

"We all should know that diversity makes for a rich tapestry, and we must understand that all the threads of the tapestry are equal in value no matter what their colour." - Maya Angelou

Principal's Update



Sara Jacobs
Principal



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of a very successful first half term, I want to highlight how well our students have settled back into school life. Year 7 have made a smooth transition into secondary school, Year 10 have embraced the start of their Key Stage 4 courses with enthusiasm, and Year 11 have shown great focus and engagement. If you have a child in Year 11, please encourage them to begin their revision in preparation for the upcoming mock exams next term, as starting early will give them the best chance of success.

It's been great to see more students cycling to College, as it promotes eco-friendly travel while also encouraging physical activity and independence—values we fully support. Due to the increased demand for bike storage, we've upgraded our facilities. Students can now secure their bikes in an enclosed shelter located in the main car park, just outside the front reception. We ask that parents ensure their child feels confident cycling and remind all students that they must wear a helmet, visible clothing, and follow traffic rules at all times.

In response to student feedback, we have made a small adjustment to our uniform policy—with the colder weather approaching students are now permitted to wear plain black socks with their tights if they wish. However, I want to remind families that leggings and black tights with white socks are not permitted. We have noticed some students are continuing to roll up their skirts which does not align with our standards for smart and appropriate appearance. As we approach the holiday break, this is a great time to review uniform items and make any necessary purchases to ensure all students start the next term dressed appropriately. We appreciate your cooperation in maintaining our high standards.

Lastly, I'd like to praise our Year 11 students for their excellent conduct during the university visit on Thursday. They represented Clyst Vale brilliantly, and we are incredibly proud of their behaviour and engagement. The visit provided an invaluable insight into university life and helped students start thinking about their future pathways. We hope this experience has inspired them as they begin planning for their next steps.

Thank you to all parents and carers for your continued support. Wishing you all a restful half-term break!

Sara Jacobs, Principal

Non Uniform Day



A record £742.46 was raised for Force Cancer Exeter. Thank you for your generous donations. The next non-uniform day is 20 December 2024 in aid of St Petrocks.

Key Dates for next week

Autumn Term Dates

28 October to 4 November—Half Term

4 November - Return to school

20 December—Non Uniform Day for St Petrocks

20 December—Last Day of Term Finish 1.30pm

Student of the Week

<p>Esme Davies 7GAW Lara Whitfield 7GLBA Corey Randall 7RKJO Flo Collacott 7RCMO Oliver Moyse 7YDST Jimbo Briggs 7YEHA</p>	<p>Guy Hambly 8GRTU NP2N 8GTBE Jake Strudwick 8RER Dexter Bennet 8RMCU Josh Farmer 8YCBO Tristan Collins 8YCFL</p>	<p>Laila Brown 9GMNA William Saunders 9GLTH 9RDFE NP2N9RGWW Elle Hemment 9YGGA Thea Trewhella 9YBH</p>
Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
<p>Nat Kempton 10GCMC Oliver Chidlow 10GMTH Toby Offord-Bennett 10RBAT NP2N 10RNS Elliot Clayton 10YMBR Owen Major 10YSWA</p>	<p>Lexie Green 11GABR Annie Glassco 11GDH Kiki Lewis 11RZB Ruby Hopkins 11RSGA Bryn Matthews 11YSS Jason Apps 11YADA</p>	<p>Eliz Sherifova 12HP</p>
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 11 Uni Trip



On Thursday 24th October we took 90 students to Plymouth University to look at what University life had to offer. This included information about courses, myth busting and a tour of the university. The tour included looking at the wave pool, student union, criminology labs, a typical student room and huge student library.

The students behaved brilliantly and have an insight into what University life might have to offer. Well done year 11!

Mrs Bennett and Mrs Trump

News from Post 16

As we head towards half term, Post 16 students have been getting involved in some interesting events this week.



Year 13 pulled out all of the stops on Wednesday, attending their Employability Skills Day in smart dress; they looked amazing!

We would like to extend a very heartfelt thank you to a number of our Governors, as well as employers and professionals from the local community, who gave up an entire morning to come into school to support our students with their mock interviews: Dorf Ruscoe, Sue McQueenie, Joe Pearce, Sue Diffey and Keith Diffey. Many students were initially nervous, but several came away from their interviews visibly buoyed by a really positive experience - some surprising themselves by performing so well under pressure. Students will reflect in future sessions on the feedback provided by their interviewer and take all of these valuable lessons forward for future 'real life' situations.



