



Parent/Carer Bulletin



STOUR VALLEY
— COMMUNITY SCHOOL —

Summer Term Dates

Half Term

29 May - 2 June 2023

Summer Term Ends

19 July 2023

Summer Break

20 July 2023

Upcoming Events this May

Wednesday 24 May

Year 8 Assembly with Sudbury Air
Cadets, 1:40-2pm

Wednesday 24 May

Year 7 Thriftwood Summer Camp Day 1

Thursday 25 May

Year 9 Assembly with Sudbury Air

Dates for your diary week commencing 22 May:

- Wednesday 24 May - Year 8 Assembly with Sudbury Air Cadets, 1:40-2pm
- Wednesday 24 May - Year 7 Thriftwood Summer Camp Day 1
- Thursday 25 May - Year 9 Assembly with Sudbury Air Cadets, 1:40-2pm
- Thursday 25 May - School Nurse Student Drop-in session in U13 (wellbeing room), lunchtime
- Thursday 25 May - Year 7 Thriftwood Summer Camp Day 2
- Friday 26 May - Year 7 Thriftwood Summer Camp Day 3
- Friday 26 May - Final full school day before Half Term

Parent Feedback Welcomed

As part of our ongoing Quality Assurance, we would like to invite parents/carers to complete a survey on your child's experience in specific subjects in school. This half term, we are focussing on PE across Key Stage 3 and 4, as well as BTEC Sport.

Cadets, 1:40-2pm

Thursday 25 May

Year 7 Thriftwood Summer Camp Day 2

Thursday 25 May

School Nurse Student Drop-in session in U13 (wellbeing room), lunchtime

Friday 26 May

Year 7 Thriftwood Summer Camp Day 3

Friday 26 May

Final full school day before Half Term

It would be helpful if you could discuss questions with your child whilst completing the survey, which of course, remains anonymous. To date, your engagement and feedback for History, Computer Science, Maths and MFL has given us a great insight into the departments from students' perspectives and helps to drive improvements and ultimately, progress.

To access the survey on a computer or mobile, please click on the link below. We would appreciate it if surveys could be completed by no later than Friday 9 June:

<https://forms.office.com/e/Um0ThzWUpg>

Thank you in advance - *Mrs Stronach, Deputy Headteacher*

Green Projects Continued

As the runner up school in Suffolk's Greenest School award, we want to do all we can to continue reducing the schools' impact on climate change.

Friday 26 May

Year 7 Thriftwood Summer Camp Day 3

After half term, we will be reverting back to pre-covid times, where students can eat off a plate in the hall. If they wish to have a take-away, they should now bring in their own re-usable container, much like students bring in a reusable bottle. This is in order to reduce waste from the canteen and litter on the school grounds, both of which contribute a huge amount of landfill.

Thank you for your support in our bid to become ***even greener!***

Year 11 - VIVE Canteen Accounts

As we move closer to the Year 11 students leaving Stour Valley, we would be grateful if you would clear any debit balances on ParentPay and ensure your child has sufficient funds if they want to use the canteen. Please note that from Monday, any students with a debit balance won't be able to make any purchases - Thank you.

Suffolk Parent Carer Forum



Do you have lived experience of having, or caring for someone with, special or additional needs and/or disabilities?
Do you live in Suffolk or use Suffolk based services?

If so, we want to hear from you.

Suffolk Parent Carer Forum's aim is to ensure that every parent carer or young person's voice, views and experience matter. We use these insights towards developing and improving services through participation, consultation and co-production.

We are reaching out to those with lived experience to be involved in the forum in any way they can. This can be by: joining our free membership, interacting with our social media channels, sharing feedback or experiences with the Forum, attending focus groups or by becoming an Expert by Experience and sharing your expertise with strategic partners, service leads and decision-makers during meetings.

We can't do this without you!



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Working towards a
brighter future for
Suffolk's children
and young people!

Who are Suffolk Parent Carer Forum?

We are a group of parent carers who have come together to build the forum so that we can help shape the provisions and services our children and young people with special/additional needs and/or disabilities access. We do this through participation, consultation and co-production.

What are our aims & objectives?

- To be the strategic consultative body within Suffolk and represent the voices of families with children and young people with special/additional needs and/or disabilities.
- Providing a liaison point for Statutory and Voluntary Agencies within Suffolk, by using Experts by Experience to work in co-production with local services.
- To consult with and inform our membership with a view to ensuring that all children and young people in Suffolk with special/additional needs and/or disabilities meet their full potential and achieve the best possible outcomes.

How can you contact us?

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Year 10 & 11 Important Dates

Yr 11 GCSE Exams

15 May to 28 June

Yr 11 Study Leave Commences

Tuesday 6 June

Yr 10 End of Year Exams

12 June to 30 June

Year 10 Work Experience

3 - 14 July

Year 10 and 11 Exam Timetables

The Year 11 Leavers Prom

The Year 11 Leavers Prom will be held on Friday 30 June 2023 at

Belchamp Community House & Gardens, 6-10pm. Please note that Prom

payments are required via ParentPay by Wednesday 31 May.

