### Newsletter

No.870 w/c 9th June 2025 **WEEK B** 

"When you go home, tell them of us and say, for your tomorrow we gave our today."

#### Principal's Update



Dear Parents and Carers,



The Summer Term has begun with great energy and purpose, and I'd like to thank you for your continued support — particularly in ensuring students return in full College uniform. High standards in appearance have a noticeable impact on students' attitudes and behaviour, helping to create a respectful and focused environment where learning can truly thrive. Wearing the correct uniform not only promotes a sense of discipline and readiness but also strengthens students' sense of belonging to our College community.





It was a pleasure to welcome so many of you to the Year 7 Parents' Evening yesterday. The feedback was overwhelmingly positive, with many of you commenting on how well our new students have settled in. Staff were especially grateful for your recognition of the care and commitment they show in supporting our young people. The evening was a wonderful reminder of the strong partnership between home and College — a partnership that plays a vital role in helping students reach their full potential.

This week has been filled with enriching experiences that reflect the breadth of opportunity at Clyst Vale. Yesterday, our Year 9 Bronze Duke of Edinburgh participants were out at Killerton, honing their camping and navigation skills in preparation for their upcoming expedition. Meanwhile, Year 7 students took part in an inter-tutor rounders tournament, showing fantastic enthusiasm and team spirit. Today, many of our Year 10 students enjoyed a well-earned rewards trip to Splashdown — a brilliant way to celebrate their hard work and achievements this year.

These experiences are only possible thanks to the dedication of our staff, who give so generously of their time to support students beyond the classroom. Next Tuesday, we look forward to celebrating the incredible achievement of our students who completed the Ten Tors challenge — a true testament to their resilience, teamwork, and determination. We're delighted that many of the volunteers who supported them will be joining us for the celebration. Their encouragement and expertise — from staff, parents, former students, and friends of the College — are deeply appreciated.

We are also working hard this year to strengthen our links with the local community. A special thank you goes to Heather Padden, who will be representing the College at the Broadclyst Flower Festival this weekend, supported by two of our Year 12 students, Phoebe and Alice. And today, we were delighted to welcome six members of our newly formed PTFA, who organised a fundraising bake sale. Not only did this raise valuable funds, but it also provided a lovely opportunity for parents and staff to connect and build a stronger sense of community. You can read more about the PTFA's initiatives later in the newsletter.

Thank you once again for your ongoing support.

I wish you all a restful and enjoyable weekend.



#### College News

#### **Athletics Club**

Apologies for the cancellation of the athletics club after school on Wednesday. We had wet grass and storms forecast. Next week on Wednesday 11th June we have a Year 8 Athletics Meeting away at St Peters school and all the PE staff will be attending and helping run the event. The following Wednesday 18th June will be the same but with Year 7 at St James'. Therefore the athletics club will need to be cancelled for two weeks. Weather permitting we should have the remaining two club sessions prior to the Sports Day and Festival on the Field on Wednesday 9th July.

Mr Powell, Head of PE



**Year 8 Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award** 

For any students interested in completing their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award (beginning in September 25), there will be a meeting at 1.30pm in Ma8 on Tuesday 24th June. Miss Barratt and Mr Eales will be going through the 4 sections that need to be completed.

Students will need to go home and discuss the Award with their parents after Tuesday's meeting. If they then wish to enrol a payment of £28 will need to be made through the MCAS by Sunday 6th July.

Mr Eales and Miss Barratt will then enrol the students onto eDofE over the summer. Students will be expected to complete a programme planner for the award over the summer to plan what they will be doing for each of the 3 sections (to start in September). This will be sent by email to both students and parents who have paid to complete the award before the end of term.

We recommend the DofE website for all information.

Chris Eales and Michelle Barratt

#### **College News**

#### Y10 Trip to Splashdown, Paignton—Friday 6th June

114 Year 10 students headed to Splashdown Quaywest today for a rewards trip.

Despite forecasts of rain and even possible storms earlier in the week, the sun came out for the students to enjoy the park. And that they did!

