

Newsletter

No.833 w/c Mon 10 June 2024 WEEK B

"Great things never came from your comfort zone"

Principal's Update







Dear Parents and Carers,

Students have made an excellent start to the new term. Thank you for your support in ensuring students have returned wearing the correct College uniform. It is always interesting to see how increased expectations regarding uniform also shifts students' mindsets and behaviour. When students wear their uniform correctly, it instils a sense of responsibility and discipline that extends to other aspects of their behaviour. More importantly, it enhances a sense of pride and belonging in our College community creating a professional atmosphere conducive to learning.

Thank you to all parents and carers who gave their time to participate in the Year 10 Parents Evening last night. Having spoken with several staff about their experience, it is clear that the relationships and communication between College and home is strong and that we are united in our commitment to supporting our students to achieve their potential.

Regarding exams, we are nearly there, but there are still a few big exams next week. Our exams candidates have been exceptional in terms of exam discipline and etiquette. Additionally, other students have been incredibly considerate, moving quietly around the College site to minimise any disturbance.

As we enter the Summer Term there are numerous trips for students to look forward to. In addition, we also have a significant number of students participating in the Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme. Next week students in Year 10 complete their Silver Duke of Edinburgh expedition and later this term we have 40 students who have registered to participate in the Bronze Award. To state the obvious, none of this is possible without the generosity of time from the volunteers, and we are incredibly grateful to the team of staff, parents, ex-students, and friends of the College who make this possible at Clyst Vale.

Next week, I have the pleasure in celebrating the success of our students who completed the Ten Tors challenge. This remarkable achievement highlights our commitment to providing students with opportunities to create lifelong memories during their time at the College.

Have a lovely weekend.

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Sara Jacobs, Principal

Key Dates for next week

Summer Term Dates

13 to 15 June—DofE Silver Expedition

28 June—Year 11 Prom

9 July—Sports Day

10 July—Reserve Sports Day

24 July—Summer Holiday Begins

Post 16 News

News from Post 16

Year 13 are continuing with their final exams, with the last one due to take place on 21st June. We are sure that all students will be very ready to celebrate the end of these at their Prom, which takes place the evening of the same date. We look forward to seeing everyone at Zizzi's to mark the occasion!

Year 12 have a very busy few weeks ahead of them and a separate letter has gone home today to parents and carers, outlining all of the key events and dates that are in the diary.

Excitingly, Mrs Padden is masterminding election-linked activities to run alongside the unfolding of the UK election season. Year 12 Politics students particularly will be involved in adopting the guise of four different political parties, and campaigning for election here in school. All students in Years 7 through to 10 will view the Year 12 students' campaign pitches and have the opportunity to vote for their favourite candidate and their policies.

We will also be holding a hustings in Post 16 on Wednesday 19th June, with the actual candidates running for local election in our parliamentary constituency of Exmouth and East Exeter attending. This will be particularly relevant to our students who have now turned 18 and will be entitled to vote and make their voices heard on 4th July.

Student of the Week

Year 7 Raiki Davies/Poppy Golightly 10GABR Tristan Drake 10GDH Abbie Batten 10RZB NP2N 10RSGA George Quarrington 10YSS	Year 8 11GAW Tobias Hill 11GGT 11RMAH 11RCMO 11YDST 11YLH	Year 9 Isla Cowie 12ZK
Jake Culshaw and NP2N 7GRTU 7GHE 7RER Connie Scott 7RGG Jack Crispin YCBO Tristan Collins 7YCFL	Olivia Gale 8GMN 8GLT 8RDF Aiden Smith 8RTMA Zac Brown 8YGGA Annea Cecherland-Richards 8YBH	Dulcie Hill 9GCMC Amelia Briggs 9GDJ Jasmine Williams 9RBAT 9RNS Lottie Williams 9YMBR Joshua Rea 9YSWA



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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Student Services Key Updates and Reminders



Year 11 Prom 28 June 2024

Please purchase your child's prom ticket through School Gateway. We have been donated some lovely prom dresses, if your child would like to look at them and try one on, please ask them to come to Student Services when they are in college. We also have a couple of suits.

Year 11 Events

You will now be able to purchase the following items on School Gateway:-

Prom ticket-£45

Year Book - £20.50 the closing date is Friday 13th June.

