

# **Stormont House School Matters**

Our vision

Achievement for all in a unique world-class school

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# Meet more of our Trailblazers Success at Hackney Trailblazers 2012



Previously we told you about the achievements of thirteen pupils who were recognised at the Trailblazers 2012 Awards, and gave details of their awards. This week we are focussing on the last of these in the categories of **Creative Arts** won by Aaron Y10 and Brandon Y9 also a team award for **Outstanding Team** which was won by our rowing team:



Aaron Y10

Aaron is an extremely confident artist and has recently won a competition based on the Olympics organised by 'Arts Light London', based on the work of neon light artist Ron Haselden, the competition was open to 6 schools from the five Olympic boroughs. Once drawn all of the art work was exhibited and judged by a panel, Aaron's drawing of a diver was selected and has over the last few months been turned into an animated neon light structure which is being made ready for opening at Diespeker Wharf in Islington.



Brandon has a natural talent in Art. He is always eager to express his creativity by learning to use different materials and techniques. He is not afraid to try out new ideas and take risks to create new and exciting art work. Brandon's self-confidence has grown over the last three years at Stormont House; he is now a student that believes in his own creative ability.

#### **Brandon Y9**

#### **Outstanding Team Award: Stormont House Indoor Rowing Team**

Our indoor rowing team has achieved beyond all our expectations and represented Hackney in the London Youth Games Adaptive Indoor Rowing Competition where they won the team gold medal. They worked together as a team, encouraging one another's performances, urging one another to do the very best that they could in the competition. The team members were:

Shaquille (Y8), Nikita (Y9), Tori (Y9), Edward (Y9), Chan (Y10), Ayisha (Y10), and Shauna (Y11)



#### **Countdown to School Move**



50 Days1212 Hours72730 minutes (at time of going to press)

#### **Reminders:**

- Friday 4 May School is closed to all pupils for staff training
- Summer term finishes earlier than usual on Friday 13 July at 1.15pm

### **Upcoming events at Stormont House School**

- Monday 30 April 5.30 7.00pm Teaching & Learning Committee
- Tuesday 8 May 5.30 8.00pm Governing Body meeting



# Trailblazers visit to the House of Lords for Afternoon Tea!

Five of our Trailblazers (Shauna and Eversley from Y11, Mary, Billy and Ricky from Y10) have been selected to have afternoon tea at the House of Lords on Tuesday 1 May. They will be accompanied by Mr McDonnell and Mrs Napier. I am sure they will have a wonderful time!

## Year 7 visit St Joseph's Hospice

Last Thursday 7W began visiting St. Joseph's Hospice in Mare Street. The class has been divided into two groups. Each week one group goes to the Hospice to spend some time with the Day Patients. Before each visit the pupils prepare a topic that they will talk about. They also read and complete different activities. The pupils have benefitted already from the visits. Their confidence is growing and is helping them with their preparations with their Skype calls to Taiwan as part of the Connecting Classrooms project.



Credo relaxing with a day patient



Joe Y7 expressing his views

## **Term dates for Pupils**

Friday 4 May – School closed to all pupils for staff training

Monday 7 May – Bank Holiday

Monday 4 June - Friday 8 June - Half term

Monday 11 June pupils return to school after half term

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Monday 10 September – pupils return for the start of the Autumn term at our temporary site at Mount Pleasant

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