

Parent Carer Bulletin

Autumn Term Dates

20 December, last day of Autumn Term and **early closure at 12 noon**

23 December - 3 January, Christmas Break

Events this Half Term

Monday 9 December, Clare Community Carols at the Clare Baptist Church, 7-9pm

Tuesday 10 December, Year 10 Geography Hazards masterclass, periods 1-5

Wednesday 11 December, Lockdown Drill today

Monday 16 December, Awards Assembly Week

Tuesday 17 December, Year 7 Pantomime Trip, 8:30am -3:30pm

Wednesday 18 December, Stour Valley Christmas Concert, 7-9pm approx.

Wednesday 18 December, Vive Canteen Christmas Lunch, 1:15-2pm

Friday 20 December, last day of Autumn Term and **early closure at 12pm**

Dates for your diary week commencing 9 December:

- **Monday 9 December - Clare Community Carols at the Clare Baptist Church, 7-9pm**
- **Tuesday 10 December - Year 10 Geography Hazards masterclass, periods 1-5**

SVCS Christmas Concert



PSHE Department Update

Please find below, this week's edition for your viewing:

[PSHE Autumn Term 2 Week 6.pdf](#)

SVCS Christmas Pop-up Shop

The Charity Council are running their Christmas Pop-Up shop again this year. If anyone has any items they would like to donate for us to sell, could they be sent into school and Miss Woods will collect them. (Donations needed between 9-13 December). We love giving pre-owned and pre-loved items a second life by saving them from landfill. The charities that we will be supporting this year are Make a Wish and Shelter:

[Children's charity, granting wishes to seriously ill children | Make-A-Wish UK Home - Shelter England](#)

Haverhill Foodbank



Christmas Food Bank Collection

With the cost-of-living crisis not everyone has enough, which can be especially hard at Christmas time when we celebrate and come together as family and community.

As part of the community, we are once again collecting for the local foodbank so we can give Christmas joy to others.

Bring your donations in and deposit to Miss Woods in U7 by December 16th.

Christmas Shopping List

We're incredibly grateful for anything you can donate to the foodbank to help local people facing hardship this Christmastime.

- Tubs of chocolate
- Christmas cake*
- Sweets
- Selection boxes
- Crackers for cheese
- Christmas pudding*
- Biscuits
- Mince pies*
- Festive savoury nibbles
- Yule log or Stollen

*Please: No items containing alcohol e.g. brandy.

NOT needed:

- ~~Beans~~
- ~~Pasta~~
- ~~Tinned meat~~
- ~~Tinned vegetables~~
- ~~Tinned fish~~
- ~~Soup~~

Reach Community Projects | Haverhill Foodbank Together with You!

0800 009 6710 | info@reachhaverhill.org.uk | www.reachhaverhill.org.uk/christmas

Free School Meals Guidance

We would like to remind you that the guidance for Vive Canteen Meal Deals is available via our website as follows:

[https://stourvalley.org/downloads/Vive Price List - November 2024.pdf](https://stourvalley.org/downloads/Vive_Price_List_-_November_2024.pdf)

If your child is eligible for Free School Meals, please familiarise them with this menu so they can select the correct items when visiting the canteen. Thank you.

Contacting the School

Your child's form tutor should be your first point of contact for any concerns or issues. They will be able to deal with your enquiry or will pass it on to the most appropriate member of staff who may contact you. If the matter is directly related to a specific subject, the subject teacher or head of department is the best contact. All staff email addresses are on the website (a link here): [Staff Contacts - Stour Valley Community School](#)

If you call the school, you will appreciate that staff also have teaching commitments which means they may not always be available to take your call immediately. Also, please do not turn up at the school expecting to see a member of staff without a prior appointment.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Use of Mobile Phones

As a polite reminder, students are not allowed to use their mobile phones during the school day. If they are feeling unwell or need to contact home, they must visit reception. Likewise, if you could please contact reception if you have any messages you would like to be passed on.



❄️ Important Letters & Notices ❄️

<https://support.overnetdata.com/knowledge-base/how-do-parents-update-their-information-in-edulink-one/> - How do parents/carers view and update information in EduLink One
studentabsence@stourvalley.org - Stour Valley Community School Attendance reporting email address
safe@stourvalley.org - Stour Valley Community School Safeguarding email address

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