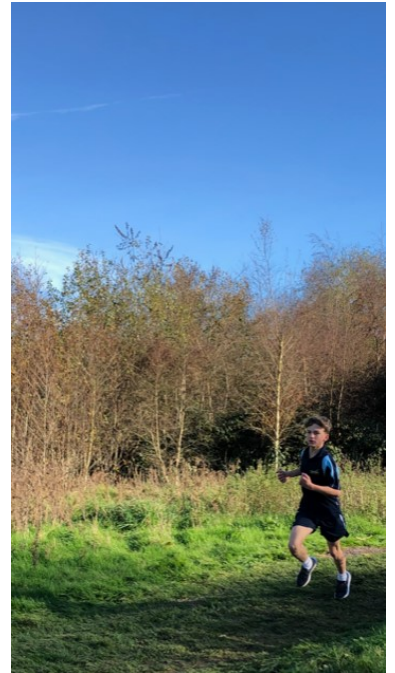




Exeter and District Cross-country Round 1

Superb weather over the last few weeks had dried the normally muddy Blundells course to a hard packed path that the Clyst Vale squad took full advantage of. First on course was Ruthie who ran with a metronomic and measured approach. She kept up with the leaders until the last lap, but qualified 8th out of a huge field of 100 other girls. Next Noah and Will hit the fields and whilst Will ran home in a personal best of 20th, it was Noah who battled with the leader right to the end coming in a superb second. With the sun shining four of our year 10 girls lined up at the start. Newcomers Esmee and Rosie, along side three year veterans Willow and Kate. All four girls ran in to qualify with Kate gliding in as first of the Clyst Vale athletes followed by a very determined Esmee, before Willow and Rosie soon after.

The last race brought our Jasper and expectations were high. He was tracked closely on the first of the four laps, but by the second he opened up a gap and the rest of the field gradually faded. A strong run and a fine win. Brilliant running from all the Clyst Vale students, although the next round in two weeks time will no doubt be a muddier affair.



Year 7 Boys Rugby—Honiton 5-30 Clyst Vale

Congratulations to the Year 7 boys who made it 2/2 this term with a strong and convincing win away at Honiton Community College on Wednesday. The game was hosted in beautiful weather conditions at Honiton, with this lending itself to some outstanding skills on show from both sides, which included silky running, handling and sharp contact skills.

Skipper, Reid B won the toss and opted for his team to kick off, with Clyst Vale taking the ascendancy almost immediately with some strong carries of the ball and dominant tackling of the opposition. Despite this only being the team's second outing, they synced very well and scored several tries from multi phase possession, with several passes leading to many of the scores out in the wide channels.

Reid B notched a couple of scores, picking and going from close range and was certainly tackler of the game. Another player was very unlucky not to have added to the tally with his pacy run to the corner being ruled out by the referee for non-grounding of the ball. Jake B made several jinking runs, with physical Emyr B making some really strong carries. Jimbo B scored twice, with both scores being on the end of some fine team play with Jimbo having plenty of gas to outpace the opposition. Corey R's pace matched this, with his pace onto the ball being a real highlight, again with him notching two scores of his own.

Scrum half, Ashton S delivered good ball from the base of rucks and the full back showed outstanding aerial skills, kicking ability from restarts and handling in the backline. Henry B gained a score from his incessant strong carrying and tackling abilities, really holding the team together. Oliver P made several carries from rucks and really is developing well as a tight forward, with another player's pace and athleticism gaining Clyst Vale several metres each time he touched the ball.

Jenson R, in his first ever contact rugby game came on in the second half and laid on a brilliant assist for Jimbo B's second try and the carrying, rucking and tackling ability of another player was inherent throughout the game and gave Clyst Vale lots of go forward ball.

Well done to all of the squad who represented the College flawlessly, both on and off the field. Their next challenge is in two weeks time where they play Blundells away on Wednesday 27 November.

Mr Pearce

Year 8 and 9 Boys Rugby @ ISCA 7s

Congratulations to both the respective Y8 and Y9 rugby squads who participated in the second annual ISCA College Rugby 7s event this week. Clyst Vale took two strong squads to the event, with the much appreciated assistance of parents of Oliver and Buddy helping with transport in addition to the minibus.