Students particularly enjoyed the slide aptly named Devil's Drop which can be seen in the photo.

Our students were an asset to the College throughout

- a lovely day out with a lovely bunch of students!

Miss McConnachie, Head of Year 10







#### **PTFA Cake Sale**

Thank you to the PTFA members who gave up their time today to come in to school to set up and run a cake stand at lunchtime and to everyone who baked, donated and bought cakes.

A fantastic total of £172.80 was raised.

#### Post 16 News

It was good to welcome Year 12 back after the half term break and also to see those Year 13 students who continue to arrive on site for revision sessions and exams. These seem to be progressing smoothly on the whole and students are coping well with both kind and challenging papers alike. Keep it up, the end is now clearly in sight!

The Year 13 Prom is a shining beacon on the horizon! We look forward to celebrating on Friday 20th June, when all students will have completed their exams and will be free to take some well-earned time to rest and relax. In the meantime, subject teachers remain on hand in timetabled lesson slots to help and support, with all subjects running briefing sessions ahead of exams to help calm nerves and ensure students enter the exam room with the structure and timings for that paper clear in their heads.

Students and parents/carers are always welcome to make contact with any issues or concerns during this demanding period, we are here for practical and moral support whenever it is needed!



#### **Broadclyst Flower Festival**



Mrs Padden, Phoebe & Alice (Y12 students) will be representing Clyst Vale at this event over the weekend with a display of our Harry Patch Memorial Garden.

Please do pop along and say hello if you can!



There will be 'Plant Hunter' talks at 10am on both days, followed by questions and then a musical treat from our talented students to follow (approximately midday both days).

Many thanks to Mrs Padden, Phoebe and Alice for give up their time to support our friends at Broadclyst Church with this lovely event.

#### Student Services Key Updates and Reminders

#### **Year 7 Parents Questionnaire**

Thank you to all who attended, we now offer you the chance to give your feedback through the Year 7 Parent Questionnaire.

Please click on the link. <a href="https://forms.office.com/e/zVyKBWRaHx">https://forms.office.com/e/zVyKBWRaHx</a>

#### Y11 Prom and Yearbook

Both of these can be paid for via the School Gateway—deadline Friday 13th June.

**Reminder**—We have a selection of prom outfits available to borrow.

We ask for a £30 deposit which is repaid on return of a clean dress/suit.

Please arrange a time to view/try on with Student Services.



#### PTFA UPDATE

#### Uniform Shop on our new PTFA platform

Very exciting news this week! We are launching our new PTFA platform called Classlist. This will provide you with access to our Pre-loved Uniform Shop, the ability to get tickets for events (we can help the school run their events using this too!) and as a parent group, you can use it as a networking platform to communicate with other parents.

Classlist is used by thousands of parents across the country and the feedback provided by other PTFAs has been great. We've carefully selected this app from a number of similar apps. We feel that this offers the best user experience, and has all the functionality we think is needed such as an online payment facility for our uniform shop or other events running and can help you keep track of things, a communication platform that can bring parents together easily and the ability for us to communicate useful information to you as parents about events.

For quick sign up, follow this link or you can use this QR code: https://classlist.page.link/hsyzA2y8yA5pzeKH8



The shop can be found under Calendar and will appear as an Event. It will give you the option to 'Buy Tickets' but then it allows you to view what items we have available, add the items to your basket and pay for the items.

We will parcel the items up and send via the tutor to your child/one of your children.

#### **Uniform Donations**

As this summer term is speeding along, and maybe it has something to do with the recent good weather and a bit of watering from the rain, many of us are noticing our young people are growing out of their uniform! We have now got a donation point in Reception where students/parents can pop items and a merry team of PTFA members ready to receive and help manage our online uniform shop. We will accept any good condition uniform items, whether they be the branded jumpers, PE kit, ties etc, or non branded shirts, shorts, trousers, aprons etc.