Hoodies may be purchased online via https://www.leavershoodies.com/clyst-vale-community-college-2024-yr-11-leavers

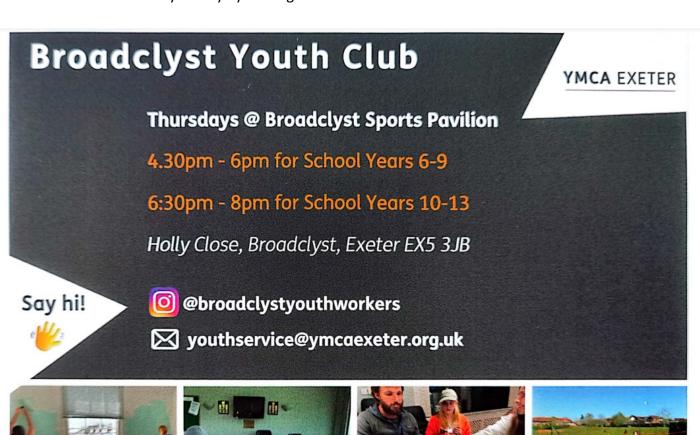
Closing date for orders is 11pm Sunday 16th June.

Year books will be given out on results day and hoodies are expected to be delivered to CVCC on 13th June.

Any queries please direct them through Studentservices@clystvale.org or 01392 463910

East Devon County Council Family Hubs

Action for Children are transitioning to Family Hubs. There is an easy –read consultation document attached to the Newsletter. You can have your say by clicking on the links inside the document.





Exam Information



In order to help your child during the exam season, please could you remind them of the importance of the below JCQ guidelines during an examination. Your support with this would be greatly appreciated.

- 1. You must be on time for all your examinations.
- 2. Possession of a mobile phone, smart watch or analogue watch or any other unauthorised material is not allowed even if you do not intend to use it. You will be subject to penalty and possible disqualification from the exam/qualification.
- 3. You must not talk to, attempt to communicate with or disturb other candidates once you have entered the examination room.
- 4. You must follow the instructions of the invigilator.
- 5. You must not sit an examination in the name of another candidate.
- 6. You must not become involved in any unfair or dishonest practice in any part of the examination.
- 7. If you are confused about anything, only speak to an invigilator.

If you know you are going to be late to an exam, please phone us on 01392 461407 as soon as possible to let us know so we can best arrange to support your entry to the exam.

If you are unable to attend College through illness on a day you have an examination, it is essential that an adult from your household contacts the College on 01392 461407 before 8.30am to explain the reason for your absence. In addition, please email **exams@clystvale.org** so that the Exams Officer knows as soon as possible.

NO MOBILE PHONES NO WATCHES

NO POTENTIAL TECHNOLOGICAL/WEB ENABLED SOURCES OF INFORMATION



Possession of unauthorised items, such as a mobile phone or any watch, is a serious offence and could result in



from your examination and your overall qualification.



Sports Updates, Fixtures and Extra-curricular Clubs

U15 Mixed Girls Match Report



Under the confident and skilled leadership of Captain Holly, the girls' cricket team opened their season with a thrilling victory against Sidmouth (A). Holly's captaincy was instrumental in guiding her team to success, showcasing her deep understanding of the game and her ability to inspire her teammates.

The match was marked by impressive performances across the board. The girls' ability to get the opponents out was a key factor in their win. Vanessa bowled out an opponent with precision, while Grace and Holly each took stunning catches that shifted the momentum in their favour. Molly, Grace, Jas, and Immy all contributed by taking a wicket each, demonstrating the depth of talent in the team.

Freya's standout moment came with her expert bowling, achieving both a wicket and a stump out in the same innings, underscoring her skill and composure under pressure.

The girls' batting was just as remarkable, as they amassed over a century of runs. The innings were highlighted by numerous fours and a couple of spectacular sixes, showcasing their aggressive and confident approach at the crease.

Every game of the day was a thrill to watch, particularly the final one, where the chemistry and communication among the girls shone brightly. Their commitment to maximising runs and their cohesive teamwork were evident as they secured 8 wickets, reflecting their continuous improvement and dedication.

Special mention goes to Coach Dan, whose guidance and umpiring were invaluable throughout the day. His professionalism (even correcting Mr Ladd) ensured fair play and provided crucial support to the girls.

Overall, it was a fantastic day with smiles all around, setting a positive tone for the rest of the season. The girls' impressive performance and the camaraderie they displayed promise an exciting season ahead.

Mrs Broomfield, Miss Curtis and Mr Ladd

I was lucky enough to have the pleasure to taking a fantastic group of girls on this fixture and it was a very enjoyable day. Cricket here at Clyst Vale is getting bigger and better with over 50 now coming to club on a

Thursday night 3:30 - 4:30.