Current Year 10 - Long Road Open Evenings

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/long-road-sixth-form-college-open-evenings-tickets-538791940197>

OPEN EVENINGS FOR SEPTEMBER 2024 ENTRY
YEAR 11s WELCOME

ATTENTION
YEAR 10s
Scan here to
book now!

**DISCOVER YOUR
ROAD TO SUCCESS**

**LONG ROAD
OPEN EVENINGS**
4TH & 5TH JULY 2023, 5-9PM

At Long Road Sixth Form College there's lots of choice: whether you're interested in Art, Science, Sports, Performing or Social Sciences, you can mix and match A Levels and Diplomas to design your programme for success. Whichever direction you take, as a member of our friendly and vibrant community you will develop the skills, independence and focus you need to keep moving forward. Be Prepared. Be Inspired. Be Long Road.

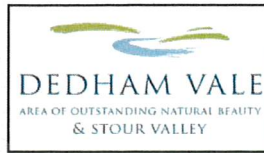
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LONG ROAD SIXTH FORM COLLEGE CAMBRIDGE

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www.longroad.ac.uk

Free Event this Half Term



Its Time to Get...

Wild in the Stour Valley

A fun hands-on family day out, provided by local outdoor education organisations



Mini-beast hunts



Damsels & Dragons



Help4Hogs



Camera Obscura



Boat trips



Quiz Trail



Archery



Art & crafts



Canoeing

Friday 2nd June 2023

11:00am - 4:00pm

Friars Meadow, The Valley Walk, Sudbury, CO10 2SS

FREE EVENT!

Find out more at dedhamvalestourvalley.org or email emma.black@suffolk.gov.uk

Steeple Bumpstead Fun Run

Steeple Bumpstead

Steeple Bumpstead 10k and 3k Fun Run

10K

Multi-Terrain Race & 3K Fun Run

Sun 18th June 2023

10.30am

BBQ-Home Made Cakes

<https://www.steeplechasers.org.uk/5810K3023>



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This year Steeple Bumpstead Pre School Committee are organising the Steeple Bumpstead 10k and 3k event along with Kerry Barnes (Chair of the parish council) and members of Haverhill running club. In the past this event has helped raised considerable amounts of money for the preschool and this year, more than ever, we are in need of these funds to see the pre school continue to stay open long term. As you may be aware, 100s of early years childcare settings are closing across the UK and we are determined to not be another one to close the doors.

The event will run on Father's Day morning, Sunday June 18th.

We are looking for help during the day, specifically with marshalling, the event can not go ahead without marshalls. You would be needed from 9am to around midday. However, you may be finished much earlier depending on your marshalling position.

Marshalls will receive a token to use either at the BBQ or cake stall to say thank you!

We would love to know if yourself or anyone you know would like to marshal. The route is set in the beautiful local countryside with Moyns Park as a real highlight so it's a great route to marshal. If you know someone running it's a great way to support them.

To put your name down, please email Gabby at gabbypatmore@gmail.com and list full name, email address and phone number.

Theatre Royal Auditions Opportunity

Here at Theatre Royal, Bury St Edmunds we are currently looking for young people from age 9 to take part within our annual summer community production. This year it is *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz!* This summer programme will see local young people working alongside theatre

creatives, professional actors, and amateur actors from our local community, culminating in 2 weeks of live performances on Theatre Royal's stage! We're looking for 9-13 year olds to play munchkins, monkeys and courtiers. We are also including six community members, aged 14+, to form our community company playing **The Lion, The Scarecrow, Mum, The North Witch, The Guard and The Medic**. Please note, our young company (9-13) members will split their roles with someone else and share the shows with someone else. We are looking for 2 teams of 6 and each member will perform in 3-4 shows per week. **Applicants need to be the age of 9 by the start of rehearsals.** Our Community Company members will perform in every performance, with 7 shows per week. **Applicants need to be the age of 14 by the start of rehearsals.**

Important Information:

Applications Close: Fri 19 May

Auditions: Sat 3 Jun or Tue 6 Jun (eve)

Rehearsals: Mon 24 Jul – Thu 17 Aug (daytime)

Performances: Fri 18 Aug – Sat 2 Sep (select afternoons & evenings)

For more information and to apply, please visit our website -

<https://theatreroyal.org/the-wonderful-wizard-of-oz-community-call-out>

If you would like to speak to a member of the team then please engagement@theatreroyal.org

- Theatre Royal, Bury St Edmunds

Letters & Notices

https://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/files/letters/Lunchtime_and_After-School_Clubs_Summer_Term_2023.pdf - Summer Term Lunchtime and After School Clubs

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

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

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