The Year 8 squad, who have (still) yet to lose a rugby game for Clyst Vale set out their aim to win the competition from the off, with strong wins in the group stage against St James School (5 tries to 1), ISCA (6-0), St Peters (4-1) and Stoke Damerel (4-1). These games were sandwiched with a very intense game versus Okehampton College which ended in a 1-1 draw after they scored a well-deserved equalising score at the death.

Scorers were shared between free scoring and powerful runner Joe G at Centre, jinking outside back, Harry C, outstanding tackler of the day, Oliver P, big second rows, Jack D and Max H, sniping Captain and scrum half, Sonny M, big winger Harry P, hooker Leo H and outside half, Cian D.

As Clyst Vale topped the group, we had a deserved bye to the final, where we once again played Okehampton College and this time made the job much more simpler, playing with the wind and winning the game 3-0 and winning the overall tournament.

Crucial scores were made by Charlie N (x2), the first an outstanding individual grubber, chase and grounding with the final try notched by who other than Joe G

Henry T in the backline continued to provide a great link to both forwards and backs, Will W used his great handling skills to gather some high kicks from the opposition and Ruben Tu made several ankle low tackles which stopped the opposition in very dangerous areas.



The Year 9 lads eventually bowed out of the tournament at the Quarter Final stage, losing by 4 tries to 1 versus St Peters. They had a tough start to the day, losing 3-1 to Stoke Damerel but recovered well to beat Okehampton College 3-2 and Marine Academy 5-2. Free scoring Zak B scored 4 tries in one game in the latter of the games, with skipper Connor K providing a handful of scores as well as ever positive leadership. Will A scored some nice breakaway tries and arching runs, with Thomas A being powerful within the forwards. Joe C linked forwards and backs well, with Rudey S's tackling a real standout throughout the day. Aiden S showed great pace on the wing with another player making several key passes and assists to tries. Josh S was a strong powerful runner and key strike runner for us with Noah P making several key tackles and lovely gliding runs in attack.

A big thank you must go to Mr Payne for assisting Mr Pearce with the Year 8 side throughout the day and, big thanks must go to Y12 student, Josh Jones, who helped run the Year 9 side with Mr Pearce, imparting his outstanding knowledge to the boys and was ultra positive throughout.

All students were a credit to Clyst Vale throughout the day. Congratulations to both squads.

Round 3 - National Cup U15's—Clyst Vale vs Coombeshead , 7th November 2024

The same squad of players were available for the next round fixture that saw Clyst Vale on an amazing Cup run beating Tiverton and Dawlish in the previous rounds. Coombeshead being a new opponent that they had not faced before so the girls were optimistic. Unfortunately the ever steady Miley was absence at CB and Leona was unable to play which vacated a space on the wing. Vannessa stepped into CB and Sophia.L was back available and played at RB with Wiktorija getting her first start up front allowing Sophia.T to drop into a free roaming CM position.



Clyst Vale started well and attacking straight from kick off. Sophia B and Grace linking up well together and the defensive line being solid at the back. It was Sophia B who opened the scoring as she jinxed inside onto her left foot to get past one defender before shifting it quickly to her right and unleashing a looping drive over the top of the goalkeeper. Clyst Vale kept on creating chances with some lovely crosses into the box which were narrowly missed. The defence were solid with Sophie in goal having to make sure she stayed awake in case she was needed. Grace was next on the scoresheet as she hit a low drive past the keeper and not long after the goal of the day from Sophia T with her weaker foot latched on to a poor clearance and hitting it from 20 yards with her left foot into the top corner. 3-0 it finished at half time.

Second half started with Clyst Vale keeping possession and winning it back instantly as Coombeshead tried to get into the attacking half. The scores stayed as they were for a good 15 minutes before eventually after near misses all game Daisy notched a calm and collected finish to make it 4-0. There was still time for one more goal as the last minute arrived and the corner came in. Ameera who had came up for the last corner volley home the loose ball to make it 5-0. An excellent team performance again from the girls and they are looking very promising going into the next round.

