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TERM HIGHLIGHTS

Trip to Edinburgh!

Some of our music and drama students went on an end of year trip to Edinburgh to perform and soak up the culture. Our students were awesome and did Stokey proud, and we received lots of positive feedback for their performances.







Pre-loved uniform stall success

This term, some of our students, in collaboration with Mr Harvey, organised a 'pre-loved uniform stall' that was set up by them at community evening and Year 6 induction day. It was really well received by parents and helped to reduce the school's carbon footprint by reusing old uniform. They also raised £130 through parent donations, which will go towards providing uniform.

SNS community, thank you!

We would like to extend our deepest thanks for your incredible generosity. Since September 2024, you have contributed an incredible £4,700 through the General School Donation, and we are truly grateful for your continued support.

Your contributions have made a real difference—helping to fund places for the Year 7 Residential Trip and supporting the upcoming Summer School for our incoming Year 6 students. These experiences are invaluable for our pupils, and they wouldn't be possible without your help.

Your assistance is greatly appreciated, and we look forward to achieving even more together next year with your continued generosity.

Thank you once again for your support.

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Volleyball Champions!



These SNS students had never previously played volleyball before PE teacher, Ms Ferreira introduced the sport to them. In only one year they've gone from having never stepped on a volleyball court, to winning a tournament!



Congratulations to Ms Ferreira and her team of champions, it takes courage and determination to pick up a new sport, and our students have shown anything is possible if you put your mind to it.

Old Vic Schools Club



A collection of our students have been taking part in a year long project with the Old Vic Theatre.

Each year the Drama Department takes 30 students from across Years 9-13 to see four theatre productions at the Old Vic Theatre and to take part in workshops with theatre professionals.

This year we have seen - The Real Thing by Tom Stoppard, A Christmas Carol adapted by Jack Thorne, Oedipus adapted by Ella Hickson and The O4 | Spotlight



Brightening Air by Conor McPherson.
The students enjoyed going to the theatre
(particularly the interval ice cream!) and they
loved discussing and analysing the productions
on the bus home (which is always way past their
bedtime!)

They have had workshops on Directing, Stage Management, Set and Costume design and have loved every minute.

SNS Pride Club trip to the British Library



SNS Pride club had a lovely day at the British Library. Students had special access to archived texts, including the only original Jane Austen handwritten manuscript for 'Persuasion'.

They also attended a Q&A with Hari Conner and Lex Croucher, two Queer YA authors specialising in regency style fantasy.

Shout out to the amazing Pride Club students who were a great representation of Stokey!







Aspiration raising day at Cambridge University, Homerton College

Our students were given a unique opportunity to spend a day at the Homerton College with the 'Homerton to Homerton project'. Our ambitious year 10s and year 12s alongside All Saints Secondary School had a day full of exciting activities aimed to encourage and explore future educational paths. Lord Simon Woolley (Principal of Homerton College) provided our young Hackney people with a truly enriching experience which undoubtedly left an indelible mark on their minds, broadening their horizons and inspiring future aspirations. Students were able to explore Homerton College, which gave our students a unique glimpse into academic excellence. They then embarked on a scientific escape adventure – where all students powers of thinking were put to the test.

The feedback from students were incredibly positive and this experience has opened doors to new possibilities, empowering our young people to envision and pursue their educational goals.

BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK

As with every Science Week, we were visited by Safari Pete, who wowed our Year 7 students with a huge variety of wildlife. From insects to iguanas, Safari Pete gave us an education into such a wide selection of animals - both local and exotic. Students were able to hold and interact with the animals (even the tarantual!) and learn lots about the local wildlife within Stoke Newington, as well as further afield in different continents. As usual, our students surprised us with their level of knowledge - Safari Pete asked some difficult questions about the animal kingdom, but hands were always raised with an intelligent answer on offer. Well done to our amazing, brave, and inquisitive Year 7s!









SPORTS DAY!

Another amazing Sports Day! The good vibes were stronger than the sun. Records were broken, especially the one for the levels of decibels reached for cheering! Big shout out to the PE department for always putting on a show.



















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The soaring heat of the sun made for one of the best Summer Showcases in recent years! Our students were also bringing the heat with their performances and creative work - be it music, dance, drama, or the media, art and photography work on display - it was amazing. An enormous thank you to all the parents, carers, and students for coming - the Summer Showcase is truly one of the best ways to see out the summer term.



















Proms - Goodbye Year 11 and Year 13!



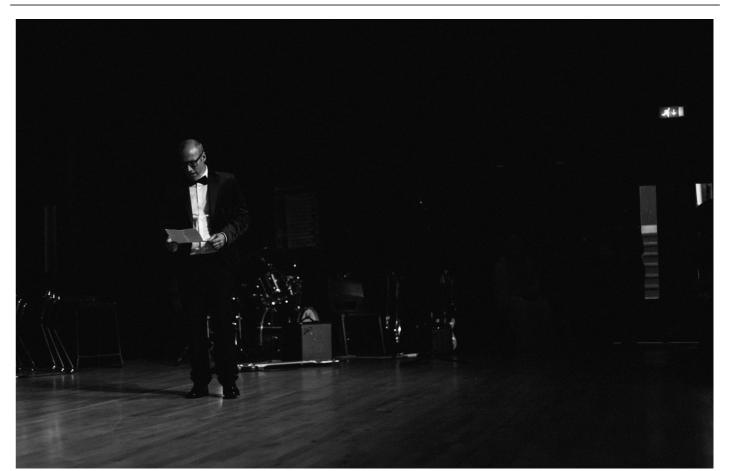




At the end of term we said goodbye to our current cohort of Year 11 and Year 13 students.

They've both been fantastic contributors to the SNS community and we believe many of these students will go on to great things. Our Year 11s had their celebration in the sports hall before their prom started. There were speeches from Headteacher, Mrs Jaffer and Head of Year, Mr Lumb, as well as performances from students and many awards handed out to students who have demonstrated our core values of compassion, ambition, resilience, and excellence.

The Year 13 celebration was held in the theatre and you couldn't move for the amount of students and family members crammed in - true testament to the support our students receive from their families. Our house band was amazing and we had speeches from Direct of Sixth Form, Mr Bell-Nevin, Head of Year, Mr Whittaker, as well as Mrs Jaffer. Both evenings were wonderful and perfect ways to celebrate and say goodbye to our students. We can't wait to see what you all make of yourselves, and look forward to seeing lots of Year 11s make the transition to our Sixth Form.











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Community Evening annual celebration

Community Evening - we just love it! It's our annual celebration of the wonderful, diverse, kind and supremely talented community that is Stoke Newington School.



With dishes from around the world, made by our wonderful staff and parents/carers, our Cube playground area became a street food market. It was packed with hungry guests until all the food was gone! Our students also performed some of their favourite songs to great applause from the crowd. Thank you to everyone who came along!









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