



Stormont House School Matters

Our vision

Achievement for all in a unique world-class school

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Important Reminders

- Half term Monday 29 October to Friday 2 November (school closed to all pupils)
- Thursday 8 November is Parent/Carer Consultation Evening (4-6.30pm) (scheduled appointments)
- Friday 9 November Parent/Carer Consultation Day (scheduled appointments for parent/carers with pupils) **(Please note school is closed to all pupils unless they are accompanying a parent/carers for an Annual Review)**
- Monday 12 November – Friday 23 November **Year 11** external work experience.

School Council Elections

Stormont House has an active School Council, which meets approximately every three weeks. The Council consists of representatives from each tutor group. Issues that arise in class are taken forward to Council meetings, where representatives discuss and try to resolve these matters of concern for their fellow pupils. The School Council is facilitated by a member of the teaching staff.

On Friday 26th October the pupils will be taking part in the School Council Year Representative elections. The nomination process will be taking place on Friday 19th October, when the pupils can either nominate themselves or another classmate for the position of School Council Year Representative. The pupils have to choose one girl and one boy from their year group, who will then represent them for one academic year. The rep will lead class discussions and relate their year groups' ideas and opinions to the whole School Council. The result of the elections will be announced in the whole school assembly which takes place on Tuesday 6th November.

Menu for Next Week

School Lunch Menu Week 1

MONDAY

Meat or Roasted Vegetable Pizza
Potato Wedges and Sweetcorn
Jacket Potato with Tuna
Salad and Rolls
Semolina or Fruit Salad

TUESDAY

Chicken Marengo or Mexican Bean Casserole
Rice, Carrots and Broccoli
Jacket Potato with Cheese
Salad and Rolls
Melon or Fruit Jelly

WEDNESDAY

Greek Lamb Casserole or Vegetarian Quorn Casserole
Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans
Jacket potato with Coleslaw and Beans
Salad and Rolls
Vanilla Sponge and Custard or Yoghurt

THURSDAY

Roast Pork with Apple Sauce or Lentil Roast
Roasted Potatoes, Cabbage
Jacket Potato with Beans and Cheese
Salad and Rolls
Apple Crumble and Custard or Ice Cream

FRIDAY

Giant Fish Fingers or Vegetarian Fingers
Oven Chips, Peas or Baked Beans
Jacket Potato with various fillings
Chocolate cake with chocolate sauce
Fruit Salad.

Williams Lea Mentors Visit

There was great excitement on Thursday 11 October when the Mentors from Williams Lea came for to meet year 10 for the first time. We entertained 13 mentors to tea, coffee and biscuits. First we were shown a power point about the work we will undertake with them throughout the coming year. Then some of us gave a guided tour of our school while the others engaged in entertaining conversations and found out a bit more about individual mentors. We ended the session with us all gathering together to ask questions about their jobs. We look forward to their next visit on the 25 October when we begin our interview preparation for our Internal Work Experience. It's a busy time in Work Related Learning lessons!

Year 11 prepare for External Work Experience

Year 11 are busy preparing for external work experience which takes place from 12 – 23 November. Most of the pupils know where they will be working. Placements include working in local shops, a garage, a couple of local primary schools, local solicitors, a music studio and a hairdressing Salon! All the pupils are very excited and are currently contacting their placement provider for interviews. We will keep you all up to date as to how we are getting on!

School Life Connexions Advisor

The role of the Connexions Service is to help young people to decide what they want to do when they leave school, and then help them into college and later into a job or on to university. The Connexions service is available to help and advise young people with special needs until they reach the age of 25. Shaalinie Sivalingham is our Connexions Advisor; she visits the school once a week working either in classrooms or with individual pupils. Shaalinie also attends annual reviews for pupils in years 9, 10 and 11 and attends our Consultation Day and Open evenings.

You can contact Shaalinie through the school, or direct through the Connexions Centre at 65 Dalston Lane, London E8 2NG. Telephone 020 7014 7400. Email: Shaalinie.sivalingham@prosepcts.co.uk

Shaalinie Sivalingham
Connexions Personal Adviser



Information & Advice for Young people

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, 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/>

Autumn Term School Events 2012/13

Mon 29 October–Fri 2 November
Thursday 8 November
Friday 9 November

Mon 12–Fri 23 November
Monday 17 December
Wednesday 19 December
Thursday 20 December
Monday 7 January 2013

Half term

Parent Carer Consultation Evening (scheduled appointments 4-8pm)

Parent Carer Consultation Day (scheduled appointments for parents/carers with pupils)

Work Experience (Year 11)

Christmas Performances

Pupils' Christmas Dinner

School Closes for Christmas Holidays at 1.15pm

Spring term begins pupils return to school



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