

Parent Carer Bulletin

Spring Term Dates

17 February - 21 February, Half Term

7 April - 21 April, Easter Break 2025

Events this Half Term

Wednesday 15 January, Year 9 Madrid Trip Information Evening, 6-7pm

Thursday 23 January, Year 11 Parents and Carers Evening, 4-7pm

Thursday 30 January, Year 11 Group and Individual Photograph session with Kittle Photographic, 8:30am-10:50am

Thursday 6 February, Year 8 Parents and Carers Evening, 4-7pm

Monday 10 February, Full Rehearsal for Aladdin, all day

Tuesday 11 February, Full Technical Rehearsal for Aladdin, 3-8pm

Wednesday 12 February, Aladdin School Show (1st showing), 7-9pm

Thursday 13 February, Aladdin School Show (2nd showing), 7-9pm

Friday 14 February, Aladdin School Show (3rd showing), 7-9pm

Friday 14 February, final full school day before the Half Term break

Monday 24 February, students return from the Half Term break

Thursday 27 February, Enhancement Day, all day

Dates for your diary week commencing 13 January:

Wednesday 15 January - Year 9 Madrid Trip Information Evening, 6-7pm

Year 7 Thriftwood 2025

To those of you who have signed up for your child to attend the Year 7 Thriftwood Summer Camp, we are pleased to confirm that plans are in progress and the staff are very much looking forward to it. We would like to take this opportunity to remind you to make the payments for the visit. Please note that the deadline for final payments is Friday 25 April. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Year 11 History Booster Sessions

Year 11 Booster sessions for GCSE History will be in H1 and H2 every Monday between 3-4pm. Should your child have another subject session that day or travel arrangements are difficult, they can come to H2 at lunchtime every Monday for their session but this will be shorter.

New Fares from Hedingham & Chambers

The below message has been provided by Go East Anglia:

From 1 January the Government's single fare cap will increase from £2 to £3, and we will be participating in the scheme.

We are also taking the opportunity to simplify our fares and tickets to make travelling across our network easier.

A new ticket category will be the Young Person 5-19, which will replace the 16-19 and Child categories. This will give 25% off the Adult fare on single, return and weekly tickets.

Monthly 30 day tickets are exclusively available on the Hedingham & Chambers app, anyone buying these from January will need to verify their age through the App which can take 2-3 days.

We will continue to offer Student Termly tickets on our app.

School day-only routes 16B, 19, 95A, 115, 118, 707, 716, 757, 901, 902, 903 and 907 will be excluded from the single cap scheme; it will be possible to buy 5-19 single and return tickets on these routes.

More information is available on our webpage:

https://www.hedinghamandchambers.co.uk/fares-and-tickets

Spring Term Reading Recommendations

Year 7: I Am Malala- Spring 1 **SVCS English Department Recommends...**



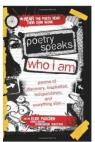


Year 8: Crime and Supernatural Poetry-Spring 1 SVCS English Department Recommends...







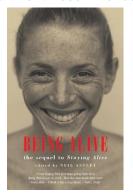




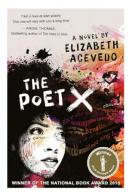






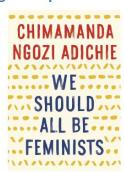


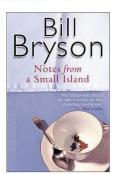


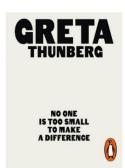


Year 10: Language Paper 2 (Non-Fiction)- Spring 1 STOUR VALLEY SVCS English Department Recommends...









Food Technology - Take Home Containers

Should you have any confectionary containers that are empty after the Christmas break, we would love to receive these as donations to re-use as take home containers for students, thank you.

Langevity

Exciting opportunity for all language-lovers in Years 10 & 11! Free weekly Langevity webinars.

Ancient Egyptian, anyone? How about Russian or Japanese?

There are 7 languages on offer and there is even a residential event in April.

Please see the poster below if you are interested.

Why not sign up?



Ride for Helen 2025





Important Notices

- 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

- https://stourvalley.org/downloads/Vive_Price_List November_2024.pdf Free School Meal and Meal Deal guidance
- https://support.overnetdata.com/knowledge-base/how-do-parents-update-their-information-in-edulink-one/ How do parents/carers view and update information in EduLink One
- <u>studentabsence@stourvalley.org</u> Stour Valley Community School Attendance reporting email address
- safe@stourvalley.org Stour Valley Community School Safeguarding email address

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