

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

Dates for your Diary Week Commencing 14 March 2022

- Monday 14 March - Year 7 & 8 Technology rotation
- Friday 18 March - Non-uniform day for Comic Relief and Suffolk Mind (rescheduled event)
- Friday 18 March - School Nurse drop-in for students in G6, lunchtime

A Huge Thank you

We would like to say how very grateful we are to one of our parents, Alison Golding, who has been doing some amazing work to raise funds for the

Easter Break

Monday 11 April - Friday 22 April

Upcoming Events this March

MARCH

Year 9 Options Assembly (*date TBC*)

Friday 18 March

Rescheduled non-uniform day for charities Suffolk Mind and Comic Relief

Friday 18 March

School Nurse Drop-in for students in G6 (textiles room), lunchtime

Friday 25 March

School Nurse Drop-in for students in G6 (textiles room), lunchtime

Monday 28 March

Immigration Nation Day, Year 9 off timetable, all day event

Wednesday 30 March

Year 9 Meningitis ACWY, Diphtheria, Tetanus & Polio vaccination session with Vaccination UK in the Library, 8:30am-3pm (*consent forms are to be distributed shortly*)

school. Alison organised a super 80's night last weekend, and also arranged a Medium Evening earlier this year. Mrs Kelly was delighted to accept the cheque for £2243.20 presented to us from Alison and her daughters this week.



Alison has lots of great ideas, and is currently collecting anything red, white or blue for a stall she is running at the Jubilee Party In The Park with proceeds kindly being donated to the school again.

If you have anything you would like to donate for this, please could you kindly drop them off to the school reception (attached is a photo of the items collected so far).



PTA

Getting the community spirit back again after the pandemic, as the 80's night proved, is extremely important during these difficult times, therefore we are looking for volunteers to help set up a PTA group, and to run a few more events throughout the year.

If you are interested, could you please email Sarah Kemp, skemp@stourvalley.org in the first instance who will collate your name/contact details so we can look at doing this. We have recently had several parents who have expressed an interest, but we would like to welcome as many as possible.

Thank you.

Rescheduled Non-uniform Day

There will be a non-uniform day (re-arranged after Storm Eunice) on Friday 18 March to raise money for Comic Relief and Suffolk Mind. A £1 donation is suggested for students to wear their own clothes. Please note clothing should be appropriate for lessons and the usual policies for make-up/jewellery will still apply.

Year 7 & 8 Technology Rotation - Monday 14 March

Year 7

RM to Food

Food to Textiles

Textiles to RM

Year 8

RM to Food

Food to Graphics

Graphics to RM

Dance Club Update

Dance Club has been moved to Thursdays and is recommencing this week, Thursday 17 March, 3-4pm in the Activity Studio

Year 8 HPV Vaccinations

The NHS Immunisation Team were with us on Tuesday 8 March this week for the HPV vaccination session for Year 8 and 9 students. Due to an unforeseen delay, the nurses were only able to vaccinate a small number of the Year 8 students, before ending the session to allow students to depart on time at 3pm. We are pleased to reassure you that they will be returning for these students at a catch-up session in the near future. Once we receive the date, we will contact you to confirm. Thank you for your patience in this matter.

Should you have any enquiries in the meantime, please contact the team in the first instance, tel: 0300 555 5055 or email: Hct.csaissuffolk@nhs.net

Psychology Revision

Year 11 Psychology revision sessions will now run P6 every Wednesday and Thursday for any student who wishes to attend.

Immigration Nation Day

Year 9 will go off timetable on **Monday 28 March** for 1 day and take part in a series of workshops about the issues surrounding immigration.

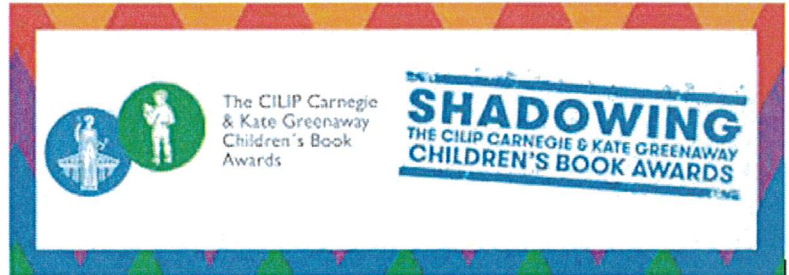
5 speakers will be in school; 2 having been immigrants themselves, another having visited the camps in Calais and 2 actors completing workshops on post WW2 immigration to Britain.

