

Parent Carer Bulletin

Autumn Term Dates

Non-pupil days, 1 & 2 September

Autumn Term Starts, 3 September

Half Term, 27-31 October

Non-pupil Day, 21 November

Christmas Break, 22 December – 2 January 2026

Non-pupil Day, 5 January 2026

Events this October

Thursday 23 October, GCSE Drama trip to The Quay Theatre, 7:30-10:30pm

Thursday 23 - 25 October, GCSE History residential visit to the Netherlands

Friday 24 October, final full school day before Half Term

Dates for your diary week commencing 20 October:

- **Thursday 23 October** - GCSE Drama trip to The Quay Theatre, 7:30-10:30pm
- **Thursday 23 - 25 October** - GCSE History residential visit to the Netherlands
- **Friday 24 October** - final full school day before Half Term

SVCS Futures Updates

[FUTURES Autumn 1 Weeks 7-8 \(2\).pdf](#)

[FUTURES Autumn 2 Weeks 1-2 \(1\).pdf](#)

Poppy Appeal

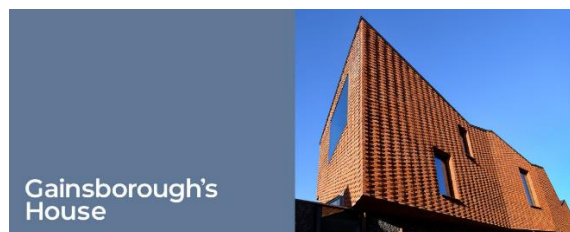
The Poppy Appeal donation box is available at reception. Your child is invited to make a donation in exchange for a poppy, wrist band, reflector etc. Thank you in advance for any support given to this appeal.

National Saturday Art Club

Thomas Gainsborough's House would like to provide the following information for our GCSE Art students:

National Saturday Art Club sessions run 10am-12pm and are led by a series of guest artists with workshops ranging from illustration to large scale collaborative installations. The Club includes trips to London and an opportunity to exhibit at Somerset House as part of the final exhibition. We also have sponsorship from Waitrose this year, so there will be high quality snacks provided!

Our first session is 25 October and you can find out more information about joining [here](#).



FSM Eligible Swimming



SPLASH YOUR WAY TO HAPPINESS
This half-term

27th – 31st October
*Subject to availability

Come along this October half-term and take part in our FREE swim offer.
*Free for those eligible for free school meals and other hardships

Available at:
Hadleigh Pool & Leisure
Kingfisher Leisure Centre

***Free for those eligible for free school meals or meet**
Suffolk County Council eligibility criteria
abbeycroft.org.uk/HAF



Abbeycroft
Let's Love Life

Football Club



SUDBURYS NEW BASKETBALL CLUB

SUDBURY SHARKS

Every Sat Cornard Sports Centre 1-2:30pm
8-12 year olds boys and girls £6 per player
BOOK YOUR PLACE AT
sudburysharksbasketball@gmail.com
Follow us on instagram
Sudbury Sharks Basketball



Important Notices

- **SVCS Uniform Donations**
We would be very grateful to receive any surplus or outgrown SVCS uniform that you would be happy to donate to the school. Donated items will be added to our Nearly New Stand in order to supply second hand uniform to students where needed.

- *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.*
- *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.

Important Letters and Information

- [Years 7-10 Uniform Changes 2025 1.pdf](#) - Years 7-10 Uniform changes letter
- [Vive Price List - SEPTEMBER 2025.pdf](#) - Vive Canteen Price Guide
- 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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