All pupils involved were a true credit to the school .

Mrs Broomfield



Sports Updates, Fixtures and Extra-curricular Clubs



CVCC Inter House Football European Championships (Years 7-10):

Boys Tournament: W/C June 24-28

Girls Tournament: W/C July 1-5

By Invitation Only

X5/6 Teams per House Colour= 16 teams in total

X8 Boys X8 Girls from each House and Year to be involved

Emphasis on respect for all, enjoyment and participation

Group Stages:

Group Stages: x1 game of 10 mins one way Monday Lunchtime

x2 games of 10 mins one way Tuesday Lunchtime

Quarter Finals: 12 mins one way Wednesday Lunchtime

Semi Finals: 12 mins one way Thursday Lunchtime

Final/Bronze Medal Matches: 12 Mins one way Friday Lunchtime

Pool A:

Hungary

Germany

Switzerland

Scotland

Pool B:

Italy

spain

Croatia

Albania

Pool C:

Slovenia

Denmark

England

Serbia

Pool D:

France

Netherlands

Austria

Poland



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.



Edie is fascinated by Victorian times, and she's just desperate to be cast in the lead role of her drama club production of Oliver. When she's given a real Victorian notebook, she's determined to write the best story ever, all about a girl in a workhouse. But when she starts writing, something strange happens.

Year 7



Francis has never had a friend like Jessica before. She's the first person he's ever met who can make him feel completely himself. Jessica has never had a friend like Francis before. Not just because he's someone to laugh with every day - but because he's the first person who has ever been able to see her ...Jessica's Ghost is a funny, moving, and beautiful book by a master storyteller, about the power of friendship to shine a warm light into dark places.

Year 8



Sixteen-year-old Marlon has promised his widowed mum that he'll be good, and nothing like his gang-leader brother Andre. It's easy when you keep yourself to yourself, listening to your dead dad's Earth, Wind and Fire albums and watching sci-fi. But everything changes when Marlon's first date with the beautiful Sonya ends in tragedy; he becomes a hunted man, and he has no idea why. With his dad dead and his brother helpless, Marlon has little choice but to enter Andre's old world of guns, knives and drug runs in order to uncover the truth and protect those close to him. It's time to fight to be the last man standing.

Year 9



Melanie is a very special girl. Dr. Caldwell calls her "our little genius."

Every morning, Melanie waits in her cell to be collected for class. When they come for her, Sergeant Parks keeps his gun pointing at her while two of his people strap her into the wheelchair. She thinks they don't like her. She jokes that she won't bite, but they don't laugh.

Year 10& 11

This half-term, I have been enjoying:

'Happy Head' by Josh Silver. 'Like the Hunger Games but Better' runs the blurb on the cover and I would agree that this book is a must-read if you like dystopian fiction for teenagers- think Insurgent or The Knife of Never Letting Go. In the broken world of this book, teenagers with mental health problems are sent by their family to Happy Head; a facility where teens complete individual and team challenges to build their self-esteem. Things take a dark twist when it becomes clear that there is no escape from Happy Head- and when the challenges quickly become life-threatening. A dark, imaginative, and compelling read! Mr Simpson

Our summaries are taken from the Goodreads website: www.goodreads.com

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

Vacancies

Science Teacher

Salary: MPS1-11 (UPS)

Job Type: Permanent/Fixed Term contract for the right candidate (Part Time applications will also be considered)

Location: Devon Description

Clyst Vale is a thriving and vibrant 11- 18 Community College situated five miles from Exeter. Visitors to Clyst Vale usually comment on the friendly, orderly atmosphere, the courtesy of our students, and the purposefulness in lessons. We have clear expectations and systems, but far more important are the excellent working relationships we establish between staff and students, as well as staff and parents. We remain the only Secondary school in Devon to be accredited Gold Rights Respecting School status. Clyst Vale prides itself on its Science offer from year 7 to 13 and we are looking to appoint an exciting and innovative Teacher of Science and are able to offer a permanent/fixed term contract for the right candidate (PT applications will also be considered). Ideally specialising in Physics, you will be able to teach across key KS3 & KS4, experience of teaching at KS5 would be an advantage. This position is offered on the main teacher's pay scale MPS 1- M11 (UPS) We are looking for an outstanding teacher with excellent subject knowledge; a practitioner who is keen to enthuse students using a variety of approaches; Experience of teaching Physics at GCSE and A level is desirable; A willingness to contribute to the enrichment activities of the Department; A willingness to use data to drive student performance and promote excellence. We welcome applications from ECT's as well as experienced teachers. We have a dynamic and successful Science department which is both supportive and collaborative; the teachers and technicians in our team are committed to achieving the best possible outcomes for all our students and their areas of expertise cover a wide range of scientific disciplines. The successful applicant will benefit from being an integral part of this friendly and professional team. We can offer a unique opportunity to work within a Rights Respecting School with a strong community ethos, a supportive CPD programme, free on-site parking. We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. An enhanced DBS check is required for all successful candidates.

