STOUR VALLEY
COMMUNITY SCHOOL

**Be Kind
Be Brave
Be Ambitious
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Parent/Carer Bulletin

Autumn Term Dates

Final School Day before Half Term

21 October

Half Term

24 - 28 October

Non-pupil Day

18 November 2022

Final School Day before Christmas

Break

20 December - *Early closure at 2pm*

Christmas Break

21 December - 3 January 2023

Non-pupil Day

4 January 2023

Dates for your diary week commencing 17 October:

- **Tuesday 18 October - Year 7 EHU English class visit to Clare Library, period 5 (2-3pm)**
- **Tuesday 18 October - U12 Football tournament away at Samuel Ward Academy**
- **Wednesday 19 October - U13 Netball fixture away at TGS**
- **Thursday 20 October - U12 Netball fixture away at TGS**
- **Friday 21 October - School Nurse Drop-in for students in G6, Lunchtime**
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Non-uniform Day Charity Event

Further to our non-uniform day last Friday. A huge THANK YOU for all the money raised in aid of Bone Cancer Research Trust. This small, but totally brilliant charity does so much to help support people of all ages with bone cancer. Mrs Drury, will be presenting at their national conference on Saturday 15 October, where she will hand over every penny raised - £682.74. SVCS- you are amazing!

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My School Lottery

We have set up "my school lottery" as a way of raising funds specifically for our school. If you wish to give it a go, here is the link to get you started - https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/stour-valley-community-school

This link can be shared with any family and friends who you think might like to give it a whirl too. Our first draw is only 16 days away and then weekly thereafter. At the moment there are a couple of bonus prizes to be won if you or your family are Harry Potter fans.

https://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/news/news-archive/item/my-school-lottery Good luck to all those who take part.

£1 per week

SUPPORT OUR LOTTERY TODAY

Weekly cash prizes

£25,000 jackpot

YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY

£1 TICKET

Splitting the £1.00

How it works...

It's simple—choose 6 numbers between 0-9 and if they match the weekly lottery draw, you win great prizes. One of our players will win a cash prize every week, maybe even the £25k jackpot! Tickets cost just £1 per week and the proceeds are donated to Stour Valley Community School

Every Saturday at 8pm the numbers are drawn and posted online. Winners are notified by email and winnings paid into the account of your choice.

The easiest way to join our lottery is online by direct debit or debit card.

It's so easy to join and will make a real difference to Stour Valley Community School

- 40p goes to our school
- 36p goes to cash prizes
- 20p goes to admin costs
- 4p goes to VAT

The Maths... 100 tickets sold a week means
= £30 weekly cash prize
= £2,080 a year for our school

Buy A Ticket

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older

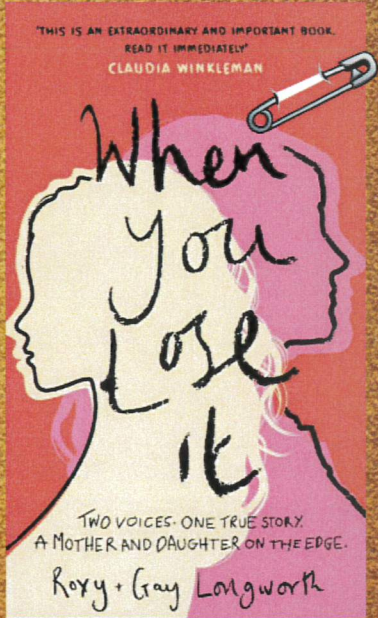## Year 10 & 11 A Christmas Carol Viewing Opportunity

The English department would like to offer your child the opportunity to see a theatre production of **A Christmas Carol** by Quantum Theatre company. This is one of the key texts we study for **GCSE English Literature** and will provide the students an excellent opportunity to understand the plot and key themes of the novella.

The theatre visit will take place on **Monday 21 November** during period 1 and 2, and will cost **£5.** Payments, made as voluntary contributions, need to be made through your ParentPay account. **Payment will need to be made via ParentPay by 28 October.** If you are finding it difficult to make the payment but would like your child to see the production, please email the Finance Office at skemp@stourvalley.org , to enquire about financial assistance.

SVCS Book of the Month

Stour Valley Community School

BOOK OF THE MONTH

MR JENKINS RECOMMENDS....

'THIS IS AN EXTRAORDINARY AND IMPORTANT BOOK. READ IT IMMEDIATELY'
CLAUDIA WINKLEMAN

When you Lose it

TWO VOICES. ONE TRUE STORY.
A MOTHER AND DAUGHTER ON THE EDGE.
Roxy + Gray Longworth

This book gave me an insight into a world that I didn't know anything about. I would recommend this book to our KS4 students.

A memoir that explores the relationship between a mother and daughter.

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Attendance

Please may we kindly ask you to familiarise yourself with our Attendance Policy which can be found on our website - SVCS Attendance Policy

We want to work in partnership with parents/carers to ensure that every student has the opportunity to meet their potential. However, we must advise you that Stour Valley Community School work alongside the Local Authority who will have the responsibility to enforce school attendance and take court action where necessary. We do not authorise any holiday during term-time and any period of unauthorised absence of four or more school days (eight sessions) will trigger a fixed penalty notice fine which is issued by Suffolk County Council.

If your child is unable to attend school, please would you contact us before 8:00am on 01787 326 941 or by email studentabsence@stourvalley.org to advise us of the reason for their absence so that we can update the register. Please note that confirmation is required on each day of subsequent absence.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Career/job Talk

Would you be willing to come into school to talk about your job/career? If yes, please complete this short survey to provide us with your contact details. This will enable us to reach out when we plan careers activities where we need some support or a wider variety of volunteers. You will always be able to turn us down, but it would be great to know what expertise we have within our community.

Link to survey: https://app.bouncetogether.co.uk/shrt/HQDGPIO0BQ This initial survey will close before half term and will take no longer than five minutes to complete. Please contact Miss Howard at: lhoward@stourvalley.org if you have any questions.

Clare Repair

PROBLEM WITH YOUR BIKE?

Does your bike need some love?
If so, we could help here at school...
and for free!
Simply find or email Mr Stephens
and he can let you know how!

CLARE REPAIR

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Letters & Notices

https://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/downloads/Halloween_Film_Club_October_2022_Offshoot_Foundation.pdf - *Offshoot Foundation Halloween Film Challenge this Half Term*

https://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/our-school/trips-and-visits - *Trips and visits section of our website*

https://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/news/letters-home - *Letters home section of our website*

https://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/files/letters/Extra_Curricular_Timtable_Autumn_Term_2022.pdf - *Autumn Term Extra Curricular Timetable*

https://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/files/letters/Relationship__Sex_Educational_Policy_May_2022_DRAFT_FOR_PARENT_CONSULTATION.pdf - *Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) Policy*

https://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/news - *Price & Buckland Uniform Orders*

studentabsence@stourvalley.org - *Stour Valley Community School Attendance reporting email address*

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