Football Friendly Fixture U13's—Clyst Vale vs Uffculme, 12th November 2024

A bright sunny evening awaited the girls for their first fixture of the year as they faced off against Uffculme in a friendly fixture. A squad of 10 was organised at late notice to fill the fixture so excellent dedication and organisation from the girls and with Uffculme bringing 13 we decided to go all in with a 10 vs 10 game to facilitate more players. The line up was as follows with Tiana in goal, Belle, Maisy and Ava in defence, Lily, River, Izzy and Connie made up the midfield, with Lila and Betty playing out of position as the two strikers.



Uffculme were very much the stronger side and attacked very well moving the ball nicely through the defence to the midfield. This did not put off the Clyst Vale girls as they held their own and battled well to stop the ball from going in the net. Tiana was on fire stopping everything that came flying her way whether this was low or high. Ava, Belle and Maisy were firm in their defence and cleared anything that was loose. Izzy, Connie, Betty and Lily were trying to find the strikers were possible but also did a fantastic job at defending and support the defenders when needed. Betty was firm in her tackles and chased everything as well as stepping back into midfield to support. Lila was everywhere from tackling at the back, to closing down the defenders and did not look like she was playing a year up. With Uffculmes pressure mounting in the last 5 minutes a long ball was played over the top of the defence which left Tiana facing another 1 v 1 which she dealt with well on numerous occasions beforehand but unfortunately on this occasion the striker got the better of her and found the corner of the goal to make it 1-0. With only minutes left on the clock Clyst Vale saw their only opportunity find the net. A ball played through the line of defence by Lila was met by the rushing keeper who dived on the ball but fumble it as she tried to grasp it. The ever chasing Betty managed to free the ball and kicked it in the open goal to make it 1-1. Final score Clyst Vale 1 - Uffculme 1. A fantastic defensive display by the girls who managed to clinch a draw.

Year 9 + 11 Netball League

We are pleased to announce that our Year 9 and Year 11 netball team have been selected to take part in the East Devon netball league. Tuesday 12th November commenced our first home fixture against Exmouth Community College.



Despite playing well, our talented Year 9 team unfortunately lost against Exmouth with a score of 28-17. This was against a very strong team who were previous league winners. We have been very impressed by our newly formed A team squad, who have committed to an extra training session each week. Halle Baker-Holmes and Sophia Lilley moved well around the centre court, demonstrating good ball placement, to allow our talented shooters Jess Sandford and Florence Mackie to shoot 17 goals! Grace Hill played well as our WA but was up against a strong WD. Grace adapted her speed to outwit her defender and managed to maintain the team's possession. Our very talented defenders who overturned the ball consistently in the first quarter were Laila Brown, Lily Tomkins-Pope and Sophia Tagg. We are super proud of our Year 9 team and we are looking forward to seeing them progress further as the league continues.

Year 11 secured a fantastic win with a score of 36-13. The teamwork and energy was consistent throughout the game and the set play was embedded within the game. Amy Bourne and Poppy Golightly demonstrated their strong shooting skills by obtaining a high score in each quarter. Brooke Barlow, Bronnie Cassap and Shola Dow dominated the centre court, ensuring we maintained possession of the ball. For our defending team, we had Jess Massey, Molly Heath, Kate Dearden-Watts and Grace Alexander who consistently overturned the ball giving us shooting opportunities, to win the game. A promising start to the Year 11 league. Good luck next week with your fixture against Colyton.

Miss Hall and Mrs Broomfield

Reading Recommendations Newsletter

Welcome to our new half-termly reading newsletter. In each edition, we will recommend books from a variety of styles and genres, to inspire readers across all year groups.



Year 7

Things Tally is dreading about sixth grade:

-- Being in classes without her best friends-- New (scratchy) uniforms-- Hiding her autism Tally isn't ashamed of being autistic -- even if it complicates life sometimes, it's part of who she is. But this is her first year at Kingswood Academy, and her best friend, Layla, is the only one who knows. And while a lot of other people are uncomfortable around Tally, Layla has never been one of them . . . until now.



