

# Parent Carer Bulletin

## Spring Term Dates

**17 February - 21 February**, Half Term

**7 April - 21 April**, Easter Break 2025

## Events this Half Term

**Thursday 6 March**, World Book Day 2025

**Monday 10 March**, Year 9 Meningococcal ACWY/DTP vaccination session, morning session

**Wednesday 12 March**, Year 8 English Reward Trip

**Thursday 13 March**, Year 9 Options Evening, 5:30-7pm

**Tuesday 18 March**, Year 9 Suez Trip, 9am-2pm

**Monday 24 March**, Meet the SENDCO

**Tuesday 25 March**, Meet the SENDCO

**Tuesday 25 March**, Year 10 Speakers Trust Workshop

**Wednesday 26 March**, Meet the SENDCO

**Thursday 27 March**, Meet the SENDCO

**Friday 28 March**, Meet the SENDCO

**Monday 31 March**, Rewards Assembly week

**Friday 4 April**, Italy Ski Trip 2025 departure

**Friday 4 April**, final full school day before the Easter break

## *Dates for your diary week commencing 3 March:*

- **Thursday 6 March - World Book Day 2025**

## *CEC Green Fingers*

On Tuesday some of our CEC students went to help volunteers at Clare Community Orchard. They joined in with ground works and learned how to prune the fruit trees and make dead hedging. They worked hard and are keen to return! We now have an Instagram page to share all our environmental adventures and ideas.



## *Language Examination Commendation*

Special congratulations go to Miah Kuhnell and Alex Hind of Year 10 who received a distinction in their Spoken Language exam with Ms Stokes.

Miah did a wonderful exploration of Guadeloupean culture and Alex gave us a very well thought out examination of Fashion culture and its effects on society.

Excellent job - so proud of you both!

## *Hedingham Chambers Branding Update*

[Schools announcement - SVS.pdf](#)

## *Year 7 Thriftwood Attendees*

We would like to kindly remind Year 7 parents and carers to make the ongoing payments for Thriftwood Summer Camp via ParentPay. Thank you for your continued support.

## **Y**EAR 8 AND 9 PARENTS

In the English Department we have managed to secure a prestigious theatre company to come to the school to complete a two-hour workshop with our students.

Year 8 will be working on 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' and Year 9 on 'Romeo and Juliet'. Please see information regarding the workshops below as well as about the theatre company.

In order for this to go ahead we are asking for a £8 donation for each student, which needs to be paid by Wednesday 12 March. If there are any issues concerning this payment, then please contact Mrs Higgins via email: [khiggins@stourvalley.org](mailto:khiggins@stourvalley.org).



**Sky Blue's Shakespeare Rewired® workshops have been performed across the country at over 300 schools to over 50,000 delighted students.**

Secondary School Shakespeare Rewired (KS3)

**Our Shakespeare Rewired® workshop facilitators are all professional, classically trained actors with years of experience in both education and stage performance. Using skills they have acquired working for companies such as The Royal Shakespeare Company, The National Theatre, The Globe and The Reduced Shakespeare Company our talented facilitators guide your students carefully through one of Shakespeare's stories.**

**The two hour workshops include a performance of the story with student volunteers and an in-depth look at key scenes with a chance for students to re-direct our actors and evaluate the outcome. There may also be a chance to hot seat characters during the 'Jeremy Vile show'.**

- Includes a costumed telling of the story using student volunteers to play the roles
- Followed by a focus on key scenes as laid out to the left

**Example: Romeo & Juliet YEAR 9**

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- In depth look at Sampson & Gregory in Act I Sc. I
  - Hot-seat family members from Act III Sc. V
  - Make both good and bad decisions when re-staging Act V Sc.III

### *Data Collection Sheets*

Over the course of the beginning of Spring Term, students have been provided data collection sheets to return home to parents and carers for completion. These sheets help us ensure that data relevant to your child, contact information, transport details etc. are accurate. We would like to thank you for all completed sheets that have been returned.

If you are yet to complete the sheet for your child(ren), may we kindly remind you to do so at your earliest convenience. Students should post completed forms at reception via the collection box for our Data Manager.

St Margaret's Church Stradishall

## Scary Suffolk Stories

A gorgeous evening of gripping and grown up stories, told by  
CB Jackson, Storyteller

Stories to chill you, mulled wine to warm you, soft drinks available

Saturday  
22nd March  
at 6.30pm



Tickets £10 on the door, cash please. Under 16's free, not suitable for under 9's!

07708899579  
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## Important Notices

- **SVCS Uniform Donations**  
*We would be very grateful to receive any surplus or outgrown SVCS uniform that you would be happy to donate to the school. Donated items will be added to our Nearly New Stand in order to supply second hand uniform to students where needed.*
- *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](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
- [studentabsence@stourvalley.org](mailto:studentabsence@stourvalley.org) - Stour Valley Community School Attendance reporting email address
- [safe@stourvalley.org](mailto:safe@stourvalley.org) - Stour Valley Community School Safeguarding email address

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