



Parent Carer Bulletin

Autumn Term Dates

23 Oct - 27 Oct 2023, Half Term

17 November 2023, Non-pupil Day

21 Dec 2023 - 2 Jan 2024, Christmas Break

Events this September

Thursday 28 September
Post-16 and Careers Evening, 6-8pm

Dates for your diary week commencing 25 September:

- **Thursday 28 September – Post-16 and Careers Evening, 6-8pm**

Jeans for Genes

Miss Woods and the Charity Council members would like to thank everyone who donated to our fundraising non-uniform day for the charity Jeans for Genes. If you would like to see the wonderful work they do, please go to: <https://www.jeansforgenes.org/funding-in-action>

Dinner/Tuck Money Top Up

We would like to remind parents/carers to check their children's ParentPay accounts **at least weekly** to ensure there is sufficient money for the following week's purchases. It is really important for you to let your children know how much they have to spend on a daily/weekly basis as this will help them with budgeting, and it is also a great opportunity for you to reinforce what food choices you would like your children to make.

EduLink User Instructions

How do parents/carers view and update their information in EduLink

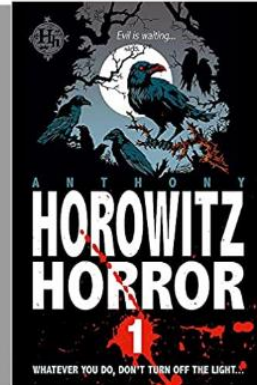
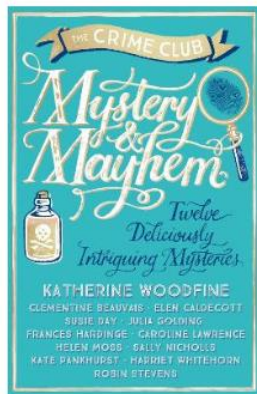
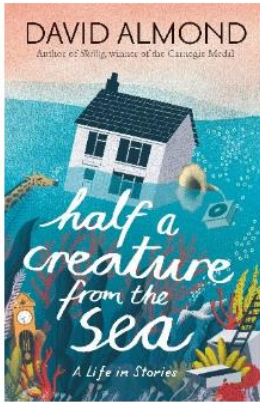
One: <https://support.overnetdata.com/knowledge-base/how-do-parents-update-their-information-in-edulink-one/>

Textiles Bank at SVCS

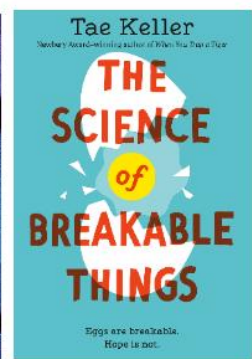
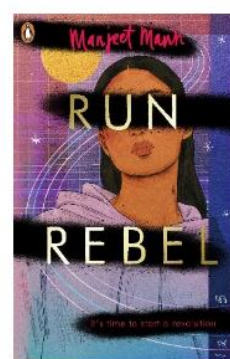
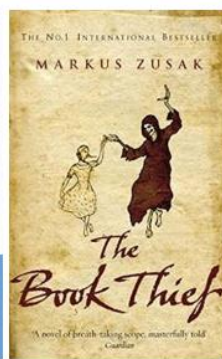
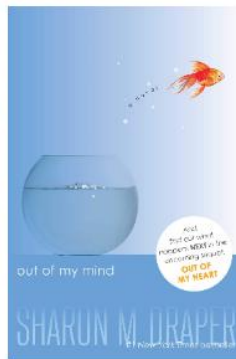
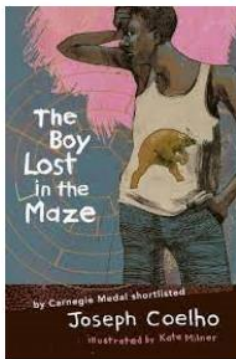
Please drop your unwanted clothes and shoes in our new collection bin by the bike sheds of the school car park (all items must be bagged). Items will go on to be recycled and re-used.

Autumnal Reading Recommendations

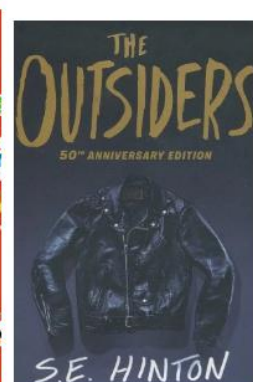
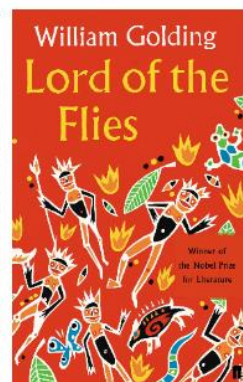
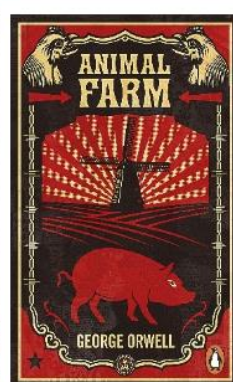
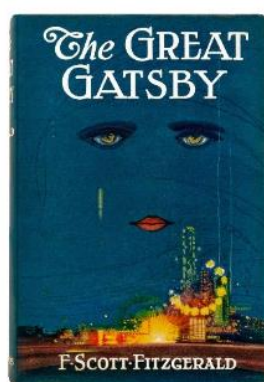
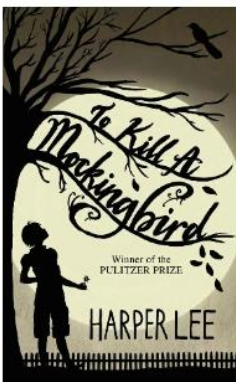
Year 7: 19th Century Stories- Autumn 1 SVCS English Department Recommends...



