

STOUR VALLEY

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Parent/Carer Bulletin

Autumn Term Dates

Final School Day before Half Term

21 October

Half Term

24 - 28 October

Non-pupil Day

18 November 2022

Final School Day before Christmas

Break

20 December - *Early closure at 2pm*

Christmas Break

21 December - 3 January 2023

Non-pupil Day

Dates for your diary week commencing 31 October:

- Monday 31 October - Students return from Half Term
- Friday 4 November - School Nurse Drop-in for students in G6, Lunchtime

Can You Sew?

Can You Sew? If so the Grease Production Team needs you! We are looking for one or two volunteers to help with altering and/or making costumes for the production. If you think you have the time and skills to lend us, please get in touch with Miss Duffy dduffy@stourvalley.org for more details!



Upcoming Events this November

Monday 31 October

Students return from Half Term

Friday 4 November

School Nurse Drop-in session for students in G6, Lunchtime

Tuesday 8 November

Year 7EHT and Year 10 Prince's Trust to Clare Library during Period 5, 2-3pm

Wednesday 9 November

GCSE Drama and Year 9 New Wolsey Theatre, Ipswich, viewing Noughts & Crosses, 12-4:45pm approx.

Thursday 10 November

Final ski trip meeting, 6-7pm

Friday 11 November

School Nurse Drop-in session for students in G6, Lunchtime

Tuesday 15 November

Year 7 Power & Protest Day (students off timetable), all day event

Tuesday 15 November

Year 7EHS and Year 10 Prince's Trust to Clare Library during Period 5, 2-3pm

Thursday 17 November

Year 9 Parent/Carer Evening, 4-6pm

Friday 18 November

Non-pupil Day

Monday 21 November

Year 10 & 11 viewing of Quantum Theatre's *A Christmas Carol*, 8:30-

Anti-social Behaviour Over Halloween - A Message From Suffolk Police

Suffolk Police have requested that all schools make families aware that there will be a crack-down on anti-social behaviour over the Halloween period. There will be an increased Police presence during this period and we are being told that, where necessary, individuals will be dealt with robustly.

Officers reiterate that we all want to enjoy this time, and they look forward to engaging with those out and about and seeing all the imaginative and wacky costumes. However, the Police will not tolerate the wider community being affected by the anti-social behaviour of a select few.

As a school, we wish you and your families a happy and safe half-term.

Ski Trip 2023

With the Ski Trip getting ever closer I would like to remind you that the final ski trip information evening before we depart will be held on Thursday 10 November at 6pm in the school hall. During this meeting you will be provided with further details including minor changes to the itinerary and staffing of the trip, receive an update on Covid entry requirements to Italy, be given packing lists for both 'cabin' and 'hold' baggage as well as be provided with essential information on ski trip clothing and what students are and are not permitted to bring on the trip. Attendance is therefore highly recommended.

School Canteen Menus

Vive Canteen have provided their new autumn/winter menus, which can be viewed via the following link:

https://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/downloads/Vive_Weekly_Menus_Aug22_Landscape_A3_V2_1.pdf

May we also kindly remind parents/carers to regularly check lunch accounts to ensure they remain at sufficient funds as students purchase items at the canteen, thank you.

Seasonal Medicines

It's that time of year again when unwelcome colds and coughs are unfortunately more frequent, and many students require medication prior to and during the school day to help them through. With this in mind, we would kindly request that you provide your child with a supply of applicable medication if needed (Paracetamol/Calpol/Ibuprofen), to hand in at Reception for secure storage in the medical cabinet. The Front Office can then provide your child with a required dose of their medicine to ease any ongoing symptoms. Thank you for your support in this matter.

10:30am

Tuesday 22 November

Purple Days - Wear purple non-uniform day to celebrate the life of

Haydn Restarick



Tuesday 22 November

Year 7EHO and Year 10 Prince's Trust to Clare Library during Period 5, 2-3pm

Thursday 24 November

KS4 Rewards Evening, 7-8pm

Friday 25 November

School Nurse Drop-in session for students in G6, lunchtime

Friday 25 November

Charity cake sale, breaktime

Monday 28 November

Haverhill Food Bank collection for Christmas commences

Tuesday 29 November

Year 7EHR and Year 10 Prince's Trust to Clare Library during Period 5, 2-3pm

Year 10 & 11 A Christmas Carol Viewing Opportunity

The English department would like to offer your child the opportunity to see a theatre production of **A Christmas Carol** by Quantum Theatre company. This is one of the key texts we study for **GCSE English Literature** and will provide the students an excellent opportunity to understand the plot and key themes of the novella.

The theatre visit will take place on **Monday 21 November** during period 1 and 2 and will cost **£5**. Payments, made as voluntary contributions need to be made through your ParentPay account. **Payment will need to be made via ParentPay by 28 October**. If you are finding it difficult to make the payment but would like your son/daughter to see the production, please email the Finance Office at skemp@stourvalley.org, to enquire about financial assistance.



SVCS Book of the Month

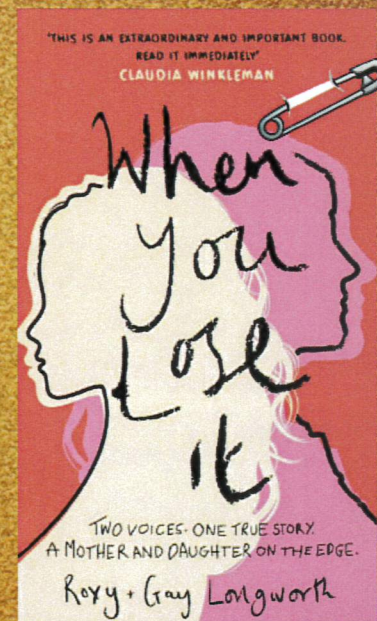
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BOOK OF THE MONTH

MR JENKINS RECOMMENDS....



This book gave me an insight into a world that I didn't know anything about. I would recommend this book to our KS4 students.



A memoir that explores the relationship between a mother and daughter.



Letters & Notices

https://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/downloads/Halloween_Film_Club_October_2022_Offshoot_Foundation.pdf - *Offshoot Foundation Halloween Film Challenge this Half Term*

<https://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/our-school/trips-and-visits> - *Trips and visits section of our website*

<https://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/news/letters-home> - *Letters home section of our website*

https://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/files/letters/Extra_Curricular_Timetable_Autumn_Term_2022.pdf - *Autumn Term Extra Curricular Timetable*

https://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/files/letters/Relationship_Sex_Educational_Policy_May_2022_DRAFT_FOR_PARENT_CONSULTATION.pdf - *Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) Policy*

<https://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/news> - *Price & Buckland Uniform Orders*

studentabsence@stourvalley.org - *Stour Valley Community School Attendance reporting email address*

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