

STOUR VALLEY

— COMMUNITY SCHOOL —

Parent/Carer Bulletin

Autumn Term Dates

Half Term

Monday 31 May - Friday 4 June
2021

Summer Term ends

Friday 16 July 2021

Summer Break

From Monday 19 July 2021

Upcoming Events this May

Monday 10 May

Year 7-9 Drama Club
commences, 3-4pm

Dates for your Diary this Week

- Monday 10 May - Year 7-9 Drama Club commences, 3-4pm
 - Monday 10 May - Tree sapling planting on school grounds, 2-3pm
 - Tuesday 11 May - Year 9 NHS Meningitis ACWY Tetanus, Diphtheria and Polio immunisation session, 9:30 am-1:00pm
 - Thursday 13 May - Year 11 Psychology revision session, 3-4pm
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Monday 10 May

Rescheduled Sapling Planting,
2-3pm

Tuesday 11 May

Year 9 NHS Meningitis ACWY
Tetanus, Diphtheria and Polio
immunisation session, 9:30 am-
1pm

Thursday 13 May

Year 11 Psychology revision
session, 3-4pm

Monday 24 May

Let's Talk T Levels (virtual
assembly) for all Year Groups,
1:40-2pm

Tuesday 25 May

Next Steps (virtual assembly)
for Year 10, 1:40-2pm

Thursday 27 May

Non-uniform Wear Green Day -
supporting SVCS Eco Projects

Year 7 & 8 Lessons with Cotswold Archaeology

Students at Stour Valley Community School are no strangers when it comes to working with Cotswold Archaeology. Having taken part in community archaeology digs in Clare Castle Country Park on three occasions now, students have helped explore the remains of the Medieval castle there. This year, Cotswold Archaeology have come into school virtually to take lessons with Year 7 and Year 8 students. We were thrilled that Caroline Adams from Cotswold Archaeology has been able to share her knowledge with students on the role of archaeology and provide more depth to students' studies into the Black Death and The English Civil War. Further lessons will follow on Tuesday 25 May and we hope to take part in archaeology digs (Covid permitting) in Clare in the Autumn Term.



Year 11 Psychology Revision Session

There will be a revision session for Psychology students on Thursday 13 May, 3-4pm. Their last test is the following day, so attendance at the revision session is strongly advised. Students will need to have transport home arranged.

Bedrock Vocabulary News

Congratulations to:

Ellen Billimore (Year 7) who achieved 492 points this month - the highest score in the school!

Austin Taylor (Year 8) who made remarkable progress!

Excellent work from many other students who have re-engaged fully with Bedrock homework since lockdown.

Year 9 Technology Rotation - Monday 10 May

RM to Food

Food to Textiles

Textiles to Graphics

Graphics to RM

The Big Ask Survey

May we kindly request that our students complete *The Big Ask Survey* from the new Children's Commissioner as soon as possible. The plan behind the survey is to work out the impact of Covid-19 on particular age groups, see what trends appear and aim to address the main issues making young people unhappy. The voices of young people need to be heard and this is a good way of ensuring they are. There are separate surveys for 9-12 years and 13-17: <https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigask/>

Year 7-9 Drama Club

Drama Club will be starting on Monday 10 May, 3-4pm for Years 7-9! Please note that transport home will need to be arranged for 4pm - thank you.

Co-op Local Community Fund - Have You Chosen Your Cause?

