



STOUR VALLEY

— COMMUNITY SCHOOL —

Parent/Carer Bulletin

Autumn Term

Dates

Half

Term

Mon 26 Oct - Fri

30 Oct 2020

Non-pupil

Day

Fri 20 Nov 2020

Dates for your Diary

- Monday 2 November - students return from Half Term
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SVCS Fundraising Events

Please view the following totals for donations raised from fundraising events we have organised so far in 2020-2021:

Macmillan - 2 September 2020 - £72.95

Young Minds "Wear Yellow Day" - 9 September 2020 - £598.15

**Autumn Term
ends**

Fri 18 Dec 2020

Christmas

Break

Mon 21 Dec 2020

- Fri 1 Jan 2021

Spring Term

starts

Mon 4 Jan 2021

**Upcoming
Events this
October &
November**

Friday 23

October

Last school day
before Half Term

Monday 2

November

Students return
from Half Term

Tuesday 10

November

Year 11 Mock
GCSE Exams
commence

Period Poverty

As part of the government initiative to provide free sanitary products for all students who require them, we are setting up a 'Sanitary product Drop In' to allow students to access the products they may need. This will take place on Monday and Wednesday of Week A. Between 1pm and 1:30pm, students are welcome to pop into the main music block entrance and collect products they require. If there is any need to access products in an emergency basis outside of these times, students can visit reception to be supported in their needs.

Car Park Safety

Please pull into an allocated parking bay when dropping your child off and collecting them from school. To protect all site users we must ask you to refrain from stopping or making a U-turn manoeuvre in the entrance or exit areas. May we also kindly remind you that the speed limit in our car park is 5mph. We appreciate your support in keeping you and your child(ren) safe on site. Thank you

Year 8 Food Technology

Year 8 Food Technology students will require the additional ingredients for their bread assessments on the first day back from half term, Monday 2 November.

Message from the Music Department

All students are welcome to give their name to their form tutor if they would like to be part of the SVCS Podcast that launches after half term!

Please may students in year 7 and 8 view their Music Team over half term and learn the lyrics for their song for the Christmas Concert DVD.

GCSE Dance Kit

May we kindly remind parents/carers of GCSE Dance students to ensure that payments are made for any items of Dance kit you wish to purchase for your child. Items requested by students have been made available on ParentPay.

Updating Contact Details

May we kindly request that our parents/carers ensure that contact details are accurate and up to date. If you need to update a recent change in mobile, email, address etc. please use the SIMS Parent App. Should you require login details for the app, please contact K Eady at: keady@stourvalley.org

Year 11 Post-16 Open Events

The Sixth Form College Colchester

Please view the following information regarding applications:

Online applications open Friday 16 October for September 2021 entry and must be made online via the website: www.colchsfc.ac.uk

General 'Introduction to the College': https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kp_JCnAOBY

Prospectus: <https://www.colchsfc.ac.uk/documents/index.php#prospectus>

Further details, for those considering making an application, can be found at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gWfrFyljWxg>

How to choose your course of study

guide: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mv9SwndRIQo>

Please look out for more material on YouTube as part of their online 'Open Evening' - to be launched on 23 October 2020.

West Suffolk College

Please view the following links to book a place at WSC's virtual open events that will take place on Saturday 7 November 9am–1pm and Thursday 26 November 5:30–7:30pm

7 November: <https://www.wsc.ac.uk/about-the-college/events/upcoming-events/8168-virtual-open-event-saturday-7-november-2020>

26 November: <https://www.wsc.ac.uk/about-the-college/events/upcoming-events/8169-virtual-open-event-saturday-26-november-2020>

Long Road Sixth Form, Cambridge Virtual Tour and Open Evenings

17 and 18 November 5-8:30pm.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r-fN8xSWEiU&feature=youtu.be>

<http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/images/LongRd6thFormCollegeVirtualOpenEvenings1.pdf>

<http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/images/VirtualOpenEveningsNovember2020.pdf>

Otley College, Ipswich Virtual Open Event

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ipswich-campus-taster-event-tickets-120180937419>

1 December 2020 – 5:30-8pm

27 February 2020 – 9:30-12 noon

5 May 2020 – 5:30-8pm

Abbeygate Sixth Form College

School liaison presentation - <https://youtu.be/0m79yIkXix8>

Important Letters & Notices

<http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/images/ClareCommunityHub-MemoriesareGolden.pdf>

<http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/images/YOPEYpandemicInitiativesAgreementUnder18s.pdf>

<http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/images/WantedYoungVolunteersToSupportLonelyCareHomeResidentsSecV.pdf>

<http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/images/SampleLettersBy11to16yearolds.pdf>

<http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/images/Guidanceforparentsrefattendanceatschoolifchildisunwell.pdf>