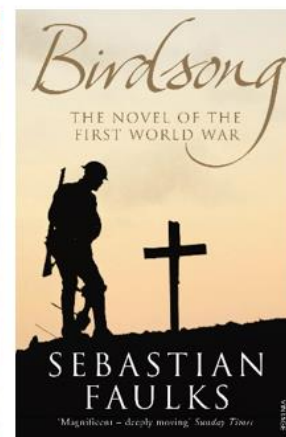
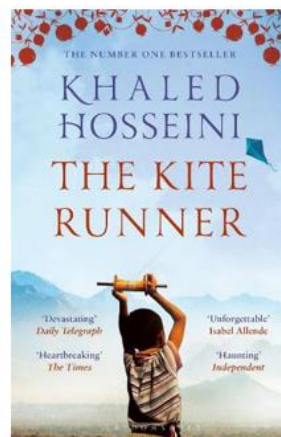
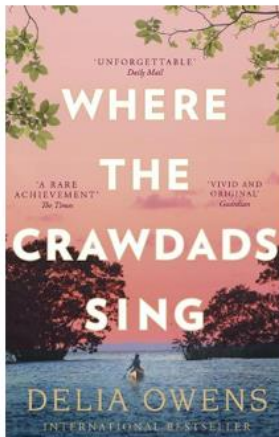
Year 8: Novel- Autumn term SVCS English Department Recommends...



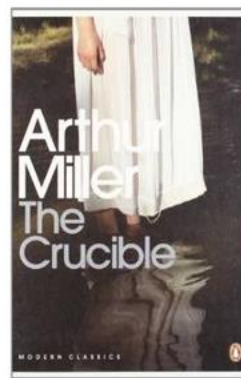
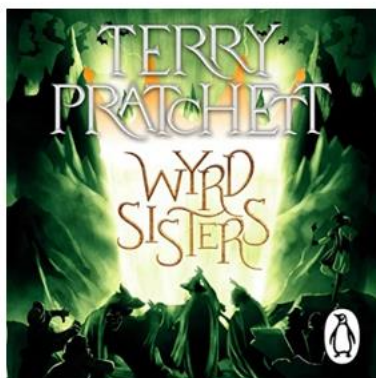
Year 9: Of Mice and Men- Autumn 1 SVCS English Department Recommends...



Year 10: Language Paper 1 (Fiction)- Autumn 1 SVCS English Department Recommends...



Year 11: Macbeth- Autumn 1 SVCS English Department Recommends...



Year Psychology Revision

The Year 11 Psychology revision sessions will be every Wednesday, 3-4pm with Ms Chappell

Year 11 English Revision

Year 11 English revisions will start next week on Thursday 28 September in U5, 3pm-3:45pm. The sessions will be commencing with revision on Language Paper 2, ready for mocks.

Stour Valley Community School Post-16 and Careers Evening 28 September 6-8pm



Welcome and information at 6pm – Assistant Headteacher Nathan Sims
Followed by:

An introduction to **Apprenticeships** – Natalie Phillips (The AIM Group)

An introduction to **University** – Representative from the University of Suffolk

Representatives from the following educational establishments will have stall for you to visit and ask questions until 8pm:

West Suffolk College
Abbeygate Sixth Form
Thomas Gainsborough School
Colchester Sixth Form
Colchester Institute
Long Road Sixth Form
St Benedict's Sixth Form
Suffolk One
Samuel Ward
The Learning Curve
The New Croft

The University of Suffolk
The University of East Anglia

The AIM Group
Suffolk Constabulary
Representatives from STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths)
Careers
UK Power Networks
Dawn Lewis (**Department for Work and Pensions** School's Advisor)
Roxy Gladying (**New Anglia** Enterprise Coordinator)

Please do your best to attend any part of this evening and make the most of the opportunity to speak to all representatives.

Year 11 - Letter from The Colchester Sixth Form College Principal

September 2023

Dear Student/Parents/Carer

Open Evenings at The Sixth Form College Wednesday 18 and Thursday 19 October 2023

I am pleased to invite you and your son or daughter to the College Open Evenings that are being held on the above dates.

The Open Evening for prospective students and their parents/carers from Stour Valley Community School is on Wednesday 18 October. If this is not convenient, you are welcome to attend on the Thursday evening. The activities run from 6.15-9.00 PM and you can attend at any time during the evening.

The event gives you a chance to find out about the courses, opportunities and support available to students, alongside details of our application procedures. Students and parents/carers can tour the College, visit departments and talk to teaching staff and students. There will also be a number of presentations from senior staff. A map of the departments and facilities at the College will be available to visitors in reception.

I regret that, given the numbers expected to attend on these evenings, and the limited car parking space available on the college site IT IS NECESSARY TO ASK YOU TO USE ONE OF THE CAR PARKS IN THE TOWN. Please see overleaf for a map of the car parks near to the College. Visitors with mobility difficulties should contact the Admissions Office (01206 414005/414008) for advice on parking and access.

I very much hope that you and your son or daughter can join us for one of these evenings, as from past experience we find that the students who attend open evenings are able to make more informed choices. If you are unable to attend there will be a range of information available online to help guide your initial decision-making prior to your interview.

Yours sincerely

Ian MacNaughton – Principal



Important Letters & Notices

<https://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/news/letters-from-the-headteacher> - Letters from the Headteacher

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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