Year 8

Romania, 1989. Communist regimes are crumbling across Europe. Seventeen-year-old Cristian Florescu dreams of becoming a writer, but Romanians aren't free to dream; they are bound by rules and force. Amidst the tyrannical dictatorship of Nicolae Ceausescu in a country governed by isolation and fear, Cristian is blackmailed by the secret police to become an informer. He's left with only two choices: betray everyone and everything he loves—or use his position to creatively undermine the most notoriously evil dictator in Eastern Europe.



Year 9

Avery Grambs has a plan for a better future: survive high school, win a scholarship, and get out. But her fortunes change in an instant when billionaire Tobias Hawthorne dies and leaves Avery virtually his entire fortune. The catch? Avery has no idea why -- or even who Tobias Hawthorne is. To receive her inheritance, Avery must move into sprawling, secret passage-filled Hawthorne House, where every room bears the old man's touch -- and his love of puzzles, riddles, and codes.



Years 10&11

Harry Patch, the last British soldier alive to have fought in the trenches of the First World War, is now 108 years old and one of very few people who can directly recall the horror of that conflict. Harry vividly remembers his childhood in the Somerset countryside of Edwardian England. He left school in 1913 to become an apprentice plumber but three years later was conscripted, serving as a machine gunner in the Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry. Fighting in the mud and trenches during the Battle of Passchendaele, he saw many of his closest friends die.

This half-term, year 10 have been enjoying:



Attendance, Absence and Requests for Absence

Reporting an Absence

Parents are expected to inform us of their child's absence before 9.00 a.m. on each day of absence providing the reason for absence. 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. In addition, the College may ask you to provide medical proof if your child is absent from College due to illness.

Lateness

The school day (first registration session) starts at 8.50 am, all students are expected to be in their classroom at this time.

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. 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.

Please give the school as much notice as possible, at least two weeks' notice is useful.

If the appointment requires the pupil to leave during the day, they must be signed out by an adult listed on the student's record at the main reception.

Please follow this process if your child is going to be absent from school:



For Years 7 – 11 Absences

Sharon Leaman/Cath Prunty
(Attendance Officers)

Direct line: 01392 463911

Email: studentabsence@clystvale.org

For Year 12 – 13 Absences

Sue Voysey

(Assistant to Head of Post 16)

Direct line: 01392 462697


Email: voyseys@clystvale.org and copy in Head of Sixth Form: haynesc@clystvale.org




**Christmas Carols
by Candlelight**

@ Broadclyst Church
Sunday 15th December
5pm Broadclyst & Westclyst Primary School Choirs
7pm Featuring the Birdhouse Singers

Free Entry. Limited Spaces so book early on <https://broadclystcarols.eventbrite.co.uk> or ring 07972 387391
Refreshments Available



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**YOUNG ADULT CARERS
PEER SUPPORT SESSION**

Are you aged between 18 – 24 and do you care, unpaid, for a family member or friend who couldn't manage without you?
Do you live in East or Mid-Devon?

We would like to invite you to meet other Young Adult Carers, find out what support is available for you, and to discuss new ideas to help you cope.

**19TH NOVEMBER
2024
3:30PM - 5:30PM**
EXETER COMMUNITY CENTRE
EX4 3RG

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You'll also hear from our current trainees who'll tell you why they chose to start an AAT accountancy apprenticeship with us and how you can too.

Bring your parents/guardians along - everyone is welcome.



Book online

This event is aimed at year 11, 12 and 13 students and their parents/guardians.

