



STOKE PARK  
— SCHOOL —

# NEWS

2024

Thursday 27th June 2024



STOKE PARK  
FAMILY SUPPORT CENTRE

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## IMPORTANT DATES

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been another enriching week here at school. Our students were invited back to Downing Street for lessons at 10. Some students visited the Warwick Arts Centre and for the first time a delegation of students have represented Stoke Park at the 2024 Earth Summit at Keele University. It fills me with pride to hear the fantastic feedback about our young people and their ambassadorship to the school.



Next week, on Tuesday 2nd July, we are thrilled to welcome our new year 7 cohort and their families for our Transition Evening. The following day, Wednesday 3rd July, will be Year 6 into 7 Transition Day for all future Stoke Park students. These days are designed to help students familiarise themselves with their new community and tutor ready to return in September. To facilitate a smooth transition for those joining the Bridge, please note that the gates on Dane Road will be closed for vehicle entry from 8:30am.

We also look forward to welcoming back our Post 16 Select Applicants who will be joining us for Year 12 Transition Days from 1 July to 3 July. A reminder that students who hold an offer of study with us should attend each morning by 8:40am for invaluable sessions that will prepare them for Post 16 life. We cannot wait to see them our new Scholars.

With the recent warm weather, I would like to ask for your support in ensuring your child attends school in full uniform. While blazers can be removed during lessons with the teachers' permission and when seated at break and lunch, we ask that they are worn when moving around the school building. Additionally, please ensure that your child brings a water bottle to stay hydrated throughout the day. Water bottles can be refilled at their year office and in the canteen at break and lunchtimes.

Lastly, Sister Act rehearsals are well underway. We are excited about seeing the upcoming performance of our annual school show. Tickets are available to purchase from reception and via ParentPay.

A gentle reminder that the school will be closed tomorrow, Friday 28th June, for teacher training day. School will reopen on Monday 1st July at 08:40 am.

Have a lovely weekend.

Miss Rock  
Headteacher

# DOWNING STREET: LESSONS AT 10

The Performing Arts department were invited to 10 Downing Street on Friday 21st of June to partake in 'Lessons at 10' an initiative set up by Mrs Murty with the aim of providing children with a unique opportunity to experience what goes on behind the scenes of the famous black door of 10 Downing Street. The aim of these sessions is to bring education to life, encourage a love of learning and inspire children. Our students were most definitely inspired. Our session was run by the 'British Youth Music Theatre' Company who ran three sessions with our students on singing, dancing and acting. Students performed original material and were able to showcase their full creativity as they worked with industry professionals. Students were greeted by Akshata Murty, the Prime Minister's wife as she shook hands with each of them and spoke to them about their aspirations in life. Students were reminded of the importance of the Performing Arts by Mrs Murty as she likened the importance of being able to express yourself to the upcoming general election, reminding students of the importance of their voice and how they communicate. Students were able to document their visit through a photo opportunity outside the famous black door of number 10 and were even able to meet Larry the cat. Words cannot express how proud we are of the students; they were a shining example of Stoke Park School and all our core values. This was a once in a lifetime opportunity that our students will never forget. The Performing Arts Team



## YEAR 7: THE ORATOR

In The Bridge this week, students have completed their final Masters of Recall for Year 7 in English, Maths and Science! This has been a wonderful year of Year 7 students showcasing their learning through their Powerful Knowledge within the curriculum.

Students have been studying RSE as part of their PSHE curriculum and students have found it insightful to learn about the human body. The discussions have showcased excellent oracy skills and students have asked very inquisitive questions.

Students have been working incredibly hard on their showcase speeches over the last few weeks which has been fantastic to see as all of their reflections have been very insightful.

A reminder to pay for the trip to Warwick Castle that happens on 15th July. 7BDJ and 7KHU will be attending Leicester University on Friday 5th July, so please ensure letters and payments are handed in for this trip too. 7JTO have their field day trip in July as well so this is another exciting opportunity for Year 7 students. Please ensure all letters and payments are in for this trip too.

## YEAR 8: THE PHILOSOPHER

In Year 8 this week, students have been showing fantastic focus in lessons as they prepare for their end of year assessments. This is an exciting time for both students and teachers, as we seen the culmination of all their hard work being demonstrated. Students have shown fantastic rigour in English when applying their analysis skills to unseen poetry, a skill that they will need when looking ahead to their GCSE years. In French, students have been demonstrating a wealth of vocabulary knowledge through translation tasks. And in drama, students have wowed with their ability to create their own piece of drama on Fake News using Epic Theatre devises. Students have demonstrated Independence and Determination in all aspects of their lessons and we look forward to this progression into their assessments.

