



# Stormont House School Matters

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Achievement for all in a unique world-class school

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## Connecting Classrooms with Lanya Junior High

On Monday 3 July our friends from Lanya Junior High School, Taipei arrived at Stormont House ready to enjoy a full week of activities and trips. On their first morning the students from both schools started to really get to know one another – sharing stories and experiences. The students from Lanya were able to experience gardening, dance, art, food technology, design technology, English, music, science, P4C and physical education.

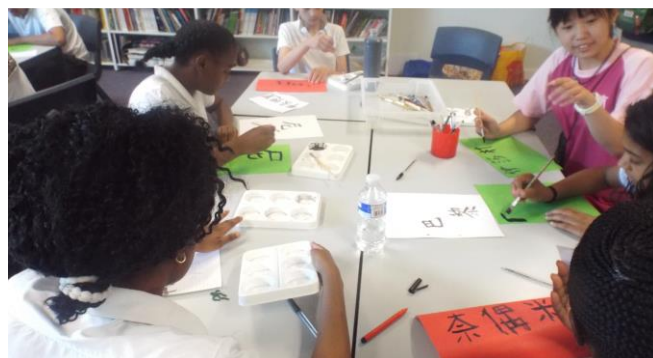


On Tuesday morning Year 7 set off with the Lanya group to go to Hampstead Heath, Ms Driver had bought kites to fly on the heath. The weather was perfect for such an adventure and the whole group enjoyed the experience.

On the groups third day the Lanya students shared a side of their Taiwanese culture by showing our students how to write their names using Chinese calligraphy. Year 7 and 8 presented sessions based on living in London. The day included the 'The London Biscuit Challenge' and 'The Building a London Structure Challenge'.

On Thursday, Year 8 and the Lanya students travelled to the Olympic site in Stratford to go on a boat trip around the site to see all of the venues that had been used in 2012. They were also lucky enough to be able to go up the ArcelorMittal Orbit to see the views over the site and beyond to the London skyline.

On the last day of Lanya's visit Ms Driver decided to take everyone to Clissold Park to enjoy the sunshine. Many of the Lanya children said that parks in Taipei were very



different to the parks in England. Our parks were great fun for all age groups. They really liked being able to paddle in the paddling pool.

The day was ended with a gift giving presentation and a talent show. All of the students have made great friendships with their pen pals and they can't wait to chat to them in the new term in September. Ms Lai from Lanya has confirmed that they will definitely be visiting again next year. Well Done Year 7 and 8.

## Year 10 Residential Journey to Boulogne-sur-Mer

Our Year 10's returned from their residential journey to Boulogne-sur-Mer on Friday 7 July, tired but happy - they had enjoyed a packed trip full of a variety of different activities.

On Monday 3 July, Ms Foster, Ms Matthews, Mr Calvin and Mrs Napier drove the group down to catch the Eurotunnel train to France, they arrived at FUAI Boulogne at 2.30pm (French time), after unpacking and settling in the group travelled to a local beach in Wimereux to explore. Some of the students couldn't resist dipping their toes into the freezing cold sea.

The next morning the group woke up to a beautiful day, after a continental breakfast they went to experience a shopping mall where the students purchased items and practised their French. The afternoon was spent at 'Nausicaä', the biggest aquarium in Europe, students were able to see sharks and seals, and they were able to touch Pollack, cod, dogfish, turbot and stingrays in the touch pool. The students enjoyed walking through the shark tunnel where they could get up close and personal with Jaws!!

Tuesday evening was spent in Wimereux at a sea front restaurant, where the students enjoyed eating stone baked pizzas, steak hache and frites. Some of the students enjoyed an ice cream and crepes from a stall on the promenade (those who had enough room for dessert - Ms Matthews!!).

Wednesday morning started with a walk into town to experience a traditional French town market where the students were treated to a selection of wonderful patisserie. They then walked around the market buying souvenirs to take home to their families. The afternoon was spent in Wissant a lovely seaside village - playing games and burying friends in the sand.



When the students awoke on Thursday morning the clouds were heavy with rain, but they knew they were going to Aqualud, so everyone was very excited to get going. When they arrived in Le Touquet the heavens opened but the students didn't have long to wait until they were let into the centre. They had a wonderful time sliding down water chutes which were called - The Black Hole, Twister, The Grand Canyon and the Magic River. The students were able to go outside in the afternoon because the temperature had shot up to 31°C with clear blue skies. The finishing touch in Le Touquet was being able to have a picnic lunch on the beach looking out to sea.



Thursday night found the group back in Boulogne, everyone put on their best outfits and went out for dinner to a restaurant in the old walled part of town. The restaurant was called 'La Scala', here some of the students were brave enough to taste snails cooked in garlic butter.

Friday morning came around all too soon, and cleaning rooms and packing were the order of the day. Everyone said a fond farewell to Boulogne and France as they winged their way back to the UK on the Eurotunnel.

Well Done Year 10 you were all amazing.



## Term Dates for your Diary

**Monday 17 July**

**Tuesday 18 July**

**Friday 21 July**

**World Para Athletics Championships Years 7-10 @ Queen Elizabeth Olympic Stadium**

**Year 12 - World Para Athletics Championships @ Queen Elizabeth Olympic Stadium**

**End of Summer term - school closes at 1.30pm**