The workshops will all take part within normal school hours so normal food and transport arrangements apply. However, Year 9 will not be required to wear school uniform for the day but to wear simple, comfortable and practical clothes for the workshops.

We look forward to a great day! - *The History Team*

SVCS Carnegie Reading Group

SVCS Carnegie Reading Group 2022



If you are an avid reader and you would like to take part in the annual Carnegie Award Shadowing group please attend a short lunchtime meeting on

Wednesday March 16th in U5 at 1:00.

Ask your English teacher for more details !

Suffolk County Council - St Giles Trust



St Giles Trust SOS + Programme Gangs and County Lines Parent and Carer Webinars | For information | All schools

Our Gangs & County Lines Parents' Session consists of speakers utilising their lived experience within the criminal justice system to unpack and explore the realities and consequences of county lines drug smuggling, gang involvement, criminal exploitation and serious youth violence. Perspectives from previous perpetrators and runners/transporters, combined with relevant case studies, aid audiences in gaining an authentic and credible understanding of this complex and cross cutting issue. The session will allow parents to identify signs and triggers that a young person might be involved in a county line and know how to appropriate respond.

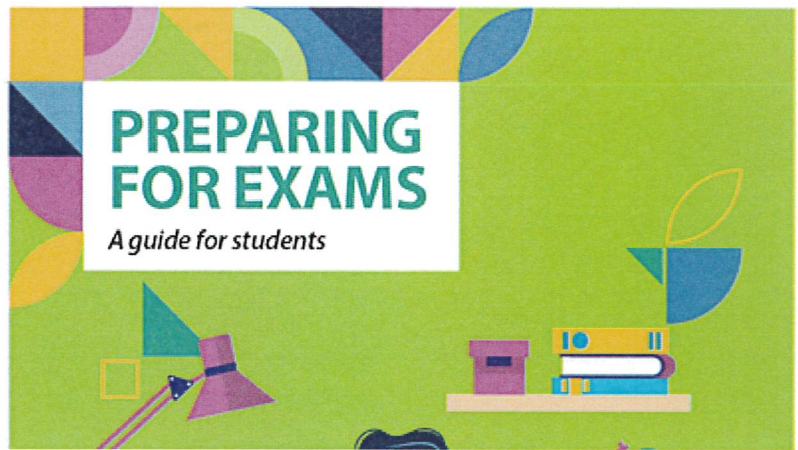
West Suffolk Parent/Carer Session 6.30pm – 8pm 23rd March [Webinar Registration - Zoom](#)

Ipswich and East Suffolk Parent / Carer Session 6.30pm – 8pm 30th March [Webinar Registration - Zoom](#)

For full details click the link in the article title.

Year 11 Exam Guide from OCR

http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/downloads/649960-preparing-for-exams_1_1_1.pdf



Important Letters & Notices

<https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2022/02/07/how-we-are-helping-students-prepare-for-exams-this-summer-advance-information/> - Year 11 GCSE Exams Education Hub post

<http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/news/item/all-stars-cricket> - All Stars Cricket at Cavendish Cricket Club

<http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/news/item/dynamos-cricket> - Dynamos Cricket at Cavendish Cricket Club

<http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/news/item/free-movie-trailer-music-video-workshop> - Sudbury West Suffolk College, free movie trailer & music video workshop for students 9-16 yrs

<http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/news/item/modest-management> - Open auditions for singers 15-19yrs with Model Management

<http://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/news/item/creative-arts-club> - Creative Arts Clubs at SVCS

<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

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%20to%20a%20member%20function_getElements_on_null/sims_parent_app_guide.pdf) - SIMS Parent App Guide



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