Our ability to provide parents with affordable pre-loved items will depend on receiving donations so please donate the items that your child can no longer wear, and hopefully you will be able to pick up a bargain in the next size from our shop. We are particularly keen for those who are completing their exams in the next few weeks and leaving school to use the donation point to have that clear out before the summer. Thanks for your support!



# **WANTED**

**Pre-Loved Uniform Shop** Coming Soon!

An easy, budget friendly way to buy school uniform.

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

Drop off donations at Reception/Student Services or the donation point (coming soon).



THANK YOU

#### Student of the Week

Will H & Sophia P 7GAW

Ethan Snook—7GLBA

Alfie D - 7RKJO

No name permission—7RCMO

**7YDST** 

Henry B-7YEHA

Jake Culshaw—8GRTU

8GTBE

8RER

8RMCU

8YCBO

No name permission—8YCFL

Sophie W-9GMNA

9GLTH

Will Vanstone—9RDFE

Summer S—9RGWW

Rosie P-9YGGA

Connor Kendall & Seb Rothwell—

9YBH

Evie D—10GCMC

Will Bickel -10GMTH

Sophie M-10RBAT

Lana Z-10RNS

10YMBR

Billy Heals—10YCHW



Phoebe B & Alice D

12HP



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



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

#### **Key Contact Information**

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Lisa Jones Early Help jonesl1@clystvale.org

# LUNCH CLUBS Summer Term 2025

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 All foundation groups Year 11	Lunchtime	MA8		Miss Barratt
Monday	Music Practice Club	Lunchtime	PA2		Mr Hawkins
Monday	GCSE Religious Studies revision	Lunchtime	HU1		Miss Brotherton
Monday	GCSE PE Revision	Lunchtime	PES		Mr Pearce & Mrs Broomfield
Monday	Badminton – Years 7/8/9	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell
Monday	Weights - Years 10/11/12/13	Lunchtime	Studio		Mr Gardener
Monday	GCSE PE Revision	Lunchtime	PES		Mrs Broomfield
Monday Week B	Dungeons & Dragons Club	Lunchtime	IT3		Mr Bailey
Tuesday Week A	Science Club – Years 7 / 8 /9	Lunchtime	SC9		Miss Tuthill & Ms Spencer
Tuesday	Choir	Lunchtime	PA2		Mr Hawkins
Tuesday	Basketball All Years	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Stapleton
Tuesday	Dance Years 7/8/9	Lunchtime	Studio	Humanities	Miss Hall
Tuesday	Ten Tors - Years 9 to 11	Lunchtime	IT4		Mr Eales & Miss Barratt
(after Oct half term)					
Tuesday	Amnesty	Lunchtime	EN7		Miss Watt
Tuesday	Year 7 Book Club	Lunchtime	Library		Mrs Southard
Tuesday	Games Club- Year 7-9	Lunchtime	HUS		Ms Jenkins
Tuesday	Ten Tors	Lunchtime	IT4		Miss Barratt
Wednesday	Badminton – Year 11/12/13	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Powell
Wednesday	Rock Club- Music	Lunchtime	PA3		Mr Kidd
Wednesday	GCSE Photography	Lunchtime	IT4		Mrs Wakefield
Wednesday	Spanish Year 7	Lunchtime	MF3		Miss Theeten
Thursday	GCSE Spanish Revision	Lunchtime	MF4		Mrs McConachie
Thursday	Geographers Club	Lunchtime	HU8		Mr Thomas
Thursday	Hospitality and Catering Catch Up Year 10	Lunchtime	111		Miss Dinning
Thursday	Indoor Football – Year 10	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Stapleton
Thursday	Table Tennis	Lunchtime	Plaza		Mrs Broomfield
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 – Year 11/12/13	Lunchtime	Sports Hall	Sports Hall	Mr Pearce
Friday	Yu-Gi-Oh Club All Years	Lunchtime	SC3		Mr Moxey
Friday	Music Technology	Lunchtime	PA3		Mr Kidd