On Wednesday afternoon, Mrs Padden and Mr Powell led a short excursion down to RNLI Exmouth, to allow 13 of our Y12 and Y13 students to hand over the £242.70 raised by our September bake sale. The lifeboat crew were delighted to receive the donation, along with an assortment of hand-baked goodies to showcase the baking talents that went into the original event. Thank you Nina, Millie and Josh for your delicious brownies and cupcakes, which were no doubt appreciated by all those RNLI members taking part in the crew training that night!



Staff and students are now looking forward to the opportunity to re-charge over half term – wishing everyone a 'spooktacular' break.

Cycling to College



We now have a new bike shed in front of the College. If your child/ren cycle to Clyst Vale they need to have a current cycle pass. To obtain a pass please see the email sent out this week or contact StudentServices@clystvale.org for an application letter. Please be aware that the wearing appropriate clothing to be visible to traffic and the wearing of helmets is mandatory.

Stagecoach payments

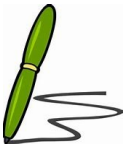


This week we have had quite a few card payments declined on Stagecoach. Please be aware that payments by cards takes a few days to clear on the account. Therefore, if the account doesn't have money on it when the collection of money is attempted, a 30 day block is put on that card. If the card is then 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.

Flu Immunisation

Kernow Health will be attending the college on Thursday 5th December to administer the flu nasal spray to all Year 7 to Year 11 students. Please see the email sent to you on Wednesday 9th October with all the details to complete the consent form. Please complete even if you are refusing to give consent, so the automatic reminders are not sent to you. Any problems please contact Kernow Health on Tel: 01392 342678 Email: Kernowhealthcic.schoolimmsdevon@nhs.net.

Lost Property



We are half way through the Autumn term and we have already seen lots of lost property. Please put your child's name on each item so that it can be returned to them if handed in.

Parental Consents

Please could you complete/update the Parental Consent section for your child on Edulink so that we know whether we can use your child's image or publish your child's name in displays around the school, the Newsletter or on our website etc. You can find the link to Edulink on the school website [CVCC – Clyst Vale Community College](#). Thank you.

Round 2 U15s Girls PlayStation Cup: Clyst Vale vs Tiverton 17th November 2024

Round 3 saw the girls drawn against local rivals Tiverton who they have had some great success over in the last few meetings. A strong squad of 15 players were available for Clyst Vale with the return of some key players; Miley A, Ameera C, and Sophia B who were unavailable in the previous round. The girls lined up with Sophie W stepping up to go in between the posts with a strong back four of Zoe T, Miley A, and Ameera C, a midfield 4 of Tallulah W, Grace A, Sophia B and Leona W with a strike partnership, Sophia T and Daisy H. Lana Z, Wiktorija J and Kate DW made up the substitutes.

A bright start from Clyst Vale who were pressing the Tiverton defence to try and force a mistake. Sophia T had the ball down the left wing passing two of the Tiverton midfields, cut inside onto her right foot to swing in a half cross half shot which deflected off the defender and in for 1-0 Clyst Vale. Grace was second on the scoresheet when a long ball over the top of the defenders saw Grace run onto the ball unmarked with a 1 on 1 with the keeper. She composed herself and slotted it into the corner for 2-0. A corner to Clyst Vale was swung in by the ever-reliable Daisy, who whipped in a dangerous ball which caused some confusion in the box and the ball bounced kindly to Leona who volleyed the ball home for 3-0. Clyst Vale continued to defend well and shut out any Tiverton attacks. Sophie was cool, calm and collected in goal and swept up any long balls over the top with ease. Daisy was next on the score sheet has her quick reactions and speed onto a ball over the top enable her to skip past the rushing keeper and slot it into an open net for 4-0 at half time.

Wiktorija came on for Sophia, Lana swapped with Zoe, Kate switched with Tallulah and another came on for Ameera at half time. The game continued the same in the second half with Clyst Vale pressing for more goals, but Tiverton seemed to up their game and kept possession well leading to a few opportunities and chances. After a flurry of corners and scrappy clearances Tiverton grabbed on back. A good corner was whipped in, and this was met by the head of the Tiverton midfielder who powered it into the goal. 4-1. Clyst Vale continued to battle well, and this led to another goal from Grace. A powerful strike from just inside the box flew past the keeper to make it 5-1. More substitutes were made with Sophia, Tallulah and Ameera returning on to the pitch. The scores stayed the same for a good 15 minutes until the last 2 minutes where a short corner from Daisy found Sophia T on the edge of the box, with one touch inside she rifled a curling shot over the keeper and into the net, final score Clyst Vale 6 Tiverton 1.

A superb team display from the girls who make it into Round 3 where they have another home tie vs Coombeshead.

