

Parent Carer Bulletin

Summer Term Dates

Summer Term Ends

19 July *early end to school day at 2pm*

Summer Break 20 July 2023

Upcoming Events this July

Monday 3 July, Year 10 Work Experience commences, week 1 Wednesday 5 July, NEU Teacher Strike, school closed to students Wednesday 5 July, CEC students to the Suffolk Youth Climate conference with Ms Chappell Thursday 6 July, Activity Afternoon 4 of 6, period 5 Friday 7 July, NEU Teacher Strike, school closed to students Monday 10 July, Year 10 Work Experience continues, week 2 Monday 10 July, Year 6 transition day 1 of 3 Tuesday 11 July, Year 6 transition day 2 of 3 Wednesday 12 July, Year 6 transition day 3 of 3 Thursday 13 July, Activity Afternoon 5 of 6, period 5 Friday 14 July, Sports Day 2023 Monday 17 July, Activity Afternoon 6 of 6, period 5 Monday 17 July, Year 10 Work Experience debrief

2pm
Tuesday 18 July, Stour Valley's
Got Talent Show 2-3pm
Tuesday 18 July, Creative Arts
Summer Spectacular ft. SVCS
Fashion Show, 7-9pm
Wednesday 19 July, final day of
Summer Term *early end to
school day at 2pm

Tuesday 18 July, Stour Valley's Got Talent rehearsals, 8:30am-

Dates for your diary week commencing 3 July:

- Year 10 Work Experience commences, week 1
- Wednesday 5 July, NEU Teacher Strike, school closed to students
- Wednesday 5 July, CEC students to the Suffolk Youth Climate Conference with Ms Chappell
- Thursday 6 July, Activity Afternoon 4 of 6, period 5
- Thursday 6 July, School Nurse student drop-in session in wellbeing room (u13), lunchtime
- Friday 7 July, NEU Teacher Strike, school closed to students

GCSE Results

Year 11 students can collect their statement of results from school on Thursday 24 August. They will be available from 9:30am to 10:30am and staff will be in school that day to answer any questions the students may have. If a student is unable to collect their statement of results, we can arrange to have it posted. We require a large stamped addressed envelope with a signed covering letter/email from the student giving us permission to post their results. A representative can collect the results on the day, but permission must be given by the student via letter/email and the representative must bring proof of ID. exams@stourvalley.org

Activity Afternoon 4

This is on Thursday 6 July Period 5. **Students should all come to school in PE kit.** Students should check their group to see if they are on Y9 swimming as they need swimwear and Y8 Green Team as they may want to bring outdoor shoes and gardening gloves.

Advance notice - Activity Afternoon 5 has moved from Friday 14 July to Thursday 13 July due to the change of date for Sports Day.

Year 10 Work Experience

The Year 10 students had a work experience assembly today and received their paperwork. Please would you encourage them to complete their diary which will be needed during the work experience debrief on Monday 17 July, where they will be off timetable for the day - thank you.

If your child has any queries during their placement, they should contact keady@stourvalley.org or telephone 01787-279342 option 2. We wish them all the best!

SCC Passenger Transport Notification

Suffolk County Council Passenger Transport Service has asked us to remind all existing school transport users that they will need to opt back in to receive free school transport from September 2023 - it will not automatically be renewed. You will need to visit the Suffolk On Board website, click on 'Opt-in (apply)' and follow the instructions. If you have any queries please contact Suffolk On Board directly 0345 606 6173 or via their website: https://www.suffolkonboard.com/school-travel/

GCSE Options

The Year 9 students will receive their GCSE options allocations during PM tutor time on Monday, we will also email a copy to you. We are delighted that the majority of students have been able to have all of their first-choice preferences across the options blocks.

