

# **Stormont House School Matters**

Our vision

## Achievement for all in a unique world-class school

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Reminder

### Half term Monday 29 October to Friday 2 November (school closed to all pupils)

#### Menu Week Commencing Monday 5 November School Lunch Menu Week 3

#### MONDAY

Sausages or vegetarian quorn sausages with onions

Mashed potatoes, peas or baked beans

Jacket potato with tuna

Syrup sponge or mandarins and custard

#### TUESDAY

Beef goulash or bean goulash Rice, green beans and carrots Jacket potato with cheese and beans Iced sponge with custard or tropical fruit bowl

#### WEDNESDAY

Chicken fajitas or roasted vegetables and onion fajitas Salad Jacket potato with coleslaw and cheese

# Ice cream and fruit cocktail

#### THURSDAY

Roast chicken pieces or vegetarian pasty Roast potatoes, cabbage Jacket potato with tuna Bakewell tart with custard or Strawberry mousse

#### FRIDAY

Battered fish or vegetarian pasta bake Chips, peas Jacket potato with various fillings Wheat crunch biscuits with custard or melon



#### Year 11 Destinations

We are delighted to let you all know, all our previous Year 11s have settled well into college. They are attending colleges all around London including: City & Islington, Hackney Community College and Westminster Kingsway. Our ex pupils are studying a range of courses including Sport & Leisure, ICT, Art and Design and many more. Some have already been back to visit to let us know how they are getting on, it's great to see them so happy and confident!

#### 'Expressive Art' Afternoons

This term we have started 'Expressive Arts' afternoons with years 7, 8 and 9, the workshops include drama, dance and photography. The year groups will get the chance over the next two terms to have sessions in each of the workshops. The drama workshop is working on expressing emotions, the dance workshop is centred on how to use everyday objects to make sounds that can then be used in a dance performance. In the photography sessions the children have been taking images of themselves and areas of the school, they are creating via the computer images of themselves overlaid onto images from around the school. As you can see in the image of Tommy the pupils are using computers to create their own special piece of art.





#### Free School Meals – We can help Make sure you claim!

As you know all pupils at Stormont House have a school dinner. Dinner money is £1.70 per day or £8.50 per week. Dinner money is payable on a Monday morning at reception. Please clearly mark your child's name on an envelope with the correct money if possible inside.

#### You can apply for free school meals if you receive one the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-based Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit, provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and your income is £16,190 or less (this figure changes each April).
- Working Tax Credit for four weeks after your employment finishes
- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Support from the National Asylum Support Service (NASS)

If you receive any of the above and are not currently claiming free school meals please speak to Monica (Receptionist) who will be able to provide an application form and help you to complete it. Alternatively you can download a form from

www.learningtrust.co.uk or pick one up from The Learning Trust offices at 1 Reading Lane, E8 1GQ.

#### How much money could I save?

If your child is entitled to free school meals, you could save on average £10 per week or £390 per year. If you complete a free schools meal application the school will also benefit by receiving additional funding. Please let us know if

you need any assistance with your application.

#### If you are entitled to free school meals but do not apply, you must pay for school meals.

# **Contact Details**

We must have at least **TWO** people named as emergency contact in case your child has an accident or there is another unforeseen emergency. Thank you to all parent/carers who have already provided details of any changes of address or telephone numbers. Please contact Monica in reception on (020) 8985 4245 if we do not have updated details for your child. Every year we end up with a vast amount of lost property, including coats, hats and trainers. We make an effort to identify the owners, but often without success. Can you please remind your child to look at the lost property, as any items that remain unclaimed by the end of this term will be taken to a charity shop. If there is a specific item your child has lost please ring Monica (receptionist) who will ask the appropriate teaching assistant to help your child look through the lost property to see if it can be found. It is helpful if the name of the pupil could be written on the label of any items as this enables lost clothing to be returned straight to the pupil.

Lost property



#### Autumn Term School Events 2012/13

Mon 29 October–Fri 2 November Thursday 8 November Friday 9 November

Mon 12–Fri 23 November Monday 17 December Wednesday 19 December Thursday 20 December **Monday 7 January 2013** 





Parent Carer Consultation Evening (scheduled appointments 4-8pm) Parent Carer Consultation Day (scheduled appointments for parents/carers with pupils) Work Experience (Year 11) Christmas Performances Pupils' Christmas Dinner School Closes for Christmas Holidays at 1.15pm

Spring term begins pupils return to school



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