

# Stormont House School Matters



**STORMONT HOUSE SCHOOL**  
achievement for all

## Our vision

Achievement for all in a unique world-class school

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## Outward Bound in the Peak District - Year 9 Residential to Edale YHA



On Monday 30 April Year 9 set out on quite a miserable day to travel to Edale YHA in Derbyshire. They had a very long journey but everyone was in great spirits, looking forward to the week ahead. Edale YHA is in the centre of the Peak District in the High Peaks. The students were welcomed to the centre by their instructors and were shown to Kinder Cottage where they would be staying for 5 days.

The group went straight into activities, the first being a night hike which showed them the countryside around the centre. Over the next few days the students experienced the following activities: Canoeing / Weaseling / Problem Solving / Raft Building / Abseiling / Treasure Hunt / Archery / Caving / Orienteering / High Ropes.

The students had the most fantastic time, all the staff were incredibly impressed by how fearless they all were and how hard they all tried in every activity. The students' favourite activities were abseiling where they had to descend from a viaduct over a river and weaselling where they all had to squeeze through small spaces in the rocks spread across areas of the Peak District!



Year 9 were all so polite, excited and enthusiastic about the activities and the instructors absolutely loved working with them. They particularly commented on how much progress they saw in all of the Year 9's in one week and how they had all opened up, and challenged themselves!

Ms Matthews, Ms Elford, Mr Soetan, Mr Calvin and Ms Bunbury would all like to thank the Year 9 students for making the residential journey such a wonderful week!!

As you can see from the pictures, the students had an amazing time - parents and carers will be able to see more wonderful pictures and film footage on the school web site.



## Well Done Year 9



## The Apollo Orchestra Land in Stormont House School



We are really pleased to once again be working with the Apollo Orchestra on their 'Schools Music Project'. Our Year 8's will be working with the orchestra over the summer term to introduce them to the different members of the orchestra, which will include: a string quartet, brass ensemble and woodwind quartet.

The orchestra works with 1100 children from 19 primary schools and Stormont House School, the schools are spread across Hackney, Haringey, Tower Hamlets, Waltham Forest and Camden.

Our students will be able to experience 4 classroom sessions spread over the summer term and a symphony orchestra concert at Hackney Empire.

The Apollo Music project transforms the lives of children through music. The musicians work with the students to introduce them to a wide range of live music; students are actively encouraged to participate. The orchestra have found that through the project students' self-confidence and levels of concentration improve greatly. Our students will also be able to experience high-quality performances both in the classroom and at a concert hall.

### Parenting Programme Update - Summer 2018

Each term we receive information from SENDIAGS (SEND Information, Advice & Guidance Service) regarding the parenting programmes which are taking place in Hackney. The link to the summer activities which are taking place is:

<https://www.learningtrust.co.uk/sites/default/files/document/Parenting Programmes in Hackney.pdf>

The link directs you to information about CAMHS Café, Strengthening Families - Strengthening Communities, ASD parents coffee mornings, First Steps' Triple P Parenting Group, Cygnet group, Parents As Partners and Empowerment for Parents. All the information you need to sign up for activities is contained in the booklet via the above link. If you need further information please contact Ann Tayler Children's Centre, 1-13 Triangle Road, off Westgate Street, London E8 3RP / Telephone: 020 7275 6036 / Team E-mail: SENDIAGS@learningtrust.co.uk

Local Offer - information on local services and support for children and young people 0-25 with SEND: [www.hackneylocaloffer.co.uk](http://www.hackneylocaloffer.co.uk)



### Term Dates for your Diary

Year 10 Visit to the Houses of Parliament	Monday 14/05/18
Half Term	28/05/18 to 01/06/18
Year 12 D of E Qualifying Expedition	Wednesday 13 and Thursday 14 /06/18
Year 11 Record of Achievement	Thursday 21/06/18
Year 12 Leavers Event	Friday 22/06/18
Year 10 France Residential	02/07/18 to 06/07/18
Year 6 Transition Day	Thursday 05/07/18
Lanya Junior High Visiting Stormont	09/07/18 to 13/07/18
Reward Outing Day for Year 7-10	Thursday 19/07/18
Last Day of Summer Term - School closes @ 1.20pm	Friday 20/07/18