In other news, students have been learning about the General Election during Tutor Time in their PSHE lessons. All students were given an unbiased account of politics and the parties available to vote for. They were then able to cast a vote for who they would choose in the upcoming general vote. This is a vital part of learning for our young students as we prepare them for life as young adults. We look forward to sharing with you the outcome next week!

A reminder that the deadline for the trip to the RSC has now passed, and we ask that you return your reply slips and make payment through Parent Pay as soon as possible to ensure your child's place on this enrichment trip

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## YEAR 9: THE REVOLUTIONARY

Year 9 parents should have received letters this week inviting them in to celebrate and showcase their student's journeys in Year 9 as Revolutionaries. If you would like to come in on Tuesday 16th July, please return the reply slip by Friday 5th July so we have adequate time to prepare the students. Students are all excited to discuss their journeys and share in all they have accomplished.

Please also encourage students to return letters for our trip to Go Ape on Wednesday 17th July. Enrichment week should be a fantastic week where students can unwind after working hard all year. Everything is designed to build on students' characteristics and encourage them to develop their PRIDE skills.

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## YEAR 10: THE INVENTOR

An exciting week for our Year 10s as they have transitioned to the Year 11 corridor and have started the delve into what it means to be the Architect at Stoke Park School. Tutor time this week has been very productive with interventions starting in Maths, English and Science. Therefore, attendance and punctuality are crucial to ensure that students have the best possible outcomes. In addition, students have started to prepare for their 'Futures day' interviews during form time. The interviews will take place on the final Wednesday of the term during enrichment week. Students will each be interviewed by an external employer ranging from a variety of employers, including Eon. To prepare for this, students will be using the online platform UniFrog to build their CV's and will be learning and practicing interview techniques during tutor time.

Furthermore, with the general election around the corner, our inventors have been looking at the political parties' manifestos and the importance of voting. Next week, students in Year 10 will take a vote on the political party that they would like to be elected. This will take place during form time next Tuesday.

A polite reminder that the consent forms, waiver and payment for the Cliff Lakes trip is due. If there are any issues with payment, or you have any queries, please contact your child's form tutor.

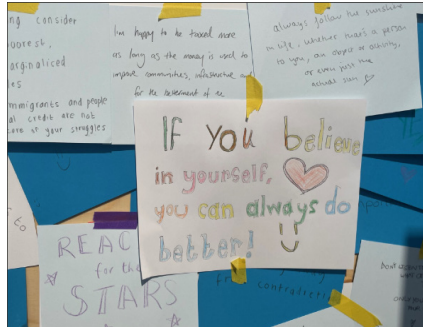


# WARWICK UNIVERSITY TRIP

Students from KS3 took part in a creative workshop day at Warwick University as part of Refugee week. The event was organized by the Creative Learning centre and other schools across the city took part. We started the day visiting The Mead Gallery to look at an exhibition called Art without Borders featuring work by Rwandan-Italian artist, Francis Offman, that show his new abstract paintings . His canvases tell stories of friendship and travel. They share tales of journeys from across the globe made with materials that reflect colonialism as well as his own personal experiences growing up in Rwanda and his journey to refuge in Italy after fleeing civil war and genocide in 1994.

The students then took part in a series of creative activities designed to show what home means to them, what would be their messages for other refugee children coming to the UK and a tour of the University Sculpture trail.

The students said that were amazed at how big the University was and how many different people were there, they enjoyed mixing with students from other schools and telling their own refugee stories.



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EVENING AND DAY FOR OUR YEAR 7  
COHORT JOINING THE BRIDGE IN  
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**TheBridge**  
*At Stoke Park School*



Stoke Park School  
Presents

# SISTER ACT

Music by Alan Menken  
Lyrics by Glenn Slater  
Book by Cheri Steinkellner & Bill Steinkellner

**Wednesday 10th July**  
**Thursday 11th July**

**TICKETS**

**£5 ADULTS | STUDENTS £2.50**

**7:00pm**

**TICKETS AVAILABLE ON PARENTPAY AND RECEPTION**

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