

Stormont House School Matters

Our vision

Achievement for all in a unique world-class school

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Kench Hill - Year 8







On Monday 25 April Year 8 travelled into Kent to undertake their 5 day residential at Kench Hill in Tenterden. The group were accompanied by Ms Cross, Ms Burrows, Ms Elford, Ms Clements and Mr Calvin

We are very proud of the Year 8 students who spent a delightful week at Kench Hill last week.

On Monday we met Sandi, Chris and the team and sorted out our rooms. We had an afternoon of orienteering with Chris. Shane was a great pioneer. Then we had a session meeting the guinea pig Whizzer, with Sandi. You should have heard the noises he made when he met Katie! The children were wonderful with him. On Tuesday we made bread rolls and did some gardening, tasting fresh pea shoots, mint, oregano and we even planted some lettuces. Ms Burrows helped the children to make clay objects, while everyone else made bread rolls. Ryan proved to be a master baker. We had an adventurous walk in the bluebell woods, where Seyi danced and sang. That evening we had a bonfire with marshmallows and some lively songs, creating a Kench Hill Folk Festival vibe. On Wednesday we swam at Ashford in the leisure pool with lively splashing. In the afternoon we visited Mediaeval Bodiam Castle and dressed as knights in shining armour. Ayadh and Seyi were quite a sight. We learned all about bows and different types of arrows. While we were there, it snowed! On Thursday we went to Camber sands. "The sand felt nice in between my toes." to quote Lauren. The sun blazed down and we even paddled. We spent the afternoon at the Rare Breed Centre and held rabbits, chicks, stroked goats and watched a falconry display. That night was the disco. Many prizes were won for great dance moves. Reluctantly we packed our bags on Friday morning before a raft making activity. It was great to see everyone working well as a team. Nearly everyone made it across the lake without sinking. Thank you to everyone who made this trip possible and so successful.

Once again the staff at Kench Hill praised our students for their good manners and behaviour. We were all impressed with the way everyone helped each other and made it such a great week.



Duke of Edinburgh – Gold Award Ceremony – St James's Palace



On Tuesday 15 March 2016 Ms Thackaberry represented Stormont House School at the Duke of Edinburgh award ceremony at St James's Palace.

Ms Thackaberry received our award for becoming a directly licensed centre for the delivery of the Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme.

Our award was presented by Brooke Kinsella MBE who is a Trustee of the Ben Kinsella Trust and Peter Fleet who is the director of the London region.

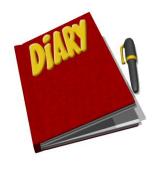
Jack Petchey - March 2016



Ty has been put forward for the Jack Petchey Award for March by his form tutor – Mr Mole.

Ty has continued to make excellent progress both socially and academically. Ty is able to state his point of view on subjects other than his own personal interests and can also respond to questions that require him to back up his point of view with examples. Ty is able to express his ideas confidently is keen to share is idea with his class. He is a patient and attentive learner who never disrupts others learning and is rarely distracted by others. He is a trusted and respected by staff and pupils alike.

Dates for Your Diary



Summer Term

09 – 13/05/16 Edale Residential Year 9 13/05/16 Y7 London Transport Museum

18 – 20/05/16 Woodrow High House Residential Year 7

16/05/16 NO Cricket Club

24/05/16 London Youth Games Football – Hackney Marshes

30/5/16 to 03/06/16 - HALF TERM

24/06/16 INSET Day (School is closed to students)