



Parent/Carer Bulletin



STOUR VALLEY
COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Spring & Summer Term Dates

Easter Break

3 - 14 April 2023

Summer Term Starts

17 April 2023

Half Term

29 May - 2 June 2023

Summer Term Ends

19 July 2023

Summer Break

20 July 2023

Upcoming Events this April

Monday 17 April

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Dates for your diary week commencing 17 April:

- **Monday 17 April - students return for Summer Term**
- **Monday 17 April - Year 8 HPV immunisation session (2nd dose) with Vaccination UK , 9:30am-1pm**
- **Wednesday 19 April - Year 7 Thriftwood Parent/Carer Information Evening, 6-7pm**
- **Thursday 20 April - Year 6 Interview Evening, 4-6pm**
- **Thursday 20 April - School Nurse Student Drop-in session in U13 (wellbeing room), lunchtime**

Governor Vacancies

Governors are a team of volunteers who oversee the management of the school by supportively challenging the Headteacher and staff. We do this by visiting the school, speaking to staff, students and parents/carers, and meeting formally with the senior management team on a regular basis.

The core aims of governance are:

- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction
- Holding executive leaders to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils, and the effective and

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efficient performance management of staff

- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent

No experience is required – just a healthy curiosity and a willingness to ask questions in order to ensure our students and staff maximise their potential. You don't need to be a teacher or know about education; in fact, you probably have many skills from your own life and work which would be invaluable.

The amount of time you would need to commit depends on your willingness to get involved, but there would be a minimum expectation of attendance at three Local Governing Body meetings per year and also arranging to visit the school once per term to carry out monitoring activities.

We currently have vacancies for two school governors so, if you would like to join the team of people responsible for oversight of many aspects of the school, or would like to find out more about what it means to be a governor, please contact Nick Vosper, Chair of Governors at SVCS: governors@stourvalley.org

Year 7 & 8 Excellence Rewarded

On Thursday this week, we celebrated our Year 7 and 8 students who have shown continued excellence in school this term. They were rewarded with Easter chocolate and a film. Well done!



Gratitude for Green Day

We would like to say a huge thank you to the school community for all the support for Green Day. We will let parents/carers know in due course what projects we are undertaking with the funds raised!

Year 9 Arts Rotation

The Year 9 Arts subjects will rotate from Monday 17 April. The students will receive a new timetable when they return to school after Easter.

Year 7 Thriftwood Reminder

We would like to remind you that the Year 7 Thriftwood Parent/Carer Information Evening is on Wednesday 19 April from 6-7pm. We would also like to kindly remind you, if you have not already done so, to make your trip payment via ParentPay, thank you.

Year 11 English Language & Literature Revision

A reminder that Year 11 English Language and Literature revision sessions are taking place every Tuesday in the English Department. Please see the timetable below:

Date	Topic	Staff
28.03.23	A Christmas Carol	IGI
18.04.23	Poetry Anthology (Power)	NSP
25.04.23	Poetry Anthology (Conflict)	KHI
2.05.23	Unseen Poetry	IGI
9.05.23	An Inspector Calls	SWO
16.05.23	Last minute Literature Paper 1 Revision	IGI
23.05.23	Last Minute Literature Paper 2 Revision	IGI
6.06.23	Last minute Language Paper 2 revision	SWO

Healthcare - Asthma Plans

Please may we kindly request, if you have not yet done so, that a copy of your child's current healthcare *Asthma Plan* is provided to the front office, (*Asthma Plans* are typically reviewed by a GP on an annual basis). Thank you for your support in this matter.

Activities this Easter Break

Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils have put together provision of free holiday activities and food to eligible children over the Easter school Holidays. The Holiday Activities Fund Programme (HAF) is funded for the next two years and provides enriching activities to children and young people, particularly those who receive benefit related free school meals, are pupil premium, or have an identified need. The holiday clubs can involve helping young people experience new and enriching activities from sport to music, dance, drama, art, cooking and gardening, as well as improving socialisation, helping young people to have fun with friends during the holidays. The programme runs over the summer, Christmas and Easter Holidays: <https://sway.office.com/fvS8xvpnlLaeEgMW?ref=email>

Current Year 10 - Long Road Open Evenings

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ATTENTION
YEAR 10s

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To ensure our event is safe and enjoyable for everyone we are asking you to **book 1 ticket per person** for our Open Evening.

With staggered arrival times in place, simply select your preferred date and time slot and book your required number of tickets!

If you have any questions, please contact us via email at

hello@longroad.ac.uk

We can't wait to meet you at our Open Evenings!

Best wishes,

Long Road



Fare Increase Notice from Hedingham Chambers

Like many other commercial businesses, we are having to increase our fares from Saturday 1st April 2023 because of rising costs.

Until 30 June 2023 we will continue to participate in the government's £2 single ticket cap scheme, this does not apply to services which operate on school days-only though.

- Many single and return tickets will increase by 10p and 50p.
- Many weekly tickets will increase by about £1.50 to £3.

The best value tickets still remain on our app, where most zonal tickets are discounted as we wish to encourage more people to use the app when they travel, thus helping to speed up boarding and providing you with a better service.

Please visit our News webpage for more information:

<https://www.hedinghamandchambers.co.uk/fares>

Letters & Notices

https://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/downloads/Amended_Spring_Term_Clubs_20.02.23.pdf - *Spring Term Extra-curricular activities*

<https://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/news/letters-from-the-headteacher> - *Letters from the Headteacher*

studentabsence@stourvalley.org - *Stour Valley Community School Attendance reporting email address*

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