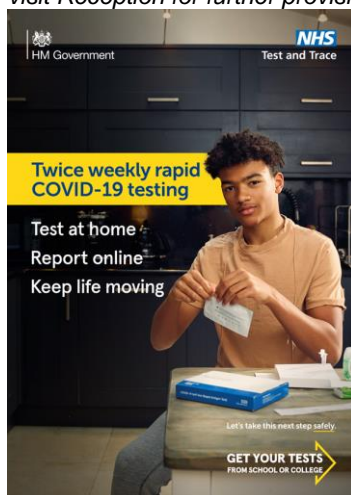
If you are a Co-op member and have already downloaded the Co-op app, please click on the "membership" button and scroll down to choose your worthy cause. It would be great if you opt for us, Stour Valley Community School! ***At the moment, there is £2,120.68 available in our local community as many Co-op members still haven't chosen a cause yet.*** Alternatively, if you are not already a member it would be wonderful if you could please download the Co-op app on your mobile phones and sign up. It's really easy to do and only takes 5 minutes. **Money raised is going towards our open-air swimming pool to help keep it open for the local Community. Clare Swimming Club offer affordable entrance fees to use our fantastic facility which benefits everyone locally, in the form of exercise and wellbeing, and in a safe and fun environment. Summer is just around the corner, and hopefully, as it is an open-air pool, it would be great to be able to use it this year**

following government guidelines of course! Thank you in anticipation of you choosing your local outdoor pool.



Lateral-Flow Testing at Home

May we kindly remind you that your child should take their lateral-flow test twice a week at home, each result should be recorded via the test register link - received via email as a reminder the day of your child's test. Thank you for your support in this matter. *We will be providing more test kits to our students in just a few weeks, however, should you find you require more in the meantime, please invite your child to visit Reception for further provisions.*



Sapling Planting on School Grounds

There is still time for students to sign up for the sapling planting which will take place during Period 5 on Monday 10 May. The sign up sheet is outside the Psychology office, opposite U2. Students who sign up must bring suitable footwear (and outerwear if raining) or unfortunately, they will not be able to participate, thank you.

SVCS Green Day

Thursday 27 May is Stour Valley's first ever *Green Day*. Wear green to school and bring a donation of £1 to help raise funds to help make the school more ECO, starting with a wildflower border around the school grounds.

Data Changes

Please use the SIMS Parent App to advise us of any changes to your address, contact details etc. For parents/carers of students diagnosed with Asthma, may we kindly request you ensure you have entered a tick against *Emergency Inhaler Consent*, this will permit us to provide and emergency inhaler should your child forget their own whilst at school. If you are having trouble accessing the app, please contact info@stourvalley.org - the app guide is also available within our *Important Letter & Notices* section. Thank you.

Year 9 Meningitis ACWY Tetanus, Diphtheria & Polio Immunisations

Following your child's successful HPV immunisation session in the Spring Term. We are pleased to confirm that the NHS Immunisation Team will be returning to administer the Meningitis ACWY Tetanus, Diphtheria and Polio immunisation to our Year 9 students on Tuesday 11 May. Please ensure your child wears a short sleeve shirt under their blazer on this date and we strongly recommend an adequate breakfast, a snack(s) and a water bottle(s). We would greatly appreciate your support in refraining from announcing the session to your child, in the hopes to limit distress in the lead up to the event.

Important Letters & Notices

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/suffolk-rurals-big-day-out-tickets-151961199037> - *Suffolk Rural's Big Day Out, Thursday 3 June*

<http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/news/item/invitation-to-t-level-launch> - *Post-16 T-Level virtual event, Thursday 6 May*

<http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/news/item/fitness-training-academy> - *Post-16 Training opportunity*

<http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/news/item/healthcare-careers-event> - *Healthcare careers event, Saturday 15 May 2021 for Year 10 & 11*

[http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/Call to a member function getElements on null/Awarding of GCSE Grades 2021.pdf](http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/Call%20to%20a%20member%20function%20getElements%20on%20null/Awarding%20of%20GCSE%20Grades%202021.pdf) - *Year 11 Awarding of GCSE Grades 2021 information*

[http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/Call to a member function getElements on null/Year 7 Summer Camp 2021 Cancellation Confirmation.pdf](http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/Call%20to%20a%20member%20function%20getElements%20on%20null/Year%207%20Summer%20Camp%202021%20Cancellation%20Confirmation.pdf) - *Thriftwood Summer Camp Cancellation Notice*

safe@stourvalley.org - *Stour Valley Community School Safeguarding email address*

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