



# STOUR VALLEY

— COMMUNITY SCHOOL —

## Parent/Carer Bulletin

### ***Autumn Term***

#### ***Dates***

##### **Non-pupil Day**

Fri 20 Nov 2020

##### **Autumn Term**

##### **ends**

Fri 18 Dec 2020

### **Dates for your Diary**

- Friday 20 November - Non-pupil Day
- Monday 23 November - Year 11 GCSE Mock Exams continue

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### **Co-op Local Community Fund**

We are delighted that our school has been selected to take part in the *Co-op Local Community Fund*. Please view the following link for further information

**Christmas**

**Break**

Mon 21 Dec 2020 -

Fri 1 Jan 2021

**Spring Term**

**starts**

Mon 4 Jan 2021

**Upcoming Events**

**this November**

**Friday 20**

**November**

Non-pupil Day

**Monday 23**

**November**

Year 11 GCSE

Mock Exams

continue

regarding our cause and how to support SVCS if you are a Co-op member.

Thank you:

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



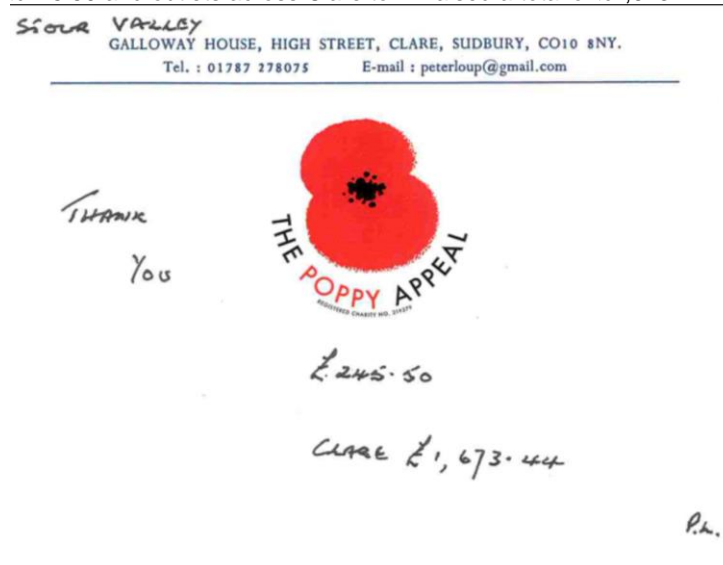
**Year 11 GCSE Mock Exams**

Please view the following requirements for students when entering exams:

- Clear plastic pencil cases must be used for equipment
- Mobile phones must be stored in student bags
- Smart watches are not permitted
- Standard watches must be taken off once seated and placed on exam desks

**Poppy Appeal at SVCS**

We would like to express our gratitude to you and your child(ren) for all the generous donations made to this year's Poppy Appeal. In total we raised £245.50 and outlets across Clare town raised a total of £1,673.44. Thank you!



## SVCS Christmas Lunch

Christmas lunch will be available in the canteen on Thursday 17 December. Students will need to book their lunch by completing a form (available in the Hall) and handing it to the ladies on the tills by **Monday 23 November**. The cost is £2.30 and this will be deducted from ParentPay accounts.

## Face Coverings

Please ensure your child(ren) has their face mask for school each day. Students are also advised to carry a spare mask incase they misplace their original during the school day. We hold an emergency supply of face masks for our first aiders and would appreciate your support in this matter to ensure our supply is not depleted - Thank you.

## Year 11 Post-16 Open Events

### Thomas Gainsborough School Sixth Form

*Message from TGS* - Unfortunately, due to the current government guidelines, we are not able to facilitate our Sixth Form Open Evening - apologies.

Nonetheless, please take a look at our [promotional video](#), which will give you an insight into what we offer and what the students, teachers and alumni think.

If you are contemplating TGS Sixth Form as your 'next step', please click the link below:

You should find everything you need to know [here](#), but if you would like to find out anything else, or book an appointment with the Sixth Form Team, please email: [sixthform@tgschool.net](mailto:sixthform@tgschool.net)

### 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](http://www.colchsfc.ac.uk)*

The general 'Introduction to the

College': [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kp\\_-JCnAOBY](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=qWfrFyljWxg>

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>

<https://www.wsc.ac.uk/find-a-course/16-18-year-olds>

### **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

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## **Important Letters & Notices**

[safe@stourvalley.org](mailto:safe@stourvalley.org) - *Stour Valley Community School Safeguarding email address*

<http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/images/OneCopStopNewsletterSecondaryAntibullyin.pdf> - *Suffolk Constabulary Newsletter*

<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/Guidanceforparentsrefattendanceatschoolifcildisunwell.pdf>



