

## Stormont House School

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

### *Happy New Year!*

*The staff at Stormont House School would like to wish all pupils, parents and carers a happy and peaceful new year.*

Chuc M Naya Saal

Mubbarak Houg Tan Nien

Yeni Yiliniz Kutlu Olsun

Szczesliwego Nowego Roku

Feliz Ano ~Nuevo

Naya Saal Mubbarak Ho

Beannachtat Na Hathbhliana



Shuvo Nabo Barsho

Xin Nian Kuai Le

Bonne Annee

Felice anno nuovo

Nutan Varshbhinandan

Feliz Ano Novo

Iyo Sanad Cusub Oo Fiican!

Blwyddyn Newydd da

### **A New Year and a New School!**

I am delighted to inform pupils, parents and carers that the government have agreed to fund the new Stormont House School, which will be built on our existing site. So, this year will be even busier and more exciting than many others, and we will be planning as carefully as possible to minimise any disruption to your child's education.

Before the new school can be built, we will have to move everything to our 'decant' site in July 2012, where we will stay until Christmas 2013. During this time we will be at Mount Pleasant Lane, E5 9JG. At the moment the site is being used by Our Lady's Convent High School while their new school is completed.

Because of the amount of time it will take to move out of this building and into the decant school, including repairs and testing at Mount Pleasant, we will need to finish the summer term for pupils approximately 1 week early, and start again in September approximately 1 week late. I am sorry that this will affect the length of the school year for your child.

**Best wishes for the New Year**  
**Kevin McDonnell**  
**Headteacher**

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## Please Note:

There will be no after school clubs this week. After school clubs will begin again next week commencing Monday 9 January.

### Sporting News

#### Hackney Indoor Rowing Competition



On Friday 13 January some of our pupils will be attending Skinners Academy to take part in the Hackney Rowing Competition. Our Rowers already have a strong reputation so we wish them well.

#### Basketball- Paralympics Tournament

On Tuesday 17 January some of our pupils will be taking part in the Paralympics tournament at Hackney Community College- sPACE.

Watch this space for the results!

### Art Lights London – GAMES Neon Sculpture

In April / May 2010 the present Year 10 took part in the 'GAMES' Olympic art project organised by the Art Lights London team. They worked with a neon light artist called Ron Haselden, the pupils participated in two half day workshops, they were asked to produce a sequential strip of drawings on the theme of the GAMES. Five other schools worked on this project, one from each of the five Olympic boroughs. All of the pupil's drawings were exhibited at Stratford Circus. Ron and a panel from Art Lights London shortlisted 10 drawings.

The winning drawing was produced by Aaron in Y10 his drawing has been made into a neon light installation by Ron Haselden. This is being built onto a crane and will be erected at Diespecker Wharf in Islington in a small section of canal between City Basin and Islington tunnel. Art Lights London has organised an opening event on February 2nd, all pupils who took part in the project are being invited to attend the lighting ceremony.

The ceremony starts at 5.00pm, Peter Waterfield, a member of the British Olympic Diving team will be switching the lights on at 6.30pm after a question and answer session with Ron Haselden.

If you would like to see what the light structure will look like please log onto our school website [www.stormonhouse.hackney.sch.uk](http://www.stormonhouse.hackney.sch.uk)

### School Dates for your Diary – Spring Term 2012

#### Parent/Carer Meetings This Term

- Tuesday 17 January 6 - 8pm – KS4 Careers Evening (Year 10 and 11)
- Tuesday 28 February - 5.30-8pm KS3 Parent/Carer Evening

### Spring Term dates for Pupils

Spring Term starts on Wednesday 4 January and ends on Friday 30 March with the following closures:

Tuesday 3 January Staff Training day – school closed to all pupils

Friday 28 January – school closes at 1.15pm for staff training

Monday 13 February – Friday 17 February- Half term

Friday 30 March – End of term – school closes at 1.15pm

Tuesday 17 April – Pupils return to school for the Summer term

