



# Stormont House School Matters

## Our vision

Achievement for all in a unique world-class school

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## Congratulations to the new Stormont House School Council Reps

School Council elections took place at the end of October before we broke up for half term. The votes have now been counted and the results are now in.

The School Council reps for 2016 - 17 are:

7D	Lula	Lewis
7M	Moaya	Adrian
8A	D'Yah	Kelvin
8M	Paris	Moses
9C	Sandra	Jo Jo
9L	Lauren	Conor
10F	Victoria	Aaron B
10W	Noreen	Owais
11M	Kevin	Titus
11P	Michaela	Joshua
12C	Tia	Nathan
12H	Lorell	George O

A School Council is a representative group of students who have been elected by their peers to represent their views and raise issues with the Senior Leadership and Governors of their school.

A School Council can propose and take forward initiatives and projects on behalf of their peers, and be involved in strategic planning and processes such as the School Development Plan, governing body meetings and staff appointments.

The object of an effective School Council is to help children and young people to:

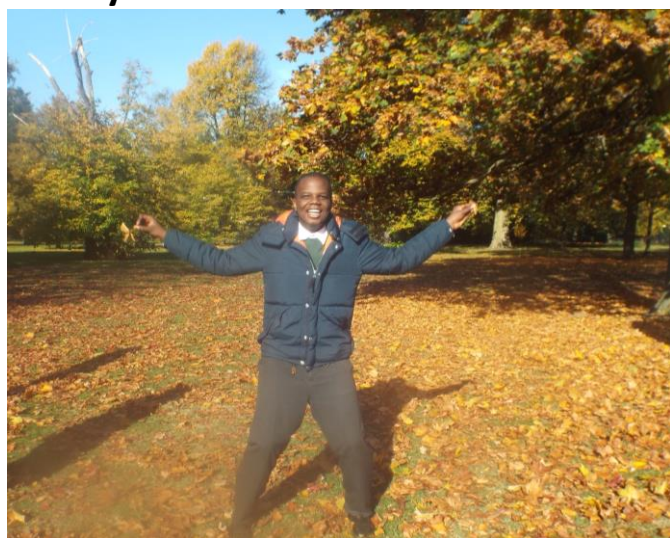
- enjoy and feel empowered by their education
- feel that their school responds to their needs and views
- have the opportunity to let adults know their feelings and opinions about things that affect them

- have a say about decisions, and to play an active role in making their school a better place
- develop life skills through participation

Well Done to everyone who has been elected onto the Stormont House School Council for 2016 / 17.



## Poetry in the Park



On Wednesday 2nd November 9C spent a creative morning in Hyde Park, learning how to use the colours, sounds and scents of Autumn to create poetry. The weather was glorious and the sun was glinting off the Serpentine, making the water sparkle like diamonds. The workshop was led by Alison and Nell from the Royal Parks Education Centre, in a smart new Eco friendly building. The students thought about the changing seasons and the signs of Autumn which they could sense all round them. As soon as they got outside, they collected conkers, acorns and sweet chestnuts. The students threw brown and crunchy leaves up in the air, walked on a bed of golden yellow leaves, and noticed how the sycamore seeds "helicopter" to the ground.

9C made their own collection of descriptive words and wrote these in the outline of a leaf, which they had traced. While listening to some poetry by Michael Rosen, a small group of curious geese crept up behind them and sat down near to Katie, very quietly, to her obvious delight.

After the workshop, 9C enjoyed a picnic lunch sitting on the grass. It was an inspiring trip, the Education Centre staff were very impressed by the manners of the students in 9C. Miss Cross and Mr Ramphul were delighted with the exemplary behaviour and excellent participation shown by all of the students, in the poetry activities as well as on the journey to and from the park.

## Year 7 Prepare for their Shakespeare Debut

Year 7 students have been working hard to prepare for their upcoming performance at Stratford Circus Theatre on Wednesday 16 November. Just before the half term holidays Year 7 visited the theatre to take part in a workshop for their production of *The Tempest*. They worked with a Secondary School from Plaistow to develop their characters and learn some new strategies for their play. Both schools performed an extract for the other school to help develop. Our group were congratulated on their team work and effort! During the visit Year 7 saw the stage where they will perform the show on November 16th. The children are starting to get excited for the dress rehearsal and performance now... Make sure you book your tickets before they get snapped up.



	The Tempest
	Stratford Circus, London
	7:30pm 16th November 2016
	BOOK TICKETS: 0844 357 2625

**FRIDAY 25 NOVEMBER - CONSULTATION DAY**  
**SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED TO STUDENTS - OPEN FOR CONSULTATION**

### Term Dates for your Diary

Visible Training Day	Tuesday 15 November - School closed to students
Consultation Evening /Day	Thursday 24 / Friday 25 November
End of Autumn Term	Wednesday 21 December
Spring Term Start	Tuesday 3 January 2017
Spring Half Term	Monday 13 February to Friday 17 February 2017
End of Spring Term	Thursday 31 March 2017
Summer Term Start	Tuesday 18 April 2017
Summer Half Term	Monday 29 May to Friday 2 June 2017
End of Summer Term	Friday 21 July 2017