The closing date is Sunday 9th June 2024. Interviews will take place w/c 16th June 2024. You will need to be available to attend for the whole interview day.

Receptionist-MAT cover

Salary £12698 rising to £13128 (actual) pay award pending

Job Type: Fixed Term 3rd September to 23rd May 2025 to cover maternity leave. The contract may end earlier on the return of the post holder.

Location: Devon Description

We are looking for a welcoming and confident receptionist to join us on a fixed term basis. The hours are 23.25 hours per week, Monday - Wednesday 08:15 - 16:30, over 39 weeks per year. This role is ideal for someone who is looking to be at home for the school holidays. As the face of Clyst vale you will be the initial contact for visitors, greeting and directing them as required and responding to inquiries from staff, the public, parents, students. In addition you will be required to undertake a variety of administrative tasks and to ensure efficient, effective and compassionate support to staff, students and all other stakeholders. We are looking for: - Experience of working in a busy reception or administrative setting. - Ability to work alongside a range of people including students, parents, and staff. - Excellent IT skills, including Microsoft suite of programmes. - Experience of SIMS is desirable but training will be given. - GCSE C or equivalent in Maths & English. We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. An enhanced DBS check is required for all successful candidates.

Closing date for all applications is Sunday 9th June 2024. Interviews will take place on Thursday 13th June 2024 You will need to be available to attend for the whole interview day.

To find out more and to apply for any of these positions, please follow this link to our website: https://www.clystvale.org/vacancies/ and click the blue 'Apply Now' button.



Term time /school hours vacancy Resources Technician (Design &Technology)

Salary £12,604-£13,030 actual

Term Time only 22.5 hour per week x 40 weeks 3.5 days per week 8.30am - 3.00pm

We need someone who has

- The ability to carry out general maintenance of workshop equipment
- An interest in supporting and encouraging students to learn more about Design & Technology
- IT skills, including use of computer-controlled equipment, including Laser-cutter, 3D Printers & CNC router (training can be provided for the right candidate)
- A good level of written and spoken English

The iob involves...

Supporting staff and students with use of workshop machinery in lessons. Working with the department to prepare materials and equipment for practical lessons, Helping students and showing them safe working practices.

Motivating and engaging students to complete their DT projects.

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. An enhanced DBS check is required for all successful candidates.

All applicants must have proof of Right to Work in the UK

To apply email please email your CV to recruitment@clystvale.org

Job of the Week

These are provided through the MYPATH careers webpage.

BOTANIST

Botanists play a pivotal role in the study, preservation, and understanding of plant life, as they explore the relationships between plants and their environments.

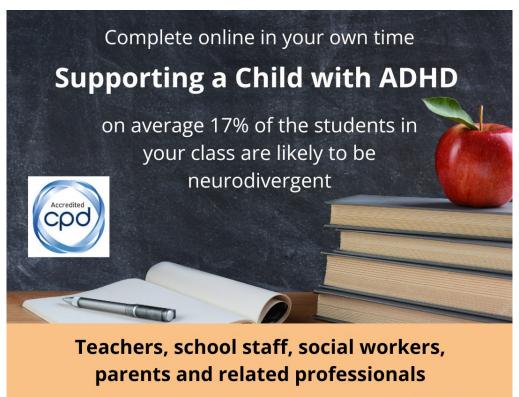
Botanists often collaborate with governmental and environmental agencies, contributing to conservation efforts by identifying endangered species and fighting for their protection.

Fieldwork is a fundamental aspect of their job, involving expeditions to diverse habitats across the UK and beyond to collect samples, conduct experiments, and document plant diversity.

On average, entry level botanists earn around £20,000 per year.

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Community Noticeboard



This popular FACE accredited CPD course is now available as distance learning.