Mr Stapleton



Friendly fixture U13s Girls— Uffculme vs Clyst Vale 22nd November 2024

A first ever football fixture for the new squad of girls in Year 7 as they travel to Uffculme. Throughout the bus journey the girls were full of joy and sing song as they looked forward to the game ahead. The squad was as follows Eva CH, Emily G, Lila D, Flo M, Siby P, Amelie M, Kayola D, Emily L, Annie-Rose T, Alex W, Lara W, Bella P, Evie C and Zara-Alice H.



A close fought first half where Clyst Vale defended very well intercepting dribbles and clearing the ball when they were under pressure. Annie-Rose secured the ball well upfront and looked to dribble past defenders at each opportunity. Clyst Vale found themselves 2-1 behind at the interval with a fine individual goal from Annie-Rose who skipped past two defenders and slotted the ball home. The Clyst Vale defence had lots of pressure from a good attacking Uffculme team. Lila was demanding the defence and very energetic trying to intercept and gain possession for her team. Evie and Eva supported Lila well and cleared up any danger, but the pressure mounted and Uffculme scored another two before the final whistle to make it 4-1. The girls were excellent and look very cohesive and supportive of one another which is great to see. Training will continue Tuesday lunchtimes so make sure you come along and see how you can develop your skillset.

Mr Stapleton

Friendly fixture Year 9 boys Clystvale vs St Peters 22nd November

The boys began the match against St Peters in a 3-4-3 formation of their own design. From the beginning the team showed they were up for the occasion, keen to get minutes in. Joe C was vocal throughout, ensuring his defenders remained alert. Noah P commanded a back 3 including Logan H and Nataniel T who made a strong, positive start to the game. The midfield was controlled by Jacob E and another, accompanied by Zac B and Henry G. Noah K and Ollie P kept the fullbacks busy for most of the game, while Connor K gave the opposing centre backs a long first half. The highlight of the first half being Joe C's fine penalty save, and the low point being the first goal which was conceded from a corner. Several subs introduced into the game kept it ticking over, George W, Fin T, Ethan T, Charlie P and Josh P all slid into their positions with ease. Sadly, a second goal was conceded due to some communication errors and another corner mishap led to the team being 3-0 down. The scoreline does not reflect the performance and I am sure this team will be keen to rectify this loss. A split decision on the Man of the match meant both Noah P and Jacob E got the nod for their confident, controlled displays.

A massive thank you to interim manager Mr Fleming and assistant Mr Gardner for stepping in at late notice to help out. Also thank you to Joel Buckeridge for stepping in and refereeing the game

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.

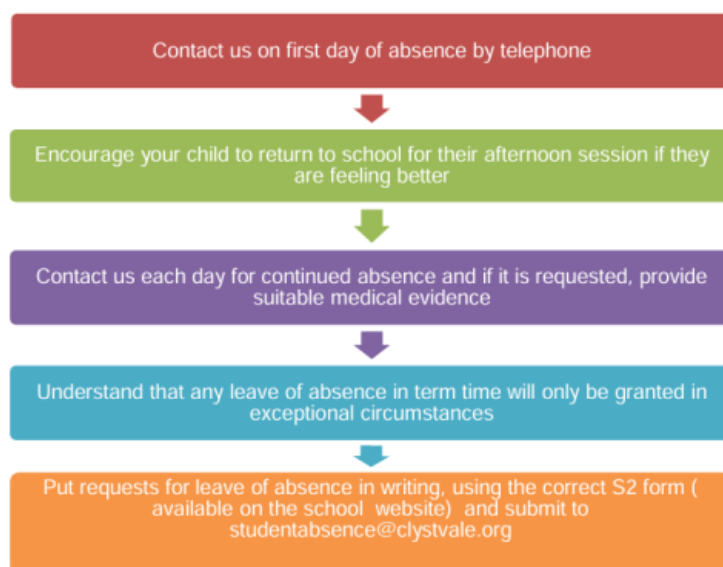
Medical Appointments

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

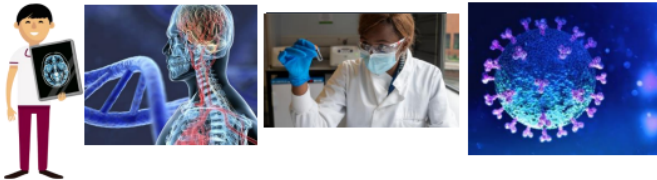
Sue Voysey

(Assistant to Head of Post 16)

Direct line: 01392 462697

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

Diagnostics & Healthcare Science Careers Event at St Luke's Campus, Exeter University on Saturday 9th November 2024



What: Careers Event about diagnostic services, specifically including Radiography, Healthcare Sciences, and Pathology.

Who: open to KS4 & 5 students, their parents, and teachers.

When: Saturday 9th November 2024. Morning or afternoon session.

