



STORMONT HOUSE SCHOOL
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Achievement for all in a unique world-class school

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Year 8 Invasion of the The Tower of London



On Wednesday Year 8 had a fact filled and inspiring visit to the Tower of London.

The students walked around the walls and battlements and had a bird's eye view of the historic buildings which make up this remarkable place, such as the famous White Tower built in 1066 by William the Conqueror, set against the very modern buildings of the Shard and the Gherkin. After entering near Traitor's Gate they were given a tour of the prison room in Salt Tower, which was covered in fine quality graffiti carved by the inmates. They were surprised to hear that some rich prisoners were allowed to bring their own furniture, rugs and even servants with them. The group were told about two dramatic escapes made by prisoners in the 16th Century. One man climbed down from a tower using a rope which had been smuggled in a barrel of wine! They also found out that the Tower had been used to house a menagerie of wild animals, a bit like a zoo. It is most famous as the place where 22 people were executed including Ann Boleyn, Catherine Howard, Lady Jane Grey, Sir Thomas More and Bishop John Fisher.

The students saw the dazzling Crown Jewels, the huge Armoury and the beautiful Norman chapel of St John. Shane took hundreds of photographs and all students climbed up and down hundreds of steps and had a fantastic day in spite of the drizzle. Staff accompanying the students were all proud of our students' behaviour and the way they answered and asked so many questions.

They made the most of the chance to speak with the Yeoman Guards and the actors dressed in period costumes.

Thank you to everyone for making this trip possible.



Reminder – Year 7 / 8 Parent Carer Evening is taking place on Tuesday 15 March 2016 from 4-6pm

Sports Relief Afternoon – Friday 18 March – No Uniform Day £1 per pupil

Jack Petchey Award Winner - February 2016



Our Jack Petchey Award winner for February is T'raj (Year 7M). T'raj is a good role-model for the rest of his class. Although he is a quiet member of the class he always has a response if asked a question. He likes to work independently and with a partner. He works very hard always trying his best and is not afraid to ask if he is unsure about something. He is popular with his peers and enjoys reading and playing computer games.

Tauronraj will work with Ms Motin, and the rest of his class to decide what he would like to spend the grant award of £250 on.



Football Sessions For Girls



Arsenal in the community are running mixed disability and learning disability football sessions for under 16 girls at William Tyndale School (N1 2GG). The sessions take place every Friday evening from 7 – 8pm. The sessions are free and participants do not need to book places. If you are interested please contact Luke Howard on Lhoward@arsenal.co.uk or turn up on the evening.

Travel Training

Hackney SEND Travel Assistance Service will be contacting Parents / carers shortly re: the possibility of students undertaking independent travel training.

Travel training young people brings many benefits in addition to the ability to travel at least one journey independently. General safety and awareness, and learning coping strategies are only the beginning.

Communication skills, telling the time and time management are all improved with Travel Training. The practical use of literacy and numeracy skills are developed as the training progresses.

The independence developed through travel training increases self esteem and self confidence along with self reliance. It produces a feeling of independence which can lead to the development of a can do attitude and give more personal control to young people's lives.

Travel Training offers the prospect of improved practical skills and increased personal development which can impact far beyond the ability to travel to school or college unaccompanied. Indeed it is the case that a young person would benefit from travel training even if ultimately they were not assessed as able to travel to school independently.

Dates for Your Diary



Spring Term 2016

Tuesday 15 March - Year 7 - 8 Parent / Carer Evening - 4-6pm

Friday 18 March - Sports Relief Day

Wednesday 23 March - Spring Term Reward Outing Day

Thursday 24 March - Last day of the Spring Term - 1.15pm Finish

Summer Term

Monday 11 April - First day of the Summer Term - Normal school opening times