Book online

facefamilyadvice.co.uk £48 CPD certificate included



Devon Digital Services, Devon Family Hubs

'FREE' online sessions for families delivered by Action for Children. We have a range of webinars, workshops and bite sized sessions from Speech & Language, Digi Dads Connect to Play and information around SEND. We have available a resource leaflet after the session with all the links and information that has been shared. Follow our Eventbrite page for all updates - FOLLOW OUR PAGE

Click here for our Eventbrite collection and to book on: https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/devon-digital-webinars-bite-sized-info-sessions-1462829



SUMMER TIMETABLE

Talks are delivered online via zoom 7pm to 9pm £24 each Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

FREE - Supporting Healthy Sleep FREE - Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	27 JUN 30 JUL		
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	16 MAY, 11 JUL, 8 AUG		
Understanding the Teenage Brain	20 MAY, 15 JUL		
Raising Self-Esteem	21 MAY, 16 JUL		
Supporting a Child with ADHD	23 MAY, 20 JUN, 18 JUL, 15 AUG		
Anxiety Explained	30 MAY, 25 JUL, 22 AUG		
Understanding Anger	3 JUN, 29 JUL, 26 AUG		
Introduction to OCD	11 JUN, 6 AUG		
Improving Family Communication	17 JUN, 12 AUG		
Autism: Improving Communication	8 JUL, 5 AUG		
What is ACT?	9 JUL		
Decreasing Depression	23 JUL		
Supporting Healthy Sleep	20 AUG		
Todays Teens & Drugs	27 AUG		
acefamilyadvice.co.uk. info@facefamilyadvice.co.u			



Family & Community Sessions

Exeter, Mid & East Devon Family Hubs

Pop along for a cuppa and speak to Devon County Council about the new Family Hub offer and the buildings proposals - have your voice heard!

Just pop in!









1 -4PM 2.30PM TO 3.30P nut HUB Exmouth HUB lia Avenue Moorfield Road 2 6DJ EX8 3QW





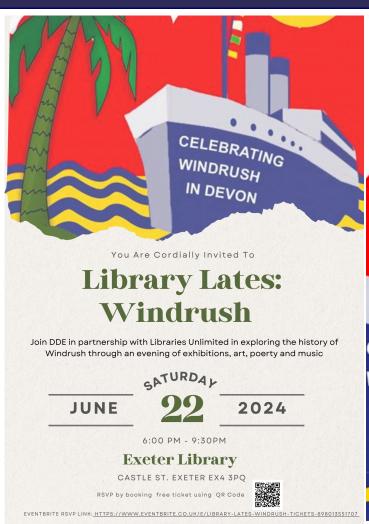
Scan the QR code to read the full consultation document

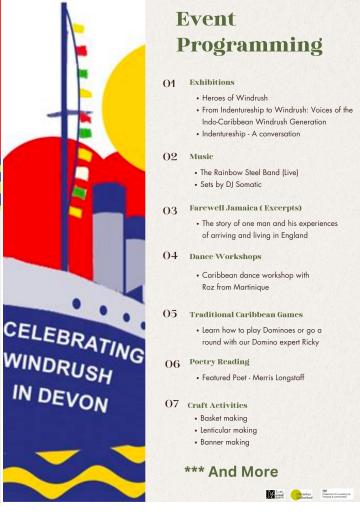






Community Noticeboard







DiAS free online training sessions for parent carers

DiAS has three sessions available this term — each one lasts an hour, plus 30 minutes afterwards for questions and discussion. All are via Teams online.

Demystifying SEND

10-11.30am Wednesday 19 June 2024

Find out more and book your place here:

https://buytickets.at/diasdevoninformationadviceandsupport/1270302

Education Health and Care (EHC) plan reviews

1pm – 2.30pm, Thursday 27 June 2024

Find out more and book your place here:

https://buytickets.at/diasdevoninformationadviceandsupport/1270391

Listening to your child's views

1-2.30pm, Thursday 18 July 2024

Find out more and book your place here:

https://buytickets.at/diasdevoninformationadviceandsupport/1273557

Supporting Learning at Home

Help your child beat exam stress

Tests and exams can be a challenging part of school life for children and young people and their parents or carers. But there are ways to ease the stress.

Follow this link to read more about the signs of stress, making sure your child eats well, helping your child to get enough sleep, being flexible, helping them to study, how to talk about exam nerves, exercise during exams, pressure, treats and when to get help https://www.nhs.uk/mental-health/children-and-young-adults/advice-for-parents/help-your-child-beat-exam-stress/



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

Mock/GCSE 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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