

# Parent Carer Bulletin

## Summer Term Dates

### Half Term

29 May - 2 June 2023

### Summer Term Ends

19 July 2023

### Summer Break

20 July 2023

## Upcoming Events this June

**Monday 5 June**, Students return from the half term break

**Monday 5 June**, Year 10 Prince's Trust at Old Joe's Golf Course, 8:30am-12:00

**Monday 5 June**, Year 11 Leavers Assembly, 12-12:30

**Tuesday 6 June**, Year 10 RM & Graphics trip to The Design Museum London, 8:30am-4:30pm

**Thursday 8 June**, School Nurse Student Drop-in session in the wellbeing room(u13), lunchtime

**Thursday 15 June**, School Nurse Student Drop-in session in the wellbeing room(u13), lunchtime

**Wednesday 21 June**, Year 8 & 9 Music & Drama trip, Frozen the Musical, 7am-7pm

**Thursday 22 June**, School Nurse Student Drop-in session in the wellbeing room(u13), lunchtime

**Friday 30 June**, Year 11 Leavers Prom, 6-10pm

## *Dates for your diary week commencing 5 June:*

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## *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.**

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

## *Student Absence Line*

We would like to kindly remind parents/carers that we have a designated absence line for reporting student absences/late arrivals: **01787 326 941**. This line is available at all hours for you to leave a message.

## *Thank you, Message from Royal Papworth Hospital Charity,*

On behalf of Royal Papworth Hospital Charity, I would like to thank all at Stour Valley School for raising £641.75 in memory of Harley. I hope the pupils found this a meaningful way to celebrate Harley's life and remember him, while raising funds for an important cause. Please do pass on our sincere gratitude to the pupils and staff who helped organise the non-uniform day.

This kindness will support world-leading services at Royal Papworth Hospital, helping future patients and their families, as well as our hardworking staff.

Thanks to generous gifts such as this, we make a real difference across Royal Papworth Hospital. Recent examples of support we have provided include:

- Local accommodation to keep families close to loved ones receiving treatment
- Psychological wellbeing counselling for our hardworking staff, for example those in Critical Care
- Research into biomarkers to prevent sudden deterioration of cystic fibrosis patients
- Specialist equipment to detect secondary cancers in blood samples
- Mesothelioma support group for patients and families

On behalf of our patients, their families, and the staff at Royal Papworth Hospital, thank you for helping us go above and beyond in the care we provide.

If you have any questions or would like to know more about getting involved with Royal Papworth Charity, please call 01223 639950.

Thank you once again for remembering Harley and helping us transform care here at Royal Papworth.

## *Uniform Update*

### PE Sweatshirts

From after May half term, these will continue to be allowed for PE but will not be allowed as part of daily uniform.

### Jewellery

A reminder that a watch and one pair of stud earrings are allowed. All other jewellery should be left at home.

### Footwear

Shoes are required for daily wear. They must be leather/leather-effect and be a school shoe and not a trainer. They must not be canvas or mesh to avoid injury in the event of spillages or accidents. The 'Air Force' style of shoe is allowed.

As always, if you have financial difficulties in purchasing uniform then please contact the finance office on [skemp@stourvalley.org](mailto:skemp@stourvalley.org) as there is support available.

## *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. After half term, we will be reverting 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 10 Design Museum Trip*

Please view the following poster provided by Mr Stephens with information for Year 10 students attending the Design Museum Trip:

- **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June.**
- **Register in the hall at 8:15am.**
- **Leaving at 8:25am** (we will not wait for those who are late)
- **Bring packed lunch & drinks.**
- **Bring a pen/pencil.**
- **Bring a camera.**
- **We should arrive back between 4:00-4:30pm – you may need to be collected.**

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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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## Free Event this Half Term



DEDHAM VALE  
AREA OF OUTSTANDING NATURAL BEAUTY  
& STOUR VALLEY

children's  
LEARNING  
PASSPORT  
TO LEARNING

**SVEN**  
Stour Valley Education Network

*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](http://dedhamvalestourvalley.org) or email [emma.black@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:emma.black@suffolk.gov.uk)

[https://www.stourvalleycommunityschool.org/files/letters/Lunchtime\\_and\\_After-School\\_Clubs\\_Summer\\_Term\\_2023.pdf](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](mailto:studentabsence@stourvalley.org) - *Stour Valley Community School Attendance reporting email address*

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