



# Stormont House School Matters

Our vision

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

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## Year 11 Exams

We returned from half term 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 especially if they are taking an exam.



### Forthcoming exam times and dates:

Monday 21 May	11M preparing for their Art Exam
Tuesday 22 May	11M GCSE Art Exam 9.00am
Wednesday 23 May	11M GCSE Art Exam 9.00am
Thursday 24 May	GCSE Science Unit 4 Exam 9.00am 11P preparing for their Art Exam
Friday 25 May	GCSE Design & Technology Product Design Exam 9.00am 11P GCSE Art Exam 9.00am
Monday 28 May	11P Art Exam 9.00am

## Attendance

Every pupil should attend school regularly; we are pleased to see that in the last half term 31 pupils had more than 95% attendance, with 30 pupils having a 100% attendance record. Well done to those pupils, let's see if we can get that figure higher for this term. Please also be reminded that holidays must not be taken during school time. In some exceptional cases there may be a need, but permission must be always obtained from the Headteacher before doing so. Only essential medical/ dental appointments should be made during school time, and a note or medical card showing the appointment should be seen by the school to authorise the absence. Please try to make routine medical/dental appointments after school or during school holidays.

## Forthcoming School Journeys For the Summer term



Wednesday 16 May Year 7 depart for a 3 day trip to Suntrap, Epping Forest arriving back on Friday 18 May

Monday 21 – Friday 25 May Year 9 will be departing for Edale Activity Centre in the Peak District. This will be a week of outward bound learning experiences including Camping; Climbing and Archery.

Monday 11 June – Friday 15 June Year 8 will be going to Kench Hill

Monday 2 July – Friday 6 July Year 10 going off to France

### Other school day trips

Wednesday 16 May - Year 10 visiting Ragged School Museum

Thursday 17 May 10H visiting the BTEC Science trip Waterworks at Leaside

Friday 18 May – Year 8 attending The Big Dance Event at Clapton Girls Academy

## Check Out our Stormont House Comic Artists!

The club is now full, but if you would like to follow what we do – check our blog

<http://comichouseclub.blogspot.co.uk/>

### Here is what comic book clubs is all about:

Comic book club is about having fun, enjoying drawing and learning a few tricks along the way. We will learn how to warm up the imagination, how to draw emotions and create fantastic, fascinating and fabulous characters. Ultimately, you will create a fully coloured comic page that will become part of the first edition of Stormont House's Comic Book! This blog will share some of your creations and link videos we use in club so you can watch them from home to practice -practice is what will make you a good comic artist!



## Countdown to School Move



**42 Days**  
**1008 hours**  
**60480 minutes** (at time of going to press)



### Dinner Money & Free School Meals

**Reminder**, Dinner money is payable on a Monday morning. Please ensure that your child's name is clearly written on the envelope. Dinner money is £1.70 per day a weekly amount of £8.50.

If your child is at school full-time, you can apply for free school meals if you receive one of 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 Guaranteed 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](http://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. 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.**

### REMEMBER – Stay Safe On-Line - E-Safety Awareness

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, please help them to check their privacy settings. The video link below shows you how to change privacy settings on Facebook. <http://kidsmart.org.uk/skills-school/>

### Term dates for Pupils

Monday 4 June - Friday 8 June – Half term

Monday 11 June pupils return to school after half term

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

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