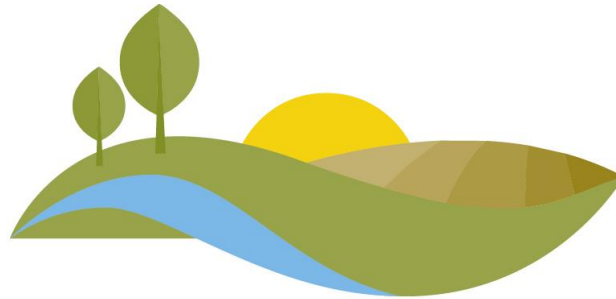




Parent/Carer Bulletin



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

Dates for your diary week commencing 6 March:

- **Tuesday 7 March - Year 8 A Midsummer Night's Dream with West End Schools, (Year 8 off timetable all day)**
- **Wednesday 8 March - Year 9 PSHE Event, (Year 9 off timetable all day)**
- **Wednesday 8 March - Green School Award Ceremony, Ipswich (selected students), 12-5:30pm**
- **Thursday 9 March - Year 9 Options Evening, 6-8pm**
- **Thursday 9 March - School nurse student drop in session in u13 (wellbeing room), lunchtime**

Safeguarding Response to Harley's Tragic Death

We are all so proud with how the students came into school to support each other that week. They dealt with a range of emotions in a mature and dignified way. The school nurses who came in to provide extra support that week told just how fantastic our students had been, and what they described as the level of maturity and ability to articulate their feelings shown by the students they saw, which included a lot of the most affected Year 11 boys. Harley's funeral took place over half term, as I am sure you will have seen on the local news.

Upcoming Events

this March

Tuesday 7

March

Year 8 A
Midsummer
Night's Dream
with West End
Schools, (Year 8
off timetable all
day)

On Wednesday 29 March St Giles Trust will be coming into school to run sessions on knife crime with all year groups throughout the day. This is as a safeguarding response to the awful events of that day. We felt that we needed to leave some time and space before these sessions were run.

St Giles have been running as a charity for 60 years, working with a quarter of a million children, young people and adults to live safe, and positive lives. They specialise in uniquely employing, developing and professionalising incredibly passionate and dedicated people with first hand experiences of the issues the clients they work with face, and this is what makes the support they provide so effective.

Wednesday 8

March

Year 9 PSHE
Event, (Year 9 off
timetable all day)

The mission of SOS+ is to prevent children and young people becoming involved in gangs and youth violence by equipping them with tools, knowledge and support delivered by experts with lived experience <https://www.stgilestrust.org.uk/sos/>

The Team is working collaboratively with Suffolk Police School Liaison Officers and the One Cop Stop programme as well as Jane Stannard RSHE Schools Engagement Coordinator.

Wednesday 8

March

Green School
Award Ceremony,
Ipswich (selected
students), 12-
5:30pm

CEC Graffle

The Climate Emergency Committee are looking for donations to the Graffle on Green Day (Friday 24 March). We would love anything green in colour or in environmentally friendliness! Please drop in items at the front office c/o S Kemp. On Green Day, students should attend school in non-school uniform and bring in £1. There will be prizes for most green/best green/ most entertaining outfit, but please do not go and buy new clothes just for the day. As well as a Graffle, we will be selling lots of wonderful cakes in the biggest cake sale ever, for which we will also gratefully receive any donations on the day. All monies raised will go towards a polytunnel and tools for the allotment. We have longer term plans for rainwater capturing off the school roof and a wild flower border. Thank you from the CEC and Ms Chappell. Any questions please contact kchappell@stourvalley.org

Thursday 9

March

Year 9 Options
Evening, 6-8pm

PS The CEC has been recognised for the effort and change they are making - we have recently been shortlisted for the Green School Award. Watch this space for more!

Thursday 9

March

School nurse
student drop in
session in u13
(wellbeing room),
lunchtime

Year 8 - A Midsummer Night's Dream

Please can Year 8 parents/carers ensure that the payment of £6 is made for the Year 8 Shakespeare Activity for Tuesday 7 March. Payments should be made via ParentPay. If there is any difficulty with this payment, please contact Mrs Higgins direct at: khiggins@stourvalley.org

Tuesday 14

March

Year 9 Meningitis
D/T/P
immunisation
session with
Vaccination UK,
morning session

Wednesday 15

March

NEU teacher
strike - *school
closed to
students*

Thursday 16

March

NEU teacher
strike - *school
closed to
students*

Monday 20

March

Student Life visit
with Year 10
Mental Health
Ambassadors,
12pm start

Thursday 23

March

School nurse
student drop in
session in u13
(wellbeing room),
lunchtime

Friday 24

Student Information

You will no longer be able to update personal details via Operoo. Please email any changes/updates to: keady@stourvalley.org

Once our new system goes live, we will send your login details.

Clare Swimming Club



Clare Swimming Club @ SVCS



... for 2023!

If you've enjoyed visiting the pool at Stour Valley Community School in the summer holidays, then you'll have seen what a great local facility it is. We now need your help to keep it open in 2023.

A new committee is needed to organise running the pool this year. So please get in touch if you have some spare time and can get involved in this rewarding community activity.

