PARENT CARER BULLETIN

STOUR VALLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Week Commencing 14 September 2026







Year 11 History GCSE Visit to Lavenham Airfield

A valuable opportunity to explore a key GCSE site study location and enhance exam success:

All Year 11 History GCSE students have been given the opportunity of a guided tour of the American airbase at Lavenham on Sunday 4th October. There is no charge for this visit and parents/carers are asked to drop off and pick up on the day. The site study forms 20% of the History GCSE qualification.

Please would all parents and carers of these students look at the details sent to them this week and fill in the online form should they wish their child to come.

We look forward to a great visit!



Eco-Schools Green Flag with Distinction Awarded to CEC

Recognising our students' outstanding commitment to biodiversity, sustainability, and creating a thriving environment for wildlife:

CEC are thrilled to announce that their hard work has meant that the school has been awarded the eco-schools green flag with distinction this year. With lots of work around the school grounds on increasing the biodiversity and surveying the increase in species numbers and types that live at school. We have been praised for our extensive work on extending our tree canopy and careful planting to provide habitats for fauna to thrive.

'Your Greatest Overall Success: This year, the improvement of your grounds has clearly paid off, creating more space for nature to thrive across the school site! It is wonderful to see bluetits and robins using the window feeder, along with evidence of nesting and a wider range of birds and invertebrates in your surveys. This is likely to deepen pupils' connection with the natural world, strengthen pride in the school environment, and support lasting biodiversity.'

CEC students would also like to mention the help that they have had from Mr Stephens and his makers club in achieving their success. Watch this space for the exciting plans they have for this year!

points earned **185**

Eco-Schools
Distinction

Green Flag with Distinction

2026

CLIMATE EMERGENCY COMMITTEE

Extra Curricular Activities

Lunch and after-school clubs available this Autumn Term :

Be Kind
Be Brave
Be Ambitious
Collaborate

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ANGLIAN LEARNING

Lunch Clubs

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
LUNCH	Boardgames (all years) U3 - CMI	GCSE DT Portfolio Catch Up G5 - DST	Dungeons & Dragons Library - DST	GCSE DT Portfolio Catch Up G5 - DST	GCSE DT Portfolio Catch Up G5 - DST
LUNCH	Crochet Society - members only U7 - SWO	Rubik's Cube Club U12 - LMG	Dungeons & Dragons G5 - DST	Boardgames Club (all years) U3 - CMI	Homework Club U1 - CCU
LUNCH	Spanish Library - ZMI	History Extra H2 - KTE	Storytellers Library - ZMI	Duolingo Club U1 - LMG	Tea Society - members only (Friday B) U7 - SWO
LUNCH	GCSE DT Portfolio Catch Up G5 - DST	Craft Library - ZMI	Music Practice Rooms (booking required) Music Block - DHO	Book Club Library - ZMI	Film Society Library - ZMI
LUNCH	Mindfulness Colouring Society U4 - MKO	Books & Biscuits (Y7&8) U8 - LSV	Y11 DT Catch-up G4-ACO	Dodgeball (all years) Gym - PE Department	Girls Active Club (all years) Gym - PE Department
LUNCH	Year Book Team (Y9/10/11) U6 - AST	Music Practice Rooms (booking required) Music Block - DHO	Basketball (Y9/10/11) Gym - PE Department		
LUNCH	Basketball (Y7 & 8) Gym - PE Department	Pride/Equalities Group G6 - CTO			
		Table Tennis (all years) Activity Studio - PE Department			

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After school - 4pm

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
4pm	GCSE DT Practical Catch G4 - DST		Girls Football (all years) Field - NMU	Stour Valley Singers Music Block - DHO
4pm	Further Maths (Y11 by invite) U14/U3 - GCH/CMI		Drama Club Stage - MWR/MPA	Y11 Art G7 - JCA
4pm	Netball Courts - PE Department		GCSE English Revision G1 - IGI	
4pm	Football (Y7/8/9) Field - PE Department		GCSE Spanish Revision U12 - LMG	
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Events this September

Keep track of important events this month:

- Thursday 24 September – Post 16 & Careers Evening, 5–7pm.
- Friday 25 September – Year 7 Bikeability session 2.

Autumn Term Dates

This season's term dates at a glance:

- 3 September 2026 – Autumn Term starts.
- 1 October 2026 – Year 6 Open Evening from 6–8pm, school day ends early at 2pm.
- 26–30 October 2026 – Half Term.
- 27 November 2026 – Non-pupil Day.
- 21 December 2026 – 1 January 2027 – Christmas Break.

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ANGLIAN LEARNING

SUDBURY ARMY CADETS

NATIONAL CADETS WEEK

TUESDAY 6 OCTOBER

OPEN EVENING

DISCOVER – EXPLORE – BELONG



MEET THE CADETS
Chat with our cadets and staff.

TRY NEW THINGS
Handsonactivitiesandchallenges.

BUILD SKILLS
Developconfidenceandleadership.

JOIN THE ADVENTURE
FindyourpathwithSuffolk ACF

6th OCTOBER
19:00
SUDBURY CADET CENTRE
CO10 2EU

ARMY CADETS
GOING FURTHER

HOME START HIKE

KINGFISHER LEISURE CENTRE, SUDBURY

SUNDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER 2026

OPEN TO FAMILIES, INDIVIDUALS & TEAMS

FOUR ROUTES TO CHOOSE FROM

3 MILES	6 MILES	13 MILES*	26 MILES*

Child Ticket from £10

Adult Ticket from £15

Family Ticket from £45

Team Ticket - £120

*Age restrictions apply
Family ticket includes 2 adults and up to 3 children



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YOUR DESIGN COULD BE THE ONE!



YOU CAN ENTER BY SUBMITTING A DESIGN.

DROP YOUR DESIGN INTO THE CO-OP.

SUBMISSIONS CLOSE SEPT 1ST

THE CHOSEN DESIGN WILL BE FEATURED IN OUR NEW YOUTH HUB!

LAUNCHING OCTOBER 2ND

BE CREATIVE BE BOLD BE YOU!

SHOW US WHAT YOU CAN DO!

YOUR ART. YOUR COMMUNITY. YOUR LEGACY.

Are you interested in METAL DETECTING?

Have you found anything interesting buried in your garden?



Bring them to show the experts

Come and explore some interesting finds

Wednesday 23rd September
5:30 Old School Hall

Touch the stuff