Friday	Jazz Band	Lunchtime	PA2	Mr Hawkins	
Friday Week B	LGBTQ+	Lunchtime	MF1	Ms McConnachie	

# After School Clubs

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	Rounders Year 7/8	3:30-4:30PM	Field	Humanities	Miss Curtis( Week A) Mrs Elliot (Week B)
Tuesday	Rounders Year 9/10	3:30-4:30PM	Field	Humanities	Miss Hall
Wednesday	Homework Club	3:30-4:45PM	112		Supervisor
Wednesday	Drama- All Years from 05/02/25 -12/02/25	3:20-4:45PM	PA1		Miss Ruscoe
Wednesday	GCSE Revision Sport Studies/ PE Catch up	3:20- 4:30PM	<u>E</u>		Mrs Broomfield
Wednesday	Athletics Year 7/8/9/10/11	3:20-4:30PM	Field	Humanities	Mr Pearce, Mr Powell, Mr Stapleton, Miss Hall & Miss Curtis
Wednesday	OCR SS/GCSE PE Catch up	3:20-4:30PM	IT3		Mrs Broomfield
Wednesday Week B	GCSE Food Catch up	3:30-4:30PM	DT2		Mrs Crook
Wednesday	GCSE D&T	3:20- 5PM	DT1 & DT2		Mr Arthur & Mr Hewlett
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 Week A	GCSE Food Catch up Session	3:30-4:30PM	DT2		Mrs Crook
Thursday	Mixed Cricket	3:30-4:30PM	Field	Humanities	Mrs Broomfield
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#### Attendance, Absence and Requests for Absence

#### **Reporting an Absence**

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

studentabsence@clystvale.org.

#### **Absence Notification Form**

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### Lateness

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### **Medical Appointments**

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

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

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

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

# Supporting Learning at Home

# What financial support can parents get?

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

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



#### **BROMCOM**

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

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

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

#### **Clyst Vale Library**

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



#### Stationery for Sale

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



#### **Summer Term Dates**

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



Follow our Facebook Page via the link below:

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





#### COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING

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

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

RAISING RESILIENCE: CONNECTING FAMILIES TO LOCAL SUPPORT SERVICES

COMPLEMENTARY REFRESHMENTS AND CAKE AVAILABLE



























## An online talk by Jane Keyworth



# Supporting a Child with ADHD

Challenging the stereotypes, offering practical support and explaining more about this condition

June 23<sup>rd</sup> 7 - 8:30pm

Talks are recorded and available to watch for up to 48hrs after the session £24





Book online facefamilyadvice.co.uk go to **PARENTS** on the **Homepage** 



#### **Broadclyst Youth Club**

Thursdays @ Broadclyst Sports Pavilion

4.30pm- 6.00pm for school years 6-8

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

Holly Close, Broadclyst, Exeter EX5 3JB

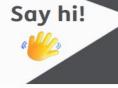
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YMCA EXETER

#### **EXETER COLLEGE NEWS**

#### Travel Pass Scheme

As you may already be aware, all fulltime learners who live more than 3 miles from College are eligible for the Exeter College Travel Pass Scheme. The scheme provides subsidised travel passes for buses and/or trains, regardless of household income. We can provide further support with the cost of travel for households with an income of below £50k per year, and for any learners with a household income of £30k or below, their travel to College will be free of charge. For detailed information on the varied levels of financial support that are available. please click on the link below.