If you are interested in helping Clare Swimming Club, then please email: clareswimmingclub@gmail.com

Woodhall Primary & Unity Schools Partnership

Please view the following letter regarding a Woodhall Primary School Consultation regarding significant changes:

https://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/files/letters/Unity_School_Partnership.pdf

March

Green Day 2023

Wednesday 29

March

St Giles Trust

knife crime

sessions for all

Year groups, all

day event

Thursday 30

March

School nurse

student drop in

session in u13

(wellbeing room),

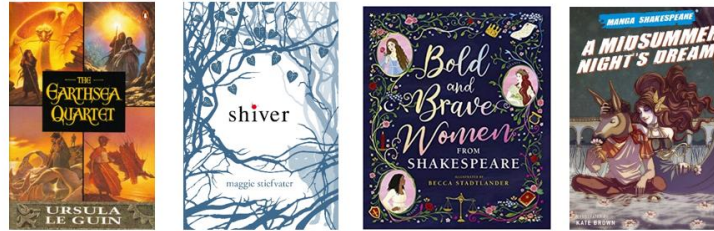
lunchtime

Reading Recommendations

Year 7: I Am Malala Unit
SVCS English Department Recommends...



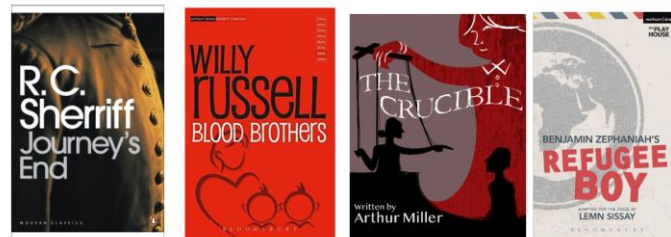
Year 8: A Midsummer Night's Dream- Spring 2
SVCS English Department Recommends...



Year 9: Pioneers- Spring 2
SVCS English Department Recommends...



Year 10: An Inspector Calls- Spring 2
SVCS English Department Recommends...



Period 6 Psychology

Please note that Period 6 Psychology will not be running next Wednesday 8 March.

Tackling Online Radicalisation and Extremism Conference

Event: Suffolk: Tackling Online Radicalisation and Extremism Conference

Location: Trinity Park Conference and Events Centre, Trinity Park, Ipswich IP3 8UH

When: Tuesday 28 March 2023, 10:00 – 14:00

Booking: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/522513360527> (free)

About this event:

The internet has opened up many new opportunities in communication, entertainment and knowledge. But it's also given extremists the means to target, connect and communicate with people vulnerable to radicalisation.

At this conference, we aim to:

- Increase your knowledge on online radicalisation and extremism: focusing on Mixed Unclear Ideologies and Far Right extremism
- Develop key media literacy skills and strategies, including how to combat disinformation, conspiracy theories and online gaming effectively;
- Provide you with guidance and practical skills to navigate the online world and safeguard young people from radicalisation and extremism

Attendees will benefit from an agenda of plenary presentations focused on relatable themes delivered by leading experts and media literacy practitioners. The programme will showcase many examples of best practices and ample opportunities for interactive discussion and networking amongst fellow professionals and peers.

Who is invited:

We are looking to invite members from the community who are frontline workers, including professionals, parents and carers, charities, the voluntary sector and including the following:

- Teachers
- Social Care
- Early Help Hubs/Teams
- Police
- Voluntary Sector
- Charity and 3rd sector
- Health
- Frontline Youth Workers
- Parents/ carers/ foster carers

***About the organiser:**

Shout Out UK (SOUK) is a multi-award-winning education platform and a creative social enterprise. We fuse education and tech with film production and animation to create world-class programmes on Media & Political Literacy and high-impact Democratic Engagement campaigns. We are on a mission to protect and amplify democracy by ensuring that political literacy education is as wide as possible and available to all citizens in and out of school, regardless of their socioeconomic background, ethnicity, or gender

New Dance & Drama Clubs

Dance Club began on Monday 27 February and is open to all students, of all abilities. Students will need to wear PE kit. Please note the later finish time of 4:30pm for Dance Club. Drama Club will start on Wednesday 8 March, and is open to Year 7, 8 and 9 this term.

Any enquiries about either club can be sent to Miss Duffy direct at: dduffy@stourvalley.org

Clare Fashion Show



The poster for the Clare Fashion Show features a row of colorful fashion sketches at the top. The main text is centered on a pink background. It includes the event title, date, location, and ticket information. A green box highlights a 60% discount on items. At the bottom, it lists participating brands and contact information.

CLARE FASHION SHOW
Enjoy an evening of fashion and fun!
FOR LADIES OF ALL AGES (FROM LATE TEENS TO THEIR GRANS!)

FRIDAY 3 MARCH 2023
AT
CLARE TOWN HALL
DOORS OPEN 7PM - SHOW STARTS 7.30PM
TICKETS £8 (includes a welcome drink)

Available from the School Office, ParentPay, Mrs Sibley, Mrs McIvor,
The Swan Inn, Harris & Harris Books and Talking Heads in Clare
★ SHOPPING ★ BAR (CASH PAYMENTS ONLY) ★

ALL ITEMS UP TO 60% OFF RRP
With even greater discounts on selected lines!
Clothes are simply surplus stock and are always in season.
Sizes from 8 to 20 (with some 4-6's and 22-24).

LOTS OF TOP QUALITY HIGH STREET BRANDS INCLUDING:
TOPSHOP DOROTHY PERKINS RIVER ISLAND Debenhams
M&S wallis next ZARA NEW LOOK
WhiteStuff, Principles, Monsoon and many more.

Event brought to you by travelling trends.co.uk and Clare Community Primary School
For more information call 01787 277423 or email jsibley@clareprimary.org
All profits go towards the children of Clare Community Primary School

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**

https://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/files/letters/PST_Parent_Carer_Workshop_Schedule_Jan_-_Feb_2023.pdf - **NHS parent/carer workshops Jan-March 2023**

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

safe@stourvalley.org - **Stour Valley Community School Safeguarding email address**