



Stormont House School Matters

Our vision

Achievement for all in a unique world-class school

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Learning through Landscapes Project

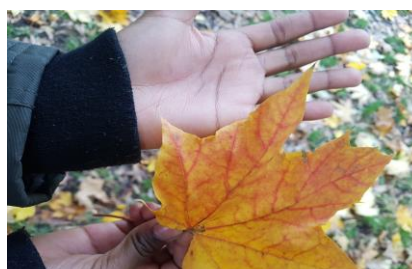


7MU have been taking part in a nature connection project funded by national charity **Learning through Landscapes**.

My School, My Planet was designed to engage young people in learning from nature and give them practical insight into how nature works and how we can connect with it.

The class has done amazing things, including preparing the large bed and planting a herb garden which everyone has been enjoying. They also got creative with natural materials, using tools to make conker necklaces, and learning about how herbs can keep us calm by making lavender bags as gifts.

7MU have also been exploring Hackney Downs, learning more about trees through sensory activities, making mini habitats and going on mini beast hunts, where they found stag beetle larvae! They were enormous; and one student said they felt "oily."



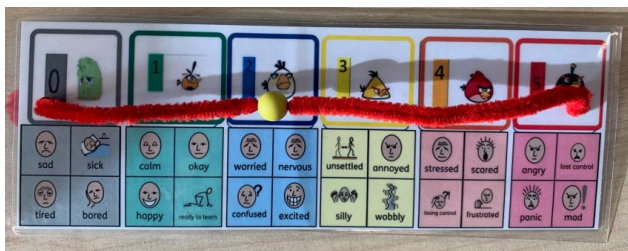
As a final celebration of the project, the students rolled beeswax candles and used the new apple press with the help of chef Charlie, connecting the work of bees to the food we eat. It has been an exciting and memorable journey!"



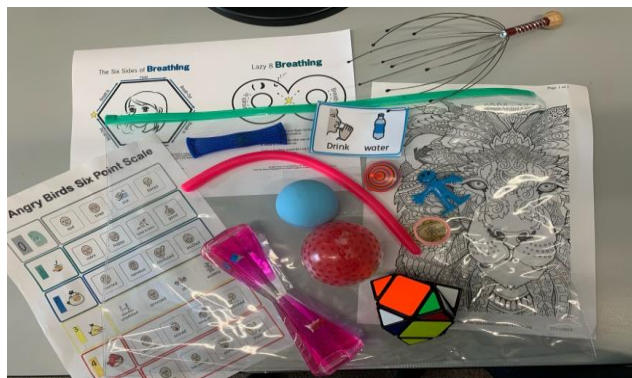
Update from the Speech and Language Team

'6 Point Scale'

Students have been making their own personal '6 Point Scale' during Expressive Arts. These scales can sit on their desks and allow for lots of opportunities to check-in with their emotions throughout the school day.



The SALT team are introducing class toolkits into each classroom this term. The toolkits will be used to model and support students to regulate their emotions and get back to a 1. For example, if they are feeling a 3 on the scale, they might be unsettled, we can model a strategy from the toolkit to get back to 1- they could do some 'lazy 8' breathing or squeeze a sensory ball. The Speech and Language Team will be training staff on how to use the toolkits in the classroom in November.



Jack Petchey Award Winners

Congratulations to the following students for winning the Jack Petchey Awards:

- J’Kia Powell (February 2020)
- Bobbi-May Gipson (March 2020)
- Alice Wearing (April 2020)

J'kia received the award for his extremely positive transition to Stormont House. He works really hard at everything that he attempts.

Bobbi-May received the award for being a supportive member of her class and for always being the first person to help out when others need support.

Alice received the award for becoming more focused in lessons and for using her 6 point emotional scale effectively in class.

Well Done everyone.



Alumni News



Miss Napier caught up with Adam Hollingworth this week, who has been undertaking a Supported Internship with Hackney Council. Adam started his employment journey at Stormont House, attending the school from 2011 to 2017. While in the school sixth form at Stormont he attended ELATT for 2 days a week to study Media and had a successful work experience at Hackney City Farm, he showed himself to be a born outdoors man on the Duke of Edinburgh expeditions . Adam then continued on to ELATT full time for Year 13 and 14 where he achieved a Level 3 qualification in Media. Once he finished college Adam was successfully gained a place on Hackney Council's Supported Internship Programme, where he is currently performing his 3rd rotation placement at BSix Sixth Form College as a Security guard.

Adam said, "I have loved my Supported Internship and I am working hard applying for full time jobs with my mentor from the programme. I really miss Stormont and I am very grateful for all the help the school gave me." Well done Adam and good luck with the next chapter in your employment story.



Remembrance Day 2020



Students in KS4 took part in a WW1 Workshop this week



This week the students have been learning about Remembrance Day and what it means.

Remembrance Day is held on the 11 of November. Students and staff held a two-minute silence in school on Wednesday to remember the millions who have died at war.

Poppies are worn on Remembrance Day because they are the flowers which grew on the battlefields after World War 1 ended.



Years 8-10 Parent/Carer Meetings (Virtual)
Thursday 3 December

Students break up for Christmas holidays
Friday 18 December
Students return to school on Monday 4 January

Face Masks

Face masks should be worn by adults and students when moving around school, outside of classrooms or activity rooms, such as in corridors and communal areas where social distancing cannot easily be maintained. Please ensure your child brings a clean mask to school, labelled with their name on it.

Students must bring a reusable water bottle into school every day

