

Stormont House School Matters

Our vision

Achievement for all in a unique world-class school

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Week ending 20/05/2022

'I am unique, like everyone else'

Every learner in the school has designed a feather and added it to our Equality & Diversity display, because every individual is welcome in our school community. They have been rewarded for their efforts with a rainbow pin that they can wear on their uniform to show that in our school we are proud of our differences. Look out for new challenges on the display board, coming soon...



Athletics London Youth Games Winners



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On 10th May Mr Hajdrych took 21 students to compete in the Athletics London Youth Games, and we won! Out of 32 London Boroughs the boys came 1st and the girls came 2nd. Well done to Reon, Enitan, Taya, Destiny, Parris, Gabrielle, Jose, Darryl, Mohammed, Moaya, Zac, Jaidon, Anthony, DJ and Angelina. Amazing achievement!

English Touring Opera

On Thursday afternoon, Year 7 had the wonderful treat of a visit from the English Touring Opera who performed a show

“How to find my name”

This was an interactive opera performed by four soloist and two musicians, who took us all on a journey from a rainy city, a rain forest, under the sea and even up to space to find the lost name.

It was a magical musical journey, with imaginative set and props. Students were all invited to take part in parts of the show including conducting the “rain forest” animals or flying in the billowing silver clouds of space.

There was a musical octopus whose tentacles produced amazing tunes. Every student had a go. We were proud of the way everyone participated and their attention was amazing.

Everyone appreciated the show, which left us humming the tunes.



ENGLISH TOURING OPERA

Pictures from the Year 11 Food Tech practical final exam pieces



**Parris' Tomato Pasta
w/fresh Bread rolls**



**Korin's Pepperoni &
Vegetable Pizza
w/fresh Potato salad**



**Jose's Chicken and
Vegetable Stir Fry**



**Anthony's: Veg &
Prawn Stir Fry**



Darryl's Chicken Curry



**Nicholas's Salmon Pasta
w/fresh Bread rolls**



Deniz's Vegetable Thai Curry



**Alfie's: Sweet
Potato Curry**



**Gabby's Spaghetti
Bolognese w/fresh Bread**

Art department update

Expressive Arts has started again this term with students selecting their own options and being in mixed year group classes.

Ms Wallis' 'Upcycling' group have started off with Tie-dye! Students have been learning how to create different patterns and then creating and dying t-shirts and socks in a range of colours. Great job everyone!



Art Student of the Month: Diego in Yr 7

Diego is extremely diligent and gives 110% in every lesson. His artwork is considered and he demonstrates an excellent use of materials. He shows a real talent in the subject. Here he has created a beautiful print inspired by shells.



D.T student of the month: Charlie in Yr 10

Charlie has been fully engaged in her DT project this term, creating her glasses stand from developing her design ideas. Positively asking challenging questions to staff and working independently and following instructions properly. Well done!



Parent Notices

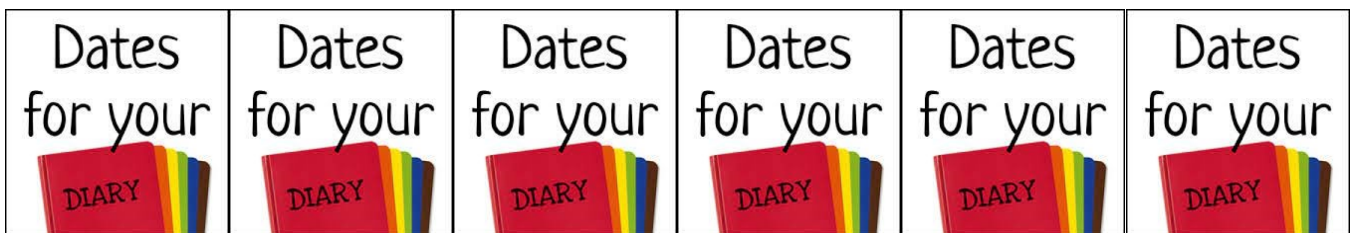
Attendance and reporting your child's absence:

It is a legal requirement that students attend school, on time, every day, and any absences are reported no later than 8.30am on the school absence line 020 8985 4245 (SELECT OPTION 1). Frequent absence from school can significantly impact students' progress both academically and socially. To reinforce the importance of attendance we will be including unauthorised absences as one of the criteria for participation on reward outings awarded to recognise positive attitudes to learning, school and behaviour. We would like all our students to be able to participate in these events throughout the year and so ask for your support in ensuring your child attends school every day to be able to fully benefit from everything school has to offer.

Please remember to keep us up to date with contact details, it is essential we are able to contact home in an emergency.

Warmer weather

As the weather gets warmer please ensure your child brings a clean, reusable water bottle to school with their full name clearly marked on it. Could you ensure apply sun screen to your child in the morning before they come to school.



- **Monday 23 – Friday 27 May** - Year 12 Virtual Work Experience week
- **Thursday 26 May** - “Information Station” – Parent Engagement Event 4.00 – 7.00pm
- **Friday 27 May** – Finish for half term break 3.00pm
- **Monday 6 June** – INSET Day (school closed to students)
- **Tuesday 7 June** – Students return to school
- **Wednesday 8 – Thursday 9 June** – Year 12 DofE Qualifying Expedition
- **Thursday 23 June** - Year 11 Record of Achievement Event
- **Friday 24 June** – Year 12 Record of Achievement Event



INFORMATION STATION

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SEND Opportunities, Advice & Support Event

DATE: THURSDAY 26 MAY 2022

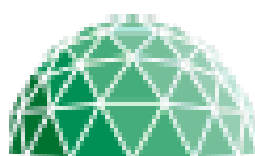
TIME: 4-7PM

VENUE: STORMONT HOUSE SCHOOL
DOWNS PARK RD
E5 8NP

INFORMATION STATION is a 'One Stop Shop' of Information and Support for Parents & Carers of Young People with SEND. The event includes:

- In-person access to Information, Advice & Support from a variety of SEND services and Inclusive Organisations.
- A range of FREE useful SEND resources linked to the 4 Preparing for Adulthood Outcomes to take home.
- Practical Workshops - Applying for DLA, PIP, Zip Cards, Blue Badges etc.
- Tours of Stormont House School & Student Work Exhibits
- FREE Refreshments and lots more!

