



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 21 March 2022

- Thursday 24 March - Period 6 Dance Club resumes, 3-4pm
- Friday 25 March - School Nurse drop-in for students in G6, lunchtime

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.

Easter Break

Monday 11 April - Friday 22 April

Upcoming Events this March

Thursday 24 March

Period 6 Dance Club resumes, 3-4pm

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 (e-link consent/non-consent form distributed via email on 17/03/22)

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.

Year 9 Options

The students had an assembly on Thursday where the online options process was explained to them. They should have received an activation email, please follow the below instructions:

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

The options choices must be approved by a parent/carer via the SIMS Parent app before they are submitted and the deadline for submission is **Monday 25 April by 3pm**. Each student will have an interview in school and the list of interview dates/times has been displayed in the Heartspace, in the hall and in the English corridor. Students should ensure they arrive for their appointment at the correct time. If you do have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me - keady@stourvalley.org - K Eady

Meningitis ACWY & Diphtheria, Tetanus and Polio Vaccinations

The following email was distributed to Year 9 parents/carers on Thursday 17 March along with the relevant attachment:

We write to advise you that your child is due the Meningitis ACWY & Diphtheria, Tetanus and Polio booster vaccinations in Year 9.

This is an in-school vaccination programme to be held on Wednesday 30 March.

Please find attached a letter from the immunisation team with a link to the portal/e-consent or e-non-consent, which requires your completion before midnight on Monday 28 March. The letter also contains relevant information regarding this vaccination session.

*Should you have any enquiries, please contact **Vaccination***

UK Haverhill team on: 01440 782091.

Year 11 Maths Revision Guides

If you have purchased GCSE Maths guides or workbooks for your Year 11 child, we are pleased to confirm that orders are now available for collection at reception. Please advise your child to visit and collect, thank you.

Dance Club Update

We are pleased to confirm that Period 6 Dance Club will restart next week, Thursday 24 March.

Psychology Revision

Period 6 Year 11 Psychology revision sessions will be starting up again next week with all welcome! Wednesdays and Thursdays until Easter, then Wednesdays only after Easter.

Immigration Nation Day

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

Five speakers will be in school; two having been immigrants themselves, another having visited the camps in Calais and two 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*

Water Bottles for The School Day

As we look forward to the prospect of warmer weather in spring, we would like to request your support in ensuring your child has their water bottle for school each day. They can refill at our water stations during break/lunch and lesson changeover - thank you.

Fundraising Event for Ukraine

YOUTH CONCERT

FOR UKRAINE

Friday 1 April, 6 pm at Clare Parish Church

All donations to the
DEC Ukraine appeal



STARRING PERFORMERS FROM
CLARE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL
STOKE COLLEGE
STOUR VALLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOL
AND OTHER LOCAL SCHOOLS

Free entry and refreshments
Contact: ukraine@claremusic.org

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%20getElements%20on%20null/sims_parent_app_guide.pdf) - SIMS Parent App Guide