



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

- Monday 9 November - virtual remembrance assembly, 1:40-2pm
- Tuesday 10 November - Year 11 Mock GCSE Exams commence
- Wednesday 11 November - Remembrance Day 2020 

**Christmas
Break**

Mon 21 Dec 2020
- Fri 1 Jan 2021

**Spring Term
starts**

Mon 4 Jan 2021

**Upcoming
Events this
November**

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

Thank you:

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



Remembrance 2020

Plans are in place for students to take an active part in Remembrance this year, despite the pandemic. Our 2020 theme is hope and planned activities will be aimed at improving students' understanding of World War Two in the Far East and 'The Forgotten Army.' We will begin the week with an assembly on Monday (streamed into classrooms) followed by a series of form time activities throughout the week. As part of these activities, students will be hearing extracts from the memoir of a 96 year-old Long Melford resident. Called up at 18 years old, he was sent to the India/Burma border in 1944. We are very grateful to him for giving us permission to share his experiences with our students. On Wednesday 11 November, the whole school will observe 2 minutes silence at 11am and a smaller group of students will then lay a wreath in the remembrance site at the front of the school.

Poppy Appeal: We would like to support the Royal British Legion again this year. Products for sale are shown in the image below and are available from the Front Office. Suggested donations for poppies are 50p, wristbands £1 and for snap bands £1.50. If your son or daughter would like to purchase any of these items, then please send him/her to school with the correct change.

Thank you for your continued support. - Miss Terry



Zip pull - **Suggested** Donation: 50p



Reflector - **Suggested** Donation: 50p



Silicon wristband - **Suggested** Donation: £1.00



Snap band - **Suggested** Donation: £1.50



Anti-Bullying Week at SVCS

We have celebrated Anti-Bullying week in school this week.

Thank you to the Prefect Team who produced an excellent assembly during the half-term break. This has been shown to all form groups, with messages of the assembly being reinforced in tutor time discussions. Every tutor group has made a pledge to help put a stop to all forms of bullying. The Prefects are also running an anti-bullying poster competition. All entries need to be received by PM tutor time on Monday 16 November. Good luck!

Year 9 Tech Rotation from Monday 9 November

- RM to Food
- Food to Textiles
- Textiles to Graphics
- Graphics to RM

Please note that new timetables will be distributed on Monday 9 November.

Year 10 Geography Revision Guides

Revision guides are now available for purchase via ParentPay. They are priced at £4.50 and will be available for students to collect from the Front Office once purchased. The revision guides are aligned to both the exam board and specification taught in Geography, they also link to the text books that are often used in class.

Year 11 Post-16 Open Events

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

The general 'Introduction to the College': 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=gWfrFyljWxg>

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>

Long Road Sixth Form, Cambridge Virtual Tour and Open Evenings

17 and 18 November 5-8:30pm.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r-fN8xSWEiU&feature=youtu.be>

<http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/images/LongRd6thFormCollegeVirtualOpenEvenings1.pdf>

<http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/images/VirtualOpenEveningsNovember2020.pdf>

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

Abbeygate Sixth Form College

School liaison presentation - <https://youtu.be/0m79yIkXix8>

Important Letters & Notices

<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/Guidanceforparentsrefattendanceatschoolifchildisunwell.pdf>