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For more information contact Stormont House on: 020 8985 4245
To register to attend the event visit:
www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/327998360927

'See you in Stokey' Art trail



See YOU in Stokey - Invisible People.
Art Trail
2nd -10th of July 2022 in N16

Invisible People is an **inclusive** exhibition. We are showcasing work by people who feel invisible, marginalised or who are disabled or have a learning disability, whose contribution is not recognised. The art will be displayed in windows in independent shops and cafes in **Stoke Newington Hackney**.

Art work will be for sale with 100% of proceeds going to the artists.

Pieces donated by artists will be sold by auction to raise money for the **Stoke Newington Business Association for Invisible People 2023**.

Art Trail curated by **Henny Beaumont** Artist in Residence for **British Institute of Learning Disabilities**.

A series of **creative workshops** and a **launch party** will take place in N16. **DTBC**

Image Descriptions

Kate Revere - Revere the Residence & Co-chair of **See you in Stokey**, **Beth Epstein** Artist and employee of Revere the Residence and **Henny Beaumont** - Artist in Residence at the Institute of Learning Disability.

Team Revere

Climate Change Wall hanging / Rug entered for **Invisible People** by **Florence Poppy Deary**, titled 'Sun Burn with Friends

Contact details: Kate Revere co-chair of Stoke Newington Business Association
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Tips To Protect Your Child

APPLY 'RESTRICTED MODE'

Restricted mode helps to hide any mature or unpleasant videos from your children. It uses YouTube's own automated system & looks at what other users flag as inappropriate content. It must be enabled in the settings menu on each individual device.

CHANGE WHO CAN SEE VIDEOS

You can change who can view your child's content in the settings. Options include Public (available to all), Private (only available to people you share it with & cannot be shared) or Unlisted (available to people you share it with & can be shared further).

BLOCK CONCERNING USERS

To help protect your child from cyber-bullies, harassment or persistent offensive comments, you can 'block' individual users. Doing so hides your child's videos from the user & stops the user being able to contact your child in any way.

CUSTOMISE THEIR EXPERIENCE

Influence & control what your child watches using features such as Playlists (your videos play continuously rather than videos YouTube recommends) & Subscriptions (you choose channels your child can watch). It's also good to turn off auto play by toggling the blue button alongside the 'Up Next' title when viewing a video.

CREATE A 'FAMILY' GOOGLE ACCOUNT

Create a Google account to be used by the whole family. This will allow you to monitor exactly what your child is watching, uploading & sharing. Plus, your child's YouTube page will display their recently watched videos, searches, recommended videos & suggested channels.

GET YOUR OWN ACCOUNT

Create your own account so you can explore features yourself. Learn how to flag inappropriate videos, how to moderate comments & how to block users. This will help you feel more confident when providing advice & guidance to your children.

BE MINDFUL OF CYBERBULLYING

Once your child has posted a video, a worldwide audience can see it. Strangers may choose to comment on the video, both positively & negatively. So, be careful to check comments & any other interactions your child is making through the platform.

GET TO KNOW POPULAR CHANNELS

It's good to know which channels are most popular with your children. Some of the most popular channels right now are: PewDiePie, NigaHiga, Zoella, KSI, Jenna Marbles, Markiplier, Smosh, ThatcherJoe & Casper Lee.

DON'T ASSUME YOUR CHILD IS TOO YOUNG

YouTube and YouTube Kids are quickly becoming the chosen viewing platforms for children between the ages of 3-15 & it's likely this trend will only increase. It's also possible children will become familiar with the platform at a younger & younger age. So it's important to understand the positives & negatives of the platform.

What parents need to know about YOUTUBE

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT EASY TO ACCESS

Any child with a Gmail account can sign into YouTube & access videos. Some content is flagged 'age-restricted', but the platform relies on self-verification, meaning kids can get around the rules with a fake date of birth. This could enable access to vulgar, violent & dangerous videos.



USERS CAN PRIVATELY CONTACT YOUR CHILD

When your child is signed-in to YouTube with their Gmail account, there are various ways they can send & receive messages. This could be via the messages icon, or via the 'About' tab. There is scope here for users who your child does not know to make contact.



YOUTUBE SUGGESTS RELATED CONTENT

YouTube will often 'auto play' videos based on your child's viewing habits. The aim is to show related & appropriate content. But the problem is: it's possible your child will be exposed to inappropriate content that isn't accurately related.



'CHALLENGE VIDEOS' CAN GO TOO FAR

Challenge videos refer to a stunt you're encouraged to recreate & film. Many challenge videos can be harmless & for a good cause, like the Ice Bucket Challenge. But some are dangerous & even life threatening, such as the Bird Box Challenge.



SHARING VIDEOS RISKS YOUR CHILD'S PRIVACY

If your child has a Google account, they can upload their own videos. To do this, they must create a personal profile page known as a 'YouTube Channel'. The videos uploaded here can be viewed, commented on & shared by anyone. This could put your child's privacy at risk.



National Online Safety
#WakeUpWednesday

Meet our expert

Pete Badh is a writer with over 10+ years in research and analysis. Working within a specialist area for West Yorkshire Police, Pete has contributed work which has been pivotal in successfully winning high profile cases in court as well as writing as a subject matter expert for industry handbooks.



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