If your child has a query, they will have the opportunity to speak to Mr Mansfield in the Heartspace during PM tutor time on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Green Matters

We are at the end of week 4 our green 'push'. The container/ plate initiative is really picking up, with students adapting well to this positive change. Our waste has reduced enormously, litter has hugely decreased, and students are wasting far less food. A win-win approach to climate on a personal, local and global level. Please note that plastic bottles of water will gradually be phased out, so students should bring a reusable bottle as well as their container. There will always be jugs of water available in the hall at break and lunch times. Challenge 4 of our 'Seven Ways to Save the World' initiative was to become aware of plastic waste at home, with the aim of reducing daily amounts by the end of the week. Did you know, Tesco collects wrappers/ soft plastics? Why not have a separate bin for these at home and drop them off when you are passing? As a school we are now recycling a lot more, including soft plastics and batteries. We have more work to do on this front, but we are making progress. The CEC students will undoubtedly be inspired when attending the first ever Suffolk Climate Conference on Wednesday.

Summer Spectacular!

The final SVCS Creative Arts event of the year is on 18 July, at 7pm! This year's Summer Spectacular promises to be an evening of entertainment for all the family, featuring acts from Stour Valley's Got Talent, Dance Club, Drama Club and a charity 'Express Yourself' Fashion Show organised by Year 10 students in aid of Centre Point. An evening not to be missed! Tickets are on ParentPay now, £5 for adults and £3 for 16 and under.



Frozen the Musical

On Wednesday 21 June, a group of 47, Year 8 and 9 students took a trip to London to experience life in the West End. We started at Danceworks Studios near Oxford Street and quietly made our way through professional auditions and dance classes to our own private studios. We spent the morning learning stage techniques and professional choreography from Disney's Frozen with West-End tutors. This opportunity is not afforded to members of the general public and the choreography is so top secret, there was strictly no filming allowed!





From there, we made our way across a very busy Central London to Drury Lane's Theatre Royal, currently owned by Andrew Lloyd-Webber, where we were treated to a performance of Frozen. Samantha Barks took the lead role of Elsa, whom you may recognise from her appearance alongside Anne Hathaway and Eddie Redmayne in Les Miserable (2012). After an accomplished and visually stunning performance, we left London with an experience we won't soon forget.

Warmer Weather Provisions for PE lessons

As the weather continues to be hot and sunny and the majority of our PE lessons are outside, we are asking students and parents/carers to note the following:

- Students should be encouraged to apply sunscreen before coming to school
- Students should wait in the shade when being taught/given instructions
- Students can wear a rash vest in the pool if they like (these are high strength protection)
- Students should take regular breaks to drink water and be in the shade

Updated Star Travel Timetable HL018

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Haverhill, Samuel Ward School					1535	4/43
Sturmer, Crunch Croft	0740	0905	1135	1430	1540	1720
Baythorne End, Mill Road	0745	0910	1140	1435	1545	1725
Stoke By Clare, The Lion	0750	0915	1145	1440	1550	1730
Clare, Memorial	0755	0920	1150	1445	1555	1735
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Pride Reading!

The Library Committee have selected some book recommendations to celebrate Pride month. Many of these titles can be found in our library.



- Heartstopper by Alice Oseman



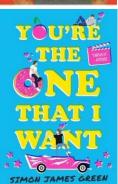
- Date me, Bryson Keller by Kevin Van Whye



- Heart Break Boys by Simon James Green



- Felix Ever After by Kacen Callender



- You're the One That I Want by Simon James Green

Current Year 10 - Long Road Open Evenings

Dear Students, Parents and Carers,

There are just 2 weeks to go until our Year 10 Open Evenings! We hope you are just as excited as we are to come and explore what Long Road has to offer you! It's not too late to book, so what are you waiting for?! BOOK NOW: Long Road Open Evenings 4 & 5 July 2023, 5pm – 9pm

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

Discover your road to success! Long Road Open Evenings, 4 & 5 July 2023

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. We can't wait to meet you at our Open Evenings! Best wishes, Long Road https://www.eventbrite.com/e/long-road-sixth-form-college-open-evenings-tickets-538791940197



Important Letters & Notices

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

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

<u>Primary_Leaflet_Brochure_CUT_OFF.pdf (mcusercontent.com)</u> The Uniform Order deadline this year is Tuesday 1 August:

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