

# Parent Carer Bulletin

## *Autumn Term Dates*

**2 & 3 September**, Non-pupil Days  
**4 September**, Autumn Term commences  
**3 October**, Year 6 Open Evening and **early closure at 2pm**  
**28 October - 1 November**, Half Term  
**22 November**, Non-pupil Day  
**20 December**, last day of Autumn Term and **early closure at 12 noon**  
**23 December - 3 January**, Christmas Break

## *Events this Half Term*

**Monday 7 October**, Year 6 Open Week Tours 8:50am and 2pm  
**Tuesday 8 October**, Year 6 Open Week Tours 8:50am and 2pm  
**Tuesday 8 October**, 7EA English to Clare Library & Harris & Harris Bookshop, 1:40-3pm  
**Wednesday 9 October**, Year 6 Open Week Tours 8:50am and 2pm  
**Wednesday 9 October**, 7EC English to Clare Library & Harris & Harris Bookshop, 1:40-3pm  
**Friday 11 October**, Influenza School Based Immunisation Programme for Years 10-11, 9am-2pm  
**Friday 11 October**, 7EB English to Clare Library & Harris & Harris Bookshop, 1:40-3pm  
**Thursday 17 October**, Year 10/11 Art Trip to The Fitzwilliam Museum Cambridge, 8:30am-3pm  
**Tuesday 22 October**, 7EE English to Clare Library & Harris & Harris, 1:40-3pm Bookshop  
**Thursday 24 October**, Enhancement Day  
**Friday 25 October**, 7ED English to Clare Library & Harris & Harris Bookshop, 1:40-3pm  
**Friday 25 October**, Year 9 and GCSE Drama Footloose the Musical at The New Wolsey Theatre, 5:45-11pm  
**Friday 25 October**, final full school day before half term break

## *Dates for your diary week commencing 7 October:*

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## *SVCS Library - Black History Month*

The library has lots of new books to support Black History Month from Lit in Colour. We have novels, biographies and historical texts. There really is something for everyone! We have also taken delivery of our new desk chairs so we can now work or read in comfort. Our library refurbishment is gaining momentum.



## *Influenza School Based Immunisation Programme*

Vaccination UK will be with us again on Friday 11 October for the Year 10-11 Influenza immunisations. If you have given consent for your child to receive this, we advise they wear their short sleeve shirt under their blazer, bring a water bottle and snack(s), and have a substantial breakfast before school on this day.

Applicable to all year groups: please note that if you opted for the injection form (not the spray) your child will receive this on 11 October.

## *Food Technology Letter Reply Slips and Contributions*

We would like to kindly remind all students to return their Technology slips as soon as possible. It is vital that the department are aware of allergies and intolerances, even if students do not have any, the signed slip is required to be returned as soon as possible. Please may we also kindly remind that any contributions that have not yet been made, should be made via your ParentPay accounts, thank you for your support in this matter.

## *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.



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## **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 their information in EduLink One*

[studentabsence@stourvalley.org](mailto:studentabsence@stourvalley.org) - *Stour Valley Community School Attendance reporting email address*

[safe@stourvalley.org](mailto:safe@stourvalley.org) - *Stour Valley Community School Safeguarding email address*

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