

Parent/Carer Bulletin

Autumn Term Dates

Half Term

Monday 25 October - Friday 29 October 2021

Non-pupil Day

Friday 19 November 2021

Autumn Term ends

Friday 17 December 2021

Dates for your Diary Week Commencing 1 November

- Monday 1 November Students return following half term
- Monday 1 November School Nurse student drop-in service in G6, 1-2pm

Headteacher Update - COVID Measures

May we kindly request parents/carers read Headteacher, Mrs Kelly's email notification regarding additional COVID measures (distributed via email this

Christmas Break

Monday 20 December 2021 - Tuesday 4 January 2022

Spring Term starts

Wednesday 5 January 2022

Upcoming Events this November

Friday 22 October

Last full school day before half term

Monday 1 November

Students return following half term

Monday 1 November

School Nurse student drop-in service in G6, 1-2pm

Tuesday 9 November

Year 11 Photography Practical Mock Exam Day 1

Wednesday 10 November

Year 11 Photography Practical Mock Exam Day 2

Wednesday 17 November

Year 11 Art Practical Mock Exam Day 1

Thursday 18 November

Year 11 Art Practical Mock Exam Day 2

Thursday 18 November

School Nurse student drop-in service in G6, 1-2pm

Thursday 18 November

Rescheduled Hip Hop Workshop, 1:30-3pm (TBC)

Friday 19 November

Non-pupil Day

Monday 22 November

afternoon at 2:30pm), ready for our students return on Monday 1 November, thank you.

COVID Testing

Please would you ensure that you continue with twice-weekly testing and reporting the result; negative or positive to the Test Register portal. If your child does take a PCR test, please ensure you forward the email result to keady@stourvalley.org If your child is unwell, please do not send them into school. We are seeing an increase in colds and flu-like illnesses, the absence should be reported on 01787 326941.

COVID Vaccinations Ages 12-15

NHS England will soon be opening an additional offer for 12 to 15 year olds to get their COVID-19 vaccine out of school, such as through vaccination centres. Please see the attached letter from Suffolk County Council: http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/files/letters/SCC_Communication_regarding_vaccinations_for_12_to_15_year_olds.pdf

Year 11 Mock Exam Timetable

Please view the following Year 11 GCSE Mock Exam timetable for your information, this is also displayed to students via the daily Student Bulletin http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/news/item/year-11-gcse-mock-exam-timetable

Year 11 Mock Exam Support

Year 11 have all received the mock exam timetable and with this in mind here is some advice for supporting them through this time: https://charliewaller.org/media/mwvfpddi/parent-guide-gcses-08-2020.pdf

Food Technology - Equipment & Ingredients

Year 8 Food students are requested to remember additional ingredients to make their chosen bread for the assessment. Dates are as follows: 8.2 Monday 1 November (first day back) and 8.1 Friday 5 November.

Year 9 Food students are requested to remember additional ingredients for their chosen product (assessment) on Tuesday 2 November.

Year 10.3 GCSE Food students are requested to remember a large round take home container for the roasted vegetable quiche on Wednesday 3 November.

Year 11.3 GCSE Food students are requested to remember additional trial ingredients for Wednesday 3 November.

Year 11 GCSE Written Mock Exams commence

Thursday 25 November

Whole school Influenza immunisation session (all year groups), all day event (TBC)

Thank you - Mrs lannone

Food Technology - Take Home Containers

May we kindly request that any take home containers loaned to students are returned after the half term break, ready for re use during November and December, thank you.

Autumn Extra-curricular Activities

Please view the following link to see a complete list of extra-curricular activities at SVCS this Autumn:

http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/news/item/extracurricular-activities

School Nurse Drop-in Service

The next school nurse drop-in service will be available to our students during lunchtime on Monday 1 November in G6 (textiles room). The Nurse will also be with us on Thursday 18 November and Monday 6 December. We will update you with further session dates in the Spring Term.

Kooth Resources

Kooth is designed to support the wellbeing and resilience of young people and is available for 11-25 year olds in Suffolk. Kooth is running free online parent/carer information sessions - designed to help you understand how Kooth can support your child with their mental health and wellbeing, please view the following parent/carer information letter for further details:

http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/files/letters/Parent Carer Information Sessions - Sept to Dec 2021.docx.pdf

Discover everything Kooth has to offer including free online counselling support for young people:

http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/files/letters/September Back to school.pdf

2021/22 Post-16, College & Sixth Form Events

Suffolk One

Open Event - Wednesday 10 November, 5-8pm

http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/files/letters/Suffolk_One_Open_Events_1.pdf

Abbeygate Sixth Form College

Open event - Saturday 15 January 2022, 9am-2pm

http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/files/letters/Abbeygate_Open_

Events 1.pdf

West Suffolk College

Open Events - Saturday 6 November 9:30am-12:30pm and Thursday 25 November, 5:30-7:30pm

Thomas Gainsborough Sixth Form

Open Evening Event - Wednesday 10 November, 6-8pm http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/news/item/open-evening

This section will be updated regularly as we receive event information and dates from colleges and sixth forms.

Important Letters & Notices

http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/files/letters/SCC_Parental_communication_enhanced_control_measu_res_October_2021.pdf - Suffolk County Council Covid-19 enhanced control measures

http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/files/letters/GCSE_Technology_Letter_24.09.21.pdf - GCSE Technology_Letter_2021-22

http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/downloads/Sports_Clubs_are_Back_2021.pdf - Sports Clubs at SVCS

http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/Call_to_a_member_function_getElements_on_null/Key_Stage_3_Design_Technology_2021-2022.pdf - Key Stage 3 Design Technology_2021-22

http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/Call to a member function getElements on null/GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition 2021 2022.pdf - GCSE Food Preparation & Nutrition 2021-22

http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/Call to a member function getElements on null/Covid Contingency Plan 2021-22.pdf - Covid Contingency Plan 2021-22

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_quide.pdf - SIMS Parent App Guide





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