

..... SCHOOL CLOSURE.....
NUT TEACHERS STRIKE ON THURSDAY 17 OCTOBER.
School will be CLOSED to all pupils
(School will re-open at the usual time on Friday 18 October)

Hackney Jack Petchey Regional Award Ceremony

On Tuesday 15 October Stormont House School Jack Petchey Award winners will be attending the regional award ceremony at Stoke Newington Town Hall to receive their gilt medallions. The Jack Petchey Foundation was established in 1999 to support organisations that work with young people aged 11-25. Since its formation over £85 million has been distributed to schools, youth clubs, scouts and guides groups. The Jack Petchey Foundation's aim is to invest in youth organisations and programmes that represent value for money and create inclusive and positive opportunities for young people to engage, excel and achieve.

Our award winners for 2012-13 are Edward Year 11, Jessica and Rhys Year 8, Tommy and George Year 9, Bella and Jamie Year 10, and 2 pupils from our Year 11's that have just left, Pritesh and Sasha.

Year 8 Trip To The Globe Theatre

Year 8 had a fantastic visit to the Globe Theatre on Tuesday 8 October. We travelled by bus and crossed the Thames on the Millenium Bridge. We were guided around the Theatre by Kate who explained the history of the theatre and how bears and dogs were also used to entertain the crowds. We also learned that the higher up you sat in the theatre the more you had to pay. The theatre was beautiful with its thatched roof and oak beams. The sun shone and we ate our packed lunch beside the Thames. After the guided tour we had an eventful workshop on Romeo and Juliet playing Montagues and Capulets.

Year 8 on the Millenium Bridge



Awareness/Safety on the Internet

Children's privacy can be invaded online in several ways. For example, it can happen when they:

- fill out forms and enter contests on commercial Websites
- provide information when registering for Internet services or software (i.e. file-sharing, instant messaging, e-mail)
- complete a personal profile for an e-mail or instant messaging account
- give personal information to strangers in chat rooms or through instant messaging
- Social networking sites – who are they friends with?

If you know your child uses Facebook or any other social networking site, please help them to check their privacy settings.



Williams Lea Mentors



A team of Mentors from our Business Partners, Williams Lea, come into school regularly to work with Year 10 pupils, helping them to broaden their understanding of the world of work. We currently have 12 mentors who visit our school. When they arrive they are greeted by Year 10 pupils who also provide refreshments for them. They then work together, on various work related issues, for example preparing them for their Internal Work Experience, and developing strategies to cope with the interview process that will help them in later life. The pupils also get to spend a day with the mentors in their work place in the City, where they follow the mentors through a usual working day pattern. Williams Lea has been working with the school for many years now, in fact some of the individual mentors have been coming in to school for over twelve years. They volunteer for the scheme and are very committed to helping our pupils. The mentors attend various functions at our school including Record of Achievement Day and Christmas lunch. Because of the excellence of their work the mentoring team won The Learning Trust Educators Award for Best Educational Business Partnership.

Advance Notice

As you are aware, we will be moving into our brand new school in January 2014 therefore the last day of the Autumn term for pupils will be Monday, 16th December when we shall have a Carol Service in the morning followed by Christmas lunch for pupils and staff. We shall reopen for pupils after Christmas on Monday 13th January 2014.

Autumn Term Dates for your Diary 2013/14



Y12 Information Evening	Thursday 24 October 5.45 – 7pm
Half Term	Monday 28 October – Friday 1 November
Parent/Carer Consultation	Thursday 7 November (Evening scheduled appointments 3.45-8pm)
Parent Carer Consultation	Friday 8 November (Scheduled appointments throughout the day)
Year 11 Work Experience	Monday 11 – Friday 22 November
Carol Service & Christmas Dinner	Monday 16 December
End of Term for pupils	Monday 16 December