



# Stormont House School Matters

Our vision

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

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## Welcome back for the start of the Summer term!

### Reminders:

**Friday 4 May school is closed to all pupils for staff training**

**Summer term finishes earlier than usual on Friday 13 July at 1.15pm**



## Be on time for your Exams!

We returned from the Easter break to some of our year 10 and year 11 pupils beginning to take their GCSE modules and exams. Although pupils should always arrive at school on time it is especially important as we are now in exam season. Morning registration is at 8.55am and the school is open to all pupils from 8.30am so there is no excuse for lateness! Please make sure your child is on time for school especially if they are taking an exam.

Forthcoming exam times and dates:

- Wednesday 25 April 1.30pm - ICT Functional Skills Entry Level 3 (11M)
- Monday 30 April 1.30pm - ICT Functional Skills Entry Level 3 (11P)
- Tuesday 8 May 9.00am English Functional Skills Levels 1 & 2 (11M/11P)

## Stormont House Family Healthy Break at Kench Hill Centre A Resounding Success

For the first time, Stormont House School organised a family break to Kench Hill Outdoor Centre. Funding was received from the Family Holiday Association for 7 families to enjoy a three day/ two night healthy break. The holiday included swimming, a visit to Hastings, gardening and food preparation as well as lots of fun activities organised by the Kench Hill and Stormont House members of staff.

The families who took part in the journey were full of praise about every aspect of the trip, from the way they found fellow parents and children supported one another throughout each activity, to how well thought out the itinerary was to allow time for families to socialise and have some individual / family down time within the busy schedule.

Sandi Bain the Kench Hill organiser commented "the input from the 2 Stormont House staff, Pauline Whitbread and Tracy Napier, was exceptional".

All of the families said they would definitely undertake the journey again if they had the chance next year. Tracy Napier one of the members of staff from Stormont House School stated that "I believe every family participated fully in every aspect of the healthy break and I hope they have taken away some very happy memories of their time at Kench Hill."



## A note from Mr McDonnell on the Year 7 Easter Assembly

On Tuesday 27 March we welcomed parents and family members to the Year 7 Easter assembly. This is always a landmark event, as it requires such close and trusting teamwork from pupils who did not know each other a few short months ago and are aware of the extremely high standards set in previous years. Mr Cravioto and Ms Whitbread worked with the class to build their confidence, skills and understanding, resulting in an excellent performance.

The important Easter messages of hope, faith, sacrifice, and renewal (which transcend any one faith) are very weighty subjects for such young pupils, but I was moved by their impeccable performance. I was also very touched by the many positive comments afterwards from parents, grandparents and other family members, who left inspired by the event.



### Reminders:

#### 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.

#### School Meals

Please pay dinner money on Monday morning ensuring that your child's name is clearly written on the envelope. Dinner money is £1.70 per day or a weekly amount of £8.50.

#### After School Clubs (Extended School Information)

The following clubs are running each week. If pupils want to join one of the clubs parent/carers should contact Mrs Napier to find out if spaces are still available. Parents/carers must complete and return a permission form before the pupil can start to attend any of the clubs:

Monday	Cricket	3.30 – 4.30pm
	Sailing	3.20 – 5.30pm
Wednesday	Indoor Rowing	3.30 – 4.30pm
	Homework/Art Club (KS4 only)	3.30 – 4.30pm
Thursday	Comicbook	3.30 – 4.30pm
	Football	3.30 – 4.30pm
Friday	Youth Club	3.30 – 4.30pm

### Term dates for Pupils

Friday 4 May – School closed to all pupils for staff training

Monday 7 May – Bank Holiday

Monday 4 June - Friday 8 June – Half term

Monday 11 June pupils return to school after half term

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Monday 10 September – pupils return for the start of the Autumn term at our temporary site at Mount Pleasant Lane London E5 9JG