

Stormont House School

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Our vision

Achievement for all in a unique world-class school

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Welcome Back!

How wonderful it has been to see our students back in school this last few weeks! So many of them have grown over the summer, and it has been lovely to see so many smiling faces.



A special welcome to our new Year 7s! I know it is early days, but it was amazing how quickly they settled into their first day and already are making some great friendships!



Timings of the School Day

Monday to Thursday: 8:50 am - 3.25pm

Friday: 8:50am - 3.00pm

Breakfast from 8:35am

Please report student absences to the school office before 9.00am on

020 8985 4245

On-line payments for school lunches through Pay360



All parents/carers should have received a validation letter to allow them to log on to Pay360 on-line for school lunches. If you are having issues validating your account, please contact Mrs Kaur in the school office on 020 8985 4245.

*Dates for
your
diary.....*

Black History Month Assembly

Parent advice drop in session

Parent advice drop in session

Year 11 6th Form Information session

Last day of half term

Return to school

Autism Education Trust Parent Session

'Making Sense of Autism'

Monday 10th October

Thursday 13th October 9-11am

Thursday 13th October 4-6pm

Thursday 13th October

Friday 21st October 2022

Monday 31st October 2022

Tuesday 8th November 4-6pm

Sports Day!

On 15th September our students participated in Sports Day. Every student was assigned to a team: Maroon, Purple, Red, Blue, Yellow or Green.

The teams had to complete several challenges: basketball shoot out, penalty shootout, javelin, shot put, standing long jump and relay.

Once they completed those tasks every student took part in races. It was either egg and spoon, sack or 100m race.

And then - the cherry on a cake -Tug of war! Every team had to face each other. It was very exciting to watch! All the students tried their hardest. Everyone had shown great sporting attitude as well. I must admit it was a pleasure to watch.

The teams were awarded points for every activity. The overall results:

Overall points and final place:

- 1st place: **Blue** 86 points
- 2nd place: **Purple** 76 points
- 3rd place: **Green** 75 points
- 4th place: **Yellow** 66 points
- 5th place: **Red** 59 points
- 6th place: **Maroon** 56 points

It was a fantastic day for the whole of our school community. I was extremely very happy to see every student taking part, having fun and exercising at the same time!

The winning teams were awarded medals. Additionally, Blue team received beautiful London Youth Games 2022 jumpers!

Well done everyone and BIG thank you to all our staff that made it happen.







Homework



Weekly English and maths homework is set on Mathletics and Reading Eggs. You should have received a letter with your child's login details. One other subject will set paper-based homework each week.

WEEK BEGINNING	CURRICULAR AREA
12 TH SEPTEMBER	Art or Food Tech
19 TH SEPTEMBER	PSD
26 TH SEPTEMBER	Computing
3 RD OCTOBER	PE
10 TH OCTOBER	Science
17 TH OCTOBER	Humanities

We promote independence at Stormont House so please encourage your child to complete the tasks to the best of their own ability, as that will give their subject teachers a better indicator of their current understanding.

Students who regularly complete their homework on time and to the best of their ability will receive a reward at the end of the term.

If you any queries about any of the homework, please contact your child's form tutor and we will try to assist in any way we can.



To see what your child will be learning about this term, check out their class curriculum overview on the school website www.stormonthouse.hackney.sch.uk/website/curriculum_overview_autumn_1/622073

What we've been cooking this month!

7MA's

Bread rolls, Cupcakes, and Fruit Salad



8C's

Fruit Salad, Muffins & Pizzas



9B, 10W, and 11A's omelettes, stir fries, and knife skills



Updates from Speech and Language Therapy:

This year there are two autism friendly initiatives happening in Hackney.

- The first is the appointment of a Specialist Autism Coordinator in the Neighbourhoods Team.
- Her role is to try to provide better experiences for autistic people in the community.
 - The person in this role is Jody Laronde, who used to be a Speech Therapist at Stormont House School!
 - If you haven't already completed it, you may like to complete this survey about your experiences of accessing the GP surgery.
[Autistic Friendly Neighbourhood's project London Fields \(office.com\)](#)
 - The Neighbourhoods Team are looking for a new logo and there is a prize available for the winning entry. This is open to any autistic young people aged 14+. Some of our students may design some logos at school but you may also be interested in thinking about this at home (each person can send three logos) – information below.
 - If you use Twitter you may like to follow the Autistic Friendly Neighbourhoods Team:
[Autistic Friendly Neighbourhood's Hackney \(@autism_huh\) / Twitter](#)
- The second is the role out of Autism Education Trust training across Hackney.
 - A number of people have become official AET trainers including some at Stormont House.
 - Keep a look out for an invitation to an AET training session at school. If you would like to know more about the Autism Education Trust, you can find it here: [Autism Education Trust](#)

From your Speech Therapy Team,



Jenny Marcall



Sophie Lewis



Chelsie Fox




Homerton Healthcare
NHS Foundation Trust

We need a logo for our Autistic friendly Neighbourhood's project

Are you an autistic person aged 14 or above? Do you want to win a £50 Amazon voucher?

Whether you have artistic skill or not, we need your help!

We want autistic people of all ages to have better experiences using services and community spaces in Hackney. Our project aims to support people working in Hackney:

- to have an awareness and appreciation of autism
- to know how to make changes to how they do things so that autistic people can easily access the services on offer

The logo will be used to:

- promote autism acceptance and appreciation in Hackney
- help people recognise autistic friendly places and services in Hackney

Examples of good logos:



Guidance:

- the logo should be abstract
- it can be words only
- it can include the gold or rainbow infinity symbol
- no blue
- no puzzle pieces



Please send your entries to Jody.Laronde1@nhs.net by **Friday 11th November 2022**. You can submit up to 3 logos. The winner of the competition will be announced the following week. Get creating!

The very first, fully accredited 'Making Sense of Autism' session for parents will be held on the 8th November here in school 4 – 6 pm! More information and a booking form will be in the October Newsletter so watch this space!



 **autism**
education trust
www.autismeducationtrust.org.uk

Parent/Carer Information Sessions



On **THURSDAY 13 OCTOBER 2022** we are holding Parent/Carer Information sessions for the following:

Sixth Form Information – For Year 11 Parents/Carers

AM Session: 9 - 9.45am

PM Session: 4 - 4.45pm

Parent Support Drop-in – For All Parents/Carers

AM Session: 9 - 11am

PM Session: 4 - 6pm

The **Sixth Form** session will be run by the Sixth Form Lead, it is a chance to find out more about Year 12 and ask questions about possible college courses your child could access next year.

The **Parent Support** Drop-in is a chance to get help with the following:

- Filling out DLA / PiP forms
- Applying for Zip Cards / Freedom Passes
- Benefit Support
- Applying for grants e.g., Family Fund, Short breaks etc.

If you have any questions about these sessions, please contact the school and ask to speak to Ms Claire Napier, Mrs Tracy Napier or Ms Collier.