Where: 79 Heavitree Road, Exeter, EX2 4TH

How: The event is **free** but you must **pre-book a ticket** for each person attending, to secure your places. Please select either the morning or afternoon session below, **scan the QR Code**, and follow the link to book your free tickets.



Morning Tickets



Afternoon Tickets



If you can't make the date or time
all paid for talks are recorded and available for 48 hours afterwards

Monday
25th Nov
19:00 - 20:00
FREE



FREE SESSION

Decreasing Depression

A range of steps that can help to reduce the crippling impact of depression.

Thursday
7th Nov
19:00 - 21:00
£24



Supporting a Child with ADHD

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

Tuesday
12th Nov
19:00 - 21:00
£24



Anxiety-Based School Avoidance

Understanding and supporting children who are anxious about school. Steps you can take to help them back into the classroom.

Monday
18th Nov
19:00 - 21:00
£24



Understanding Anger: Yours and Theirs!

What is anger? Why do we have it? How do we manage it in ourselves and in our children?

Thursday
21st Nov
19:00 - 21:00
£24



Supporting Healthy Screen Use

Clarifying the difference between healthy screen use and unhealthy screen use. Addressing concerns about blue light and sedentary behaviour.

facefamilyadvice.co.uk

info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Kids Eat Free, October Half Term 2024

Les Iguanas: Download the app and join 'My Las Iguanas' for free meals for mini-Iguanas. Kids get a main, two sides and a dessert with every adult main (or three tapas dishes) purchased.

- **ASDA Café:** Kids eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required. The offer has been extended until the end of 2024. In addition, children will receive a free piece of fruit such as an apple, pear or banana when purchasing the hot kids £1 meal deal. Freebie: Asda also provides FREE Ella's baby food pouches for children under 18 months old with any purchase.
- **Morrisons:** Kids eat free all day, every day in Morrisons cafes nationwide, daily with every adult meal over £4.50. This offer includes half terms.
- **Beefeater:** Two children get free breakfast with one paying adult!
- **Sainsbury's:** Sainsbury's Cafes offers one child hot meal or lunch bag for £1 with any adult main meal purchased over £5.20. This offer is on every day from 11:30am. Kid's mains include one main, 3 sides a drink and a piece of fruit.
- **Bella Italia:** Kids Eat Free all day every Thursday and for £1 between 4-6pm, Sunday to Wednesday. Kids can enjoy three delicious courses & a drink! Meals are suitable for 2-11-year-olds.
- **Ikea:** Kids can enjoy Kids Pasta with Tomato Sauce and a soft drink for 95p or any other Kids Meal for £1.50 every day from 11am. Also, on Friday's kids get tomato pasta, a drink and a piece of fruit for just 45p.
- **Premier Inn:** At Premier Inn, you can enjoy their all-you-can-eat Breakfast for just £9.99 and up to two kids under 16 eat for free.
- **Travelodge:** At Travelodge, you can enjoy their all-you-can-eat Breakfast for just £9.75 and up to two kids under 15 eat for free.

For more information please visit: [Places Kids Eat Free in the Summer Holidays 2024 \(moneysavingcentral.co.uk\)](http://Places Kids Eat Free in the Summer Holidays 2024 (moneysavingcentral.co.uk))

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.



Cover Supervisor (Fixed Term)

Grade D (point 12) £18,507

Working hours are Monday-Friday 08:30-15:20 (Term Time)

To start as soon as possible (subject to DBS clearance), we wish to appoint a highly motivated, organised and confident person to join our team as a Cover Supervisor who can oversee classes when teachers are absent, ensuring that learning in the classroom is maximised. The role is initially fixed term to 14 February 2025 covering long term absence and this will be reviewed at that time.

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.

Job of the Week

These are provided through the MYPATH careers webpage.

FASHION BUYER

Fashion buyers select and purchase a range of clothing, accessories, or footwear to be sold in retail stores. This role involves understanding the latest fashion trends, analysing consumer preferences, and forecasting future trends to ensure the products appeal to the target market.

Fashion buyers collaborate closely with designers, suppliers, and merchandisers, and attend trade shows, fashion shows, and industry events to stay updated on new collections and emerging designers.

Entry-level positions typically start at around £20,000 to £25,000 per year. With a few years of experience, salaries can rise to between £30,000 and £45,000.

[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

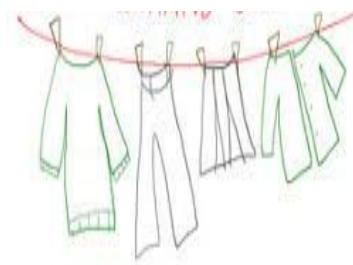
Saturday—09.30 to 12.00

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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