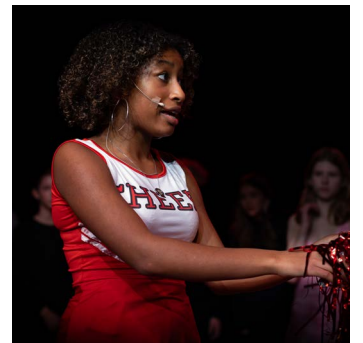
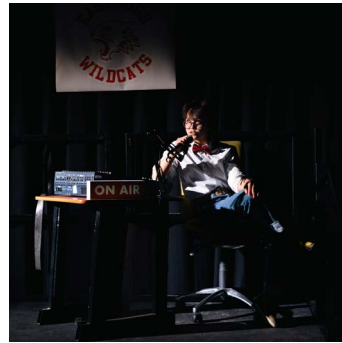




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**HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL | LAWRENCE OKOLIE | CREATIVE DAY
SLADE SCHOOL OF ART PRINTMAKING | CHRISTMAS MARKET**

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ON THE COVER AND BELOW: PICTURES OF THIS YEAR'S MUSICAL, HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL.

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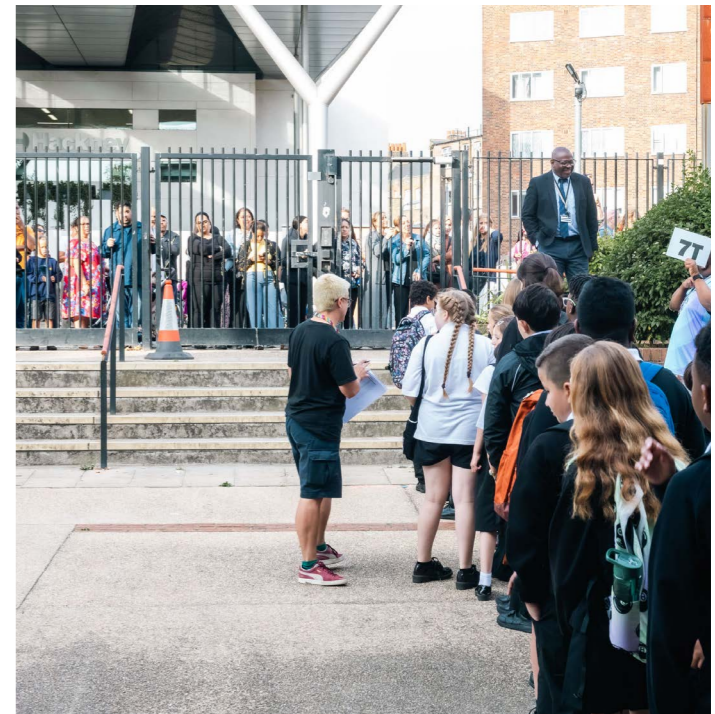
TERM HIGHLIGHTS



First day for Year 7!

The term started off with nervous anticipation and excitement for our new Year 7 students! The first day of term began with lining up in their form after saying goodbye to all the onlooking parents and carers. Next it was getting to know their form and their form tutor, and then as the week progressed they experienced their first taste of all the wonderful new subjects on offer to them in secondary school. They also all got to taste the wonderful break and lunchtime food we have, something new Year 7s always really enjoy!

We hope they've all settled in well and feel like true Stokey students!



Volleyball winners!

