

## Stormont House School

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

### *Meet more of our Trailblazers*



#### Success at Hackney Trailblazers 2012

Last week we told you about the achievements of thirteen pupils who were recognised at the Trailblazers 2012 Awards, and gave details of two award winners. This week we are focussing on , Ismail & Matthew in Year 11 who both received recognition in the category of **Achieving Against All Odds**



**Ismail Ali Y11**

Ismail started Year 7 at another school and came to Stormont House School in Year 8, which was a challenge in itself. He had to develop friendships in a class that already knew each other, overcome social communication difficulties and start to believe in his own ability to achieve. Ismail learnt through endeavour that he does have the strength of character to succeed. Recently he undertook two weeks' external work experience, the first week at Browns Restaurant in Covent Garden and the second at Paternoster Chop House near St Paul's Cathedral. He received outstanding reports from both placements, with both commending him on his desire to learn new skills. Since this Ismail has become more self-confident and he now believes in his own ability to become a chef.



**Matthew O'Driscoll Y11**

Matthew joined Stormont House School in Year 9 at first he found it hard to fit in, even though he liked the school. Matthew worked hard to overcome the difficulties surrounding school life, and his attendance has now soared. Last summer Matthew overcame significant obstacles and succeeded in going on his first residential school journey; five days in Boulogne. He made sure that he enjoyed every aspect of the trip. Matthew completed a very successful two week work experience at Hackney City Farm, where the staff found him to be a very conscientious young man who undertook every task assigned to him to the best of his ability. Matthew is now a very well-respected member of his class who is recognised for his many positive qualities, not least his keen sense of humour!

#### Term dates for Pupils

Friday 30 March – End of Spring term – school closes at 1.15pm  
Tuesday 17 April – Pupils return to school for the Summer term  
Monday 4 June - Friday 8 June – Half term  
Monday 11 June - Pupils return to school after half term

**Please Note:** School will close to pupils earlier than the original end of Summer term date to prepare for demolition! Please watch this space for further details.



## *School Lunch Menu*

### *Week 2*

In the last school survey some parents / carers asked for details of our school meals. We operate a three week 'rolling' menu, although this is in the process of being reviewed for next term, the current menu for next week is reproduced opposite. There are usually three choices (always at least one vegetarian) of main meal, plus jacket potatoes and salads available each day. Dessert is usually a pudding / cake or fruit, sometimes we serve jelly and occasionally ice cream! Having choices can sometimes be difficult as some days everyone seems to want the same thing, and unfortunately by the time the last group go to collect their meal the choice may be limited. The school council are involved in putting forward suggestions for how this can be resolved and are also suggesting menu options.

### **WEEK 2**

#### **MONDAY**

Shepherd's Pie or Mung Bean Pie or Mushroom Stroganoff  
Peas, Tomatoes, Boiled Potatoes  
Jacket Potato with Tuna Sweetcorn  
Bread and 4 Salads  
Ring Doughnut & Custard or Peaches or Fresh Fruit

#### **TUESDAY**

Chilli Con Carne or Butter Bean Bolognese or Vegetable Curry  
Swede and Baby Carrots  
Jacket Potato with Coleslaw & Beans  
Bread and 4 Salads  
Dorset Apple Cake & Custard or Yoghurt or Fresh Fruits

#### **WEDNESDAY**

Fish Kedgeree or Chilli Bean Casserole or Spinach & Okra Rice  
Sweetcorn  
Jacket Potato with Cheese & Baked Beans  
Bread and 4 Salads  
Rhubarb Crumble & Custard or Fresh Fruits or Fruit Bowl

#### **THURSDAY**

Roast Beef or Lentil Roast or Yorkshire Pudding  
Spring Greens Moroccan Lemon Cous Cous  
Roast Potatoes  
Jacket Potato with Tuna Sweetcorn  
Bread and 4 salads  
Carrot Cake & Custard or Fresh Fruit Salad or Fresh Fruits

#### **FRIDAY**

Steamed Fish or Cauliflower Cheese or Bean Tagine  
New Potatoes Peas  
Jacket Potato with Pilchards  
Bread and 4 Salads  
Chocolate Cake & Chocolate Sauce or Fresh Fruit Salad or Fresh Fruits

## **Stormont House Classical Road Show at Cadogan Hall**

Some of our Year 7 pupils, along with two special guests from Years 8 and 9, took part in this year's Classical Road Show at the Cadogan Hall in Sloane Square on Monday afternoon. The children have been learning songs to sing along with hundreds of other children who were accompanied by the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra. 'Dreamtime Tales' is a musical which tells the story of the ship Endeavour sailing across the world to 'discover' Australia. The performance featured solo virtuoso didgeridoo player, an amazing piccolo player and clarinettist who also played the bass clarinet. Cadogan Hall was simply spectacular! The stage was beautifully lit with the orchestra placed across it and with beautiful back lighting on the scenery. The pupils were a credit to our school and sang brilliantly.



**Stormont House pupils outside Cadogan Hall**

### **Royal Philharmonic Orchestra Performing 'Dreamtime Tales'**

