



**STOUR VALLEY**  
— COMMUNITY SCHOOL —

## Parent/Carer Bulletin

### **Spring Term Dates**

**Spring Term starts**

Wednesday 5 January 2022

**Half Term**

Monday 21 - Friday 25 February

**Spring Term ends**

Thursday 7 April

**Non-pupil Day**

Friday 8 April

**Easter Break**

Monday 11 April - Friday 22 April

### **Upcoming Events this January & February**

Sunday 30 January

### **Dates for your Diary Week Commencing 31 January 2022**

- Sunday 30 January - British Basketball Finals Event at Utilita Arena Birmingham, 7:45am-9pm *for applicable students*
- Monday 31 January - Year 11 group and individual photo session with *Kittle Photographic*, 9-11am
- Friday 4 February - Weekly School Nurse Drop-in for students in G6 (Textiles room) - lunchtime

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### **Absence Reporting**

We would like to kindly remind parents and carers that any student absences should be reported to the school by 8am on each day of absence via the absence line **01787 326941** or emailed to [keady@stourvalley.org](mailto:keady@stourvalley.org)

**If a student has a positive lateral flow test, this must be reported via the Test Register portal. Thank you.**

British Basketball Finals event at Utilita Arena Birmingham, 7:45am-9pm for applicable students

**Monday 31 January**

Year 11 group and individual photographs with Kittle Photographic, 9-11am (COVID secure)

**Monday 31 January**

Year 11 NCS assembly, 1:40-2pm

**Friday 4 February**

School Nurse Drop-in for students in G6, Lunchtime

**Friday 11 February**

Non-uniform day for Suffolk Mind

**Friday 11 February**

School Nurse Drop-in for students in G6, Lunchtime

**Friday 18 February**

School Nurse Drop-in for students in G6, Lunchtime



### **Year 11 Group & Individual Photos - Kittle Photographic**

On Monday 31 January 2022, *Kittle Photographic* will be with us for our Year 11 individual and group photo session. We kindly request that you ensure your child is smartly presented, as always, with their blazer and school tie. Students who are timetabled for PE on this day, are advised to attend in full school uniform, with their PE kit packed in a bag, ready to change into after the session. Thank you for your support in this matter.

### **Careers Advice for Parents/Carers**

There are a series of free upcoming events provided by 'INVESTIN' designed to support parents in supporting their children through choices about their future careers. You can access the upcoming events, as well as recordings of previous events here: [https://investin.org/pages/parent-events?mc\\_cid=9c80b43ed8&mc\\_eid=38436bb92a](https://investin.org/pages/parent-events?mc_cid=9c80b43ed8&mc_eid=38436bb92a)

### **Fundraising for Refuge**

56 miles in her shoes is a fundraiser for Refuge, a charity supporting victims of domestic abuse. Throughout February we will all be walking 56 miles. The Everyone's Invited Action Group is starting a range of fundraisers supporting a range of charities and this is the first. We would really appreciate your support to help those who are in need of services to support them survive and thrive.

If you would like to support us please follow this link to donate: <http://www.justgiving.com/team/stourvalleycommunityschool?invite=true>



## **Xello**

We wrote to you in November regarding our new careers platform, Xello, which will enable parents/carers to login to their child's career plan. An email was sent to you from Xello with your login details and the user guide can be found using the following link: [https://help.xello.co.uk/en-GB/Content/Get-Started/Xello-Families/GS\\_Families.htm](https://help.xello.co.uk/en-GB/Content/Get-Started/Xello-Families/GS_Families.htm)

If you do have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact [keady@stourvalley.org](mailto:keady@stourvalley.org)

<http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/news/item/creative-arts-club>

## **Written Exams Summer 2022**

16 May 2022 – 27 June 2022 The JCQ designated national exam contingency day for 2022 is 29 June 2022 and candidates must ensure that they are available to sit exams up to and including this date, should the need arise. Candidates and their parents/carers are advised not to book holidays to commence until after 29 June 2022.

## **School Nurse Drop-In Service Spring Term**

We are pleased to confirm that sessions resumed this afternoon, Friday 28 January, and will take place weekly every Friday in G6 (Textiles room) during lunchtime.

## **2022 Post-16, College & Sixth Form Events**

### **Suffolk One Sixth Form College**

Open Event - Tuesday 8 February, 5-8pm. Please visit the website for further details <https://www.suffolkone.ac.uk/information/dates-note/events/>:

# OPEN EVENTS

**one**  
Sixth Form College

VISIT US IN PERSON AND CHECK  
OUT ALL THAT'S ON OFFER.\*

TUESDAY

8

February 2022  
5pm-8pm

VISIT THE WEBSITE OR USE THE QR  
CODE BELOW TO REGISTER:



**SUFFOLKONE.AC.UK**

\*Unless COVID guidance changes.

**West Suffolk College**

Apprenticeships Information Evening - Wednesday 9 February:

# DISCOVER APPRENTICESHIPS INFORMATION EVENING

WED 9 FEB 2022

GATEWAY BUILDING AT  
WEST SUFFOLK COLLEGE



## GET INVOLVED AND FIND OUT MORE

[WSC.AC.UK/APPRENTICESHIPS](http://WSC.AC.UK/APPRENTICESHIPS)



West Suffolk College

Open Evening at West Suffolk College - Thursday 10 February, 5:30-7:30pm:



# OPEN DAYS

## AT WEST SUFFOLK COLLEGE

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THURSDAY  
**10**  
FEBRUARY 2022  
5.30PM - 7.30PM

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QR CODE BELOW TO REGISTER:



**WSC.AC.UK**

\*UNLESS COVID GUIDANCE CHANGES.



### Abbeygate Sixth Form College

The Open Event for Abbeygate is rescheduled to Saturday 19 March, 9am-2pm following postponement of Saturday 15 January

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

### Year 11 NCS Assembly

We are pleased to confirm that NCS (National Citizen Service) have scheduled an assembly with our Year 11 students on Monday 31 January 2022 during afternoon tutor time, 1:40-2pm <https://wearencs.com/>

## Important Letters & Notices

<http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/news/item/half-term-art-club> - Half Term Art Club

<http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/news/item/creative-arts-club> - Creative Arts Extra-curricular Activities this term!

<http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/downloads/news/VaccinationTaxi1215yrs.pdf> - Vaccination Taxis for 12-15 year olds

<http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/news/item/covid-19-vaccinations-options-2> - Covid-19 vaccination options

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/open-letters-arrangements-for-gcses-as-and-a-levels-in-2022/letter-to-students> - Letter written by Jo Saxton Ofqual's Chief Regulator regarding GCSE Examinations 2022

[http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/files/letters/SCC\\_Communication\\_regarding\\_vaccinations\\_for\\_12\\_to\\_15\\_year\\_olds.pdf](http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/files/letters/SCC_Communication_regarding_vaccinations_for_12_to_15_year_olds.pdf) - Suffolk County Council Covid-19 vaccinations ages 12-15

[safe@stourvalley.org](mailto: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\\_guide.pdf](http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/Call_to_a_member_function_getElements_on_null/sims_parent_app_guide.pdf) - SIMS Parent App Guide



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