

Stormont House School

Our school vision: Achievement for all in a unique world class school



Preparing for life after school:

Y10 Internal Work Experience Interviews

We are very proud to announce that all the Year 10 pupils have been successful in their interviews for internal work experience placements. Since September they have been preparing for their interviews which took place on 17 November. The interviews were conducted by our mentors from Williams Lea. Pupils looked smart and proud as they went off to be interviewed. The mentors reported that all pupils conducted themselves in a mature and professional manner. The pupils are now gainfully employed on a voluntary basis as one of the following: lunch assistants, breakfast assistants, art assistants, Food Tech assistants, DT assistants, gardening assistants and fruit break assistants. As the Year 10 pupils know, the smooth running of the school is only achieved by them undertaking these jobs and we are very grateful to them for giving up their precious break times. **Thank you Year 10!!!**



Year 7 Family Christmas Social Event

On Wednesday 7 December we are holding a Year 7 Family Christmas Social Event, from 5.00pm to 6.30pm. All Year 7 parents/carers are being asked to bring in a favourite food dish from home to add to our food tasting table. Special guest, Father Christmas, will be visiting at some point in the evening to deliver gifts to the Year 7 pupils. Staff members will be organising Christmas games and quizzes for the event.



Football Tournament Hackney Community College

Last Wednesday a team of 6 pupils from different year groups at Stormont House went to Hackney Community College where they competed against teams from other schools such as Phoenix and Horizon. George, John, Jenny Joe, Josh and Timothy showed strong team spirit along with devastating football skills to put in performances which made Stormont House very proud.



This was the second leg of the tournament, Stormont House teams performed exceptionally well in both rounds.



Reminder: Please make sure we have the correct contact details for you on our records in case of emergency. We need to have at least two emergency contact phone numbers. Also please remember if you move or change your telephone number to let us know immediately.

Connecting Classrooms across the World

In their Humanities lessons Year 7 are taking part in a very exciting project called 'Connecting Classrooms'. This is a joint project with other schools in Hackney and also in Vietnam and Taiwan. As part of this project Year 7 will send a video of the sights of London to our partner schools in Vietnam and Taiwan. We are planning to complete part of the filming in December by taking pupils on a trip into London.

To help them with this we have arranged to go by bus through the City of London, walk across the Millennium Bridge and then take the river boat from Tate Modern to Tate Britain.

The pupils will be able to see and record many famous London sites, including St Pauls Cathedral, the River Thames, Tate Modern, South Bank and the London Eye, and of course the Houses of Parliament and Big Ben



Please pay Dinner Money on Mondays

Please pay dinner money on Monday morning ensuring that your child's name is clearly written on the envelope. Dinner money is £1.70 per day or a weekly amount of £8.50.

Free School Meals Should You Be Claiming?

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.

School Closure on Public Sector Strike Day Wednesday 30 November 2011

As you may be aware, members of the NUT, NASUWT, ATL, Unison, Unite and the NAHT will be taking strike action tomorrow Wednesday, 30 November. The number of staff taking strike action means that this **school, in common with many others, will be closed to pupils on that day.** We apologise for any inconvenience that this may cause you.

School will reopen at the usual time on Thursday 1 December.

School Dates for your Diary - Autumn Term 2011

Christmas Performances	Tuesday 13 December 2011 (2pm)
Reward Outings	Wednesday 14 December 2011
Christmas Dinner for pupils	Thursday 15 December 2011
Christmas Carol Service	Friday 16 December 2011 (11am)
End of term (Pupils leave at 1.15pm)	Friday 16 December 2011

More details of the final week's events will be in next week's School Matters

Pupils return for the Spring term on Wednesday 4 January 2012