



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

- *No upcoming events next week*

Work for Students In Self-Isolation

If a student needs to self-isolate because they are unwell, there is no expectation that they should be completing school work until they are feeling better. Those students who are self-isolating because they have been instructed to do so, or have received a positive Covid-19 test but are feeling well, will be

Autumn Term**ends**

Fri 18 Dec 2020

Christmas**Break**

Mon 21 Dec 2020 -

Fri 1 Jan 2021

Spring Term**starts**

Mon 4 Jan 2021

provided with a pack of work from school which we will deliver to their home address. Work is not being provided on Teams or emailed for individual absences due to the amount of time it takes teachers to create these activities whilst also teaching the normal timetable. The pack will include work from each subject area and will match what is being covered in lessons. Where an exact match to the work is not possible, for example in a practical learning subject, then work which contributes to the overall project will be provided.

If a student has Covid-19 symptoms and is waiting for a test we will provide work once the positive test result is confirmed. As you will appreciate, we are receiving calls each day about different students being in self-isolation. It is not an efficient use of staff time to set up and arrange delivery of work packs, only to find the student has returned to school within 48 hours after a negative test result. Whilst they are at home, students can use a range of resources to continue their learning, if they are well enough. These could include Mathswatch, Bedrock (Years 7-9), Bitesize, Oak Academy, Seneca, code.org or any of the other online resources which students have been shown.

Staff can be emailed with any questions. Please be aware that these may not be answered until the end of the day as lessons are continuing as normal in school. The work packs will remain under review and different arrangements will be published for a lockdown or partial closure situation.

Absence Reporting

Any student absence should be reported via the direct absence line: 01787 326941 on EACH day your child is absent. The reason or type of illness should be advised. You can either leave a message on this line before 8am or email at: keady@stourvalley.org

Instrumental Lessons

Instrumental lessons start next week and if you would like your child to have lessons on one of the following instruments please email Mr Sodey at csodey@stourvalley.org for a letter and reply as soon as possible to secure a place for your child:

Acoustic Guitar, Electric Guitar, Ukulele, Bass Guitar

Piano

Drum kit, Percussion

Strings – Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass

Woodwind – Flute, Saxophone, Clarinet

Brass – Trumpet, Trombone, Baritone, French Horn