18 November Exeter	25 November Taunton
19 November Plymouth	26 November Truro
20 November Poole	27 November Salisbury
21 November Bristol	

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MONDAY 18TH NOV

6.30 – 8.30 PM

Esteem Team Base,
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Exmouth, EX8 1DJ

OR

FRIDAY 22ND NOV

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Lympstone,
EX8 5AR

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Understanding the Teenage Brain

Watch the recording of Jane Keyworth delivering this
online session (one hour 45 minutes) to parents in the UK

"We need every parent and teacher to attend this outstanding presentation. It provides a brilliant exposé of the challenges young people face as they develop from child to young adult. The presentation is very informative but also very accessible and entertaining. I cannot recommend this talk highly enough"

Mr Andrew Mead, Headteacher at Lytchett Minster, UK High school

Vacancies and Job of the Week



Senior Exams Invigilator

Grade C (point 7) £15.24 per hour (pay award pending)

As Senior Examinations Invigilator, you will be required to lead the team of invigilators conducting internal and external examinations for students, ensuring that all regulatory requirements and school policy and procedures for the conduct of examinations are strictly adhered to and met at all times. The Senior Examination Invigilator will need to be present at all exam periods and during the Summer. These months include November, December, January, March, May and June.

You will need to have previous experience as an Exams Invigilator and have an understanding of the UK Exams process. Experience in managing groups of young people would be helpful. Training will be provided. If you are calm under pressure, have a pleasant nature but a keen eye then this could be the position for you.

For full details and to apply, please visit our website: <http://www.clystvale.org/vacancies/>

Suitable candidates will be contacted to attend for interview.

The vacancy will be closed once a suitable appointment has been made.



Science and Food Technician

Salary £18,428

We are looking to recruit a professional and motivated Science and Food Technician to join our highly successful Science and Technology teams. This role is being advertised as a Grade B position and would be ideal for someone who may be thinking about a career in teaching and wants to gain first hand experience of working in a school. You will need to have good interpersonal and communication skills, be able to work as part of a team and have excellent planning and organisational skills. Principal duties for the Food Technician part of the role includes preparation of ingredients and equipment; placing food shops online and in person; overseeing food budget; maintain general tidiness and organisation of the food department. Principal duties for the Science Technician part of the role includes providing assistance to Senior Science Technician and/or Technician; preparing resources and equipment; delivering and collecting equipment/resources from classrooms; general admin tasks such as photocopying/printing/filing. Previous experience of working in a school and possession of a Level 2 Food Hygiene Certificate would be advantageous but are not essential as full training will be given. Hours of work: The role is split into two parts- Monday-Friday 08:30-11:30 (Food Technology Department) Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 11:30-16:30 (Science Department) There is some flexibility around these hours and how they are split and this can be discussed at interview.

Closing date for all applications is 1st December 2024 Interviews will take place on 9th December 2024

For full details and to apply, please visit our website: <http://www.clystvale.org/vacancies/>

Job of the Week

These are provided through the MYPATH careers webpage.

FUNERAL DIRECTOR

Funeral directors have an important job that involves helping families when a loved one passes away. They take care of everything needed for a funeral, ensuring that it is a respectful and smooth process.

Their job includes collecting a body from a hospital or home, preparing it for burial or cremation, and transporting it to the funeral location. They also help the family with paperwork, like getting the death certificate.

[JOB OF THE WEEK](#)

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 [Supporting learning at home | Parentkind](#)



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.



Edulink & contact With the College

Please do not address emails, or replies to Edulink messages, to 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.

There is also a contact form and details below.

<http://www.clystvale.org/contact-us/>

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.



Second Hand School Uniform

Thank you for supporting the community and local charity shops. The sale of preloved uniform is proving successful. If you have any items that are no longer needed but still in very good condition, please donate them to one of the local charity shops. Both shops have set aside rails designated for college uniform.

Clyst Caring Friends is located in Broadclyst village and our local Barnardo's shop is in Cranbrook.

Their opening hours are:

Clyst Caring Friends, Broadclyst (01392 467555)

Mondays—closed

Tuesday to Friday—09.30 to 15.30

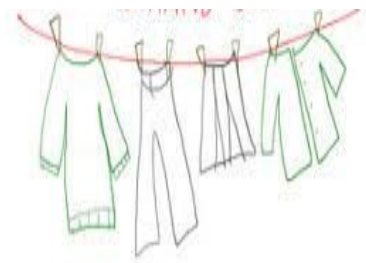
Saturday—09.30 to 12.00

Sunday—closed

Barnardo's, Cranbrook EX5 7DR (01404 514934)

Monday to Saturday—09.00 to 17.00

Sunday—10.00 to 16.00



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