

# STOUR VALLEY

— COMMUNITY SCHOOL —

## Parent/Carer Bulletin

### **Autumn Term Dates**

#### **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 21 June**

Drama Club, 3-4pm

#### **Monday 21 June**

Girls Sports Night, 3-4pm

#### **Monday 21 June**

Clare Town Suffolk Day

Celebration, selected Year 8

### **Dates for your Diary Week Commencing 21 June**

- 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 Examinations Week 1
- Monday 21 June - Girls Sports Night, 3-4pm
- Monday 21 June - Drama Club, 3-4pm
- Wednesday 23 June - Cricket Club at Cavendish Cricket Club, 3-5pm
- Wednesday 23 June - Martial Arts Club, 3-4pm
- Wednesday 23 June - Activities Afternoon, 2-3pm
- Thursday 24 June - Boys Sports Night, 3-4pm
- Thursday 24 June - Year 10 Psychology revision session, 3-4pm

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### **Activities Afternoons**

The next Activities Afternoon is on Wednesday 23 June. There is a more unsettled weather pattern next week. With this in mind, please be aware

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

**Monday 21 June**

Year 10 Exam Week 1

**Wednesday 23 June**

Cricket Club at Cavendish

Cricket Club, 3-5pm

**Wednesday 23 June**

Activities Afternoon, 2-3pm

**Thursday 24 June**

Boys Sports Night, 3-4pm

**Thursday 24 June**

Year 10 Psychology revision  
session, 3-4pm

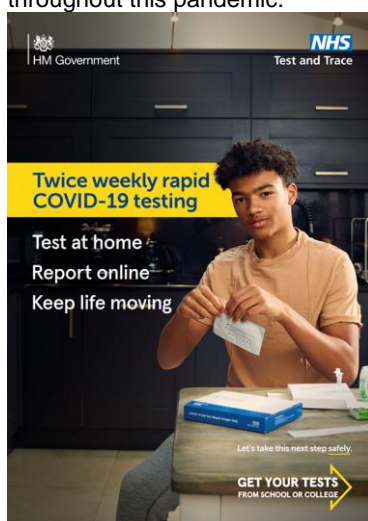
**Monday 28 June**

Year 10 Exam Week 2

that the activities will still go ahead in the event of light rain and we would ask all parents and carers to help students come to school with waterproofs. In the event of very heavy rain, we will be in touch in advance to change the date. Here's to another good week.

## 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.



## Weekly Cricket Club

Our weekly Cricket Club has been extended to 3-5pm every Wednesday, in order to give participants more time to train at Cavendish Cricket Club. Therefore, students attending will require collection from the location at this later time.

## 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.

## 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/>



## 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](mailto:kchappell@stourvalley.org) to express your interest in the first instance.

## 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).

## 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.

## 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.



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## 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*

[safe@stourvalley.org](mailto: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_parent_app_guide.pdf) - *SIMS Parent App Guide*