#### Bursary

In addition to the Travel Scheme, we offer a student **Bursary Scheme** to help ensure that financial constraints don't present a barrier to accessing an outstanding education. The bursary is currently available to students whose household income is below £30k per year, and can help with the cost of travel, free meals, academy fees, essential books, and specialist clothing amongst other things. Bursary applications are now open. For the most up to date information, please click the below link.

https://exe-coll.ac.uk/school-leavers/travel/

https://exe-coll.ac.uk/school-leavers/support/travel-scheme/

#### Summer Masterclasses: A Level Insights

The Faculty of Humanities, Languages and Social Sciences invites Year 10 and 11 students to attend two 50-minute masterclasses in A Level and IB subjects. Delivered by our expert staff, these sessions offer insights into the curriculum, opportunities, and progression routes, helping students make informed post-16 choices. These twilight sessions are designed for students to attend independently. Please help us share this opportunity by forwarding the details to students and parents/guardians.

#### When and where?

Tuesday 1 July 2025, 4.30–6.30pm Hele Road site, Exeter College

#### A Level subjects on offer

Classics | English Language | French |
German | Philosophy | Sociology | Spanish
International Baccalaureate

SUMMER MASTERCLASSES in Humanities, Languages and Social Sciences

#### **EXETER COLLEGE NEWS**

Want to find out more about Apprenticeships? Here's how Exeter College can help!

#### Apprenticeship Vacancies

We have a wide range of live apprenticeship vacancies across multiple industries – regularly updated and ready for applications. These can be a great starting point to share with students who are ready to explore career options.

#### 1-1 Advisor Appointments

If your students need tailored support, they can book a 1:1 session with one of our Training Recruitment Advisors to explore their goals, get help with applications, and plan their next steps.

#### Download Jobseeker Pack

We've created a helpful job-seeking pack full of advice, templates, and practical tools, including CVs, interviews, and job search tips - ideal to share with students preparing to apply for apprenticeships.

Vacancies https://www.exeapprentices.co.uk/Search?page540=1&size540=12

Advisor appointments <a href="https://outlook.office365.com/book/">https://outlook.office365.com/book/</a>
ApprenticeshipAdviceandGuidanceMeetings@adexecollacuk.onmicrosoft.com/

Jobseekers pack https://exe-coll.ac.uk/apprenticeships/job-search/



# AND SO IT GOES ...

# An evening of Pop and Jazz Songs



From: Billy Joel,
Peggy Lee,
The Beatles,
Queen,
Jess Glynne,
Fleetwood Mac,
The Cranberries,
Teddy Swims
and more...

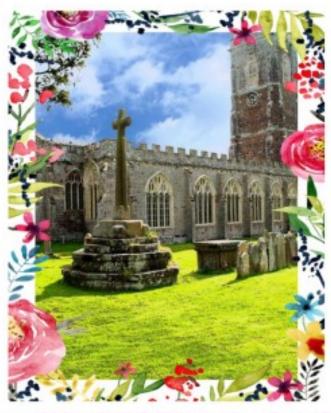
SATURDAY 7th JUNE at BROADCLYST CHURCH, EX5 3EL

7.30pm -8.30pm tickets £6.15 (includes a 15p booking fee per ticket)

Doors open at 7pm. Refreshments available for donation.

All proceeds to help keep the building open

Visit: www.birdhousesingers.com to book tickets



# FLOWER FESTIVAL & VEITCH CELEBRATION @ BROADCLYST CHURCH

# 6th-8th June - 10AM to 4PM



Guest Speaker: Caradoc Doy on "Plant Hunters and Pioneers" Limited Seats Please book here

#### https://broadclystchurch.eventbrite.co.uk/

Free Entry— donations in aid of the church

Floral displays by Sarah Pepper and other groups.

Specialist plant displays & competitions.

Café Open

Live entertainment Birdhouse singers on Saturday Night

Tickets required—£6.15 per seat

More information 07972 387391

# EXETER SARACENS RECEIVED





Just Drop In or contact us on:

Email: exetersaracensrfc@outlook.com

Location: Exhibition Fields, Summer Lane, EX4 8NT

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