



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

*school day ending at the
earlier time of 2pm

Summer Break

From Monday 19 July 2021

Upcoming Events this June

Monday 14 June

Sports Clubs resume this
week, 3-4pm

Tuesday 15 June

Activities afternoon, 2-3pm

Dates for your Diary Week Commencing 14 June

- Monday 14 June - Girls Sports Night resumes, 3-4pm
- Wednesday 16 June - Cricket Club at Cavendish Cricket Club commences, 3-4:15 pm
- Tuesday 15 June - Year 8 & 9 Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) & Year 9 (only) Meningitis ACWY & Tetanus, Diphtheria & Polio catch-up session
- Tuesday 15 June - Activities Afternoon, 2-3pm
- Thursday 17 June - Boys Sports Night resumes, 3-4pm
- Thursday 17 June - Year 10 Psychology revision session, 3-4pm

Activities Afternoon

The next Activities Afternoon is scheduled for Tuesday 15 June. Looking at the longer-term forecast, Tuesday looks to be dry but very warm. Water bottles will be a must for students along with sun cream and hats for outdoor activities. We look forward to another great day!

Tuesday 15 June

Year 8 & 9 Human

Papilloma Virus (HPV) &

Year 9 (only) Meningitis

ACWY & Tetanus,

Diphtheria & Polio catch-up session

Monday 21 June

Clare Town Suffolk Day

Celebration, selected

Year 8 participants, 9-

11am and selected Year 9 participants, 2-5pm

Monday 21 June

Year 10 Exam Week 1

Monday 28 June

Year 10 Exam Week 2

Year 7 & 8 Technology Rotation

From Monday 14 June:

Year 7

RM to Food

Food to Textiles

Textiles to RM

Year 8

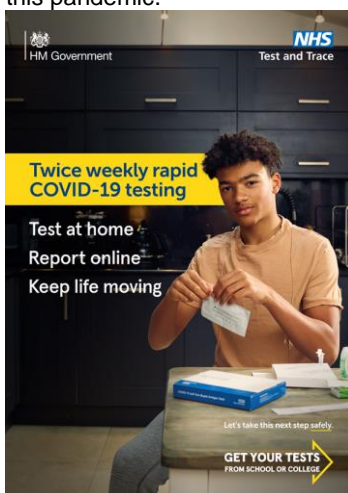
RM to Food

Food to Graphics

Graphics to RM

Lateral-flow Testing at Home

Please make sure that your child completes a Lateral Flow Test and uploads the results, 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 and for your ongoing support throughout this pandemic.



Year 11 Exams Appeals

Please view the following link for information and guidance from the Department for Education, regarding exam appeals:

<https://dfemedia.blog.gov.uk/2021/06/09/exam-appeals-what-can-i-do-if-i-think-my-grade-is-wrong-how-do-i-appeal-what-will-happen-if-i-appeal->

[your-questions-answered/](#)



Vaccination Catch-up Session

The NHS immunisation team will be with us on Tuesday 15 June for the following catch-up vaccinations for students who missed their previous scheduled session:

- Year 8 & 9 Human Papilloma Virus (HPV)
- Year 9 (only) Meningitis ACWY & Tetanus, Diphtheria & Polio

If your child is due to be included in this session, please ensure they wear a short sleeve shirt, have a substantial breakfast and bring adequate water and snacks to school for the day. Should you have any enquiries, please contact the immunisation team by email: ccs-tr.suffolkimmsteam@nhs.net or telephone 0300 555 5055.

Year 11 Post-16 Courses

Please check the Year 11 Teams page for information about post-16 courses, virtual work experience and apprenticeship vacancies.

Autumn Term Gardening Club

Should any parents/carers be interested in volunteering to help with a gardening club/allotment project starting in September, please contact Ms Chappell at: kchappell@stourvalley.org to express your interest in the first instance.

Student Water Bottles

May we remind our students how vital it is to remember their water bottle(s) for school each day, particularly now the warmer weather has arrived, it is essential to have water regularly during the school day. We have cold water available via our two water dispensers, located in the PE area and the Technology corridor. Students can top up their reusable bottles throughout the day - thank you for your support in this matter.

SVCS Library Update

We have decided to update/upgrade our whole school Library Management System and have bought in the services of Accessit (<https://accessitlibrary.com/>). That's the good news - the downside of any change like this is that it involves a complete audit/inventory of our current library stock along with migrating data to our new partnership. This will take time and students will not be able to have books issued to them for

approx. 10 days - if you have a good stock of your own books at home it would be useful for students to bring their own books in or they can speak with Miss Kornasova, Miss Lucas or their English teachers as we have book boxes with spare books to share if there are any problems with getting books.

When the system is fully functional, parents/carers, students and staff will be able to access the LMS from any platform/phone/tablet etc. This means that books can be reserved, overdue notices can be shared and reminders from staff regarding topic/project resources and websites can be shared.

The new system is a whole-school *Learning Hub* not just a way of issuing library books. Thank you for your patience and we look forward to the formal roll out in September. Mr Spalding (Line Manager: Library).

Year 10 Psychology Revision Sessions

We are pleased to confirm that Year 10 after school Psychology revision sessions will continue every Thursday right up until the date of the Psychology exam.

Options Update

The Year 9 students will receive confirmation of their Year 10 options allocations on Thursday 1 July. The students will receive two sheets, one to keep and one for you to sign and return to the school office **by Friday 9 July**. We will also email a copy to you.

School Nurse Drop in Service

We are pleased to confirm that the School Nurse drop-in service for our students has resumed this Summer Term, the next scheduled session is: Monday 5 July 12:55-2pm in room G6.

Medication for Students during the School Day

We would like to remind our parents/carers that we have a secure medical cabinet in our first-aid room. Should your child require medication during the school day or is prone to headaches/stomach aches and needs general medication i.e. Paracetamol or Ibuprofen, please label their medication with their name, along with a note of dosage. Medications can then be securely stored and administered as required. 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.



Important Letters & Notices

<http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/news/item/could-you-foster> - **NEXUS Fostering**

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

[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**

[http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/Call to a member function getElements on null/sims parent app guide.pdf](http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/Call%20to%20a%20member%20function%20getElements%20on%20null/sims%20parent%20app%20guide.pdf) - **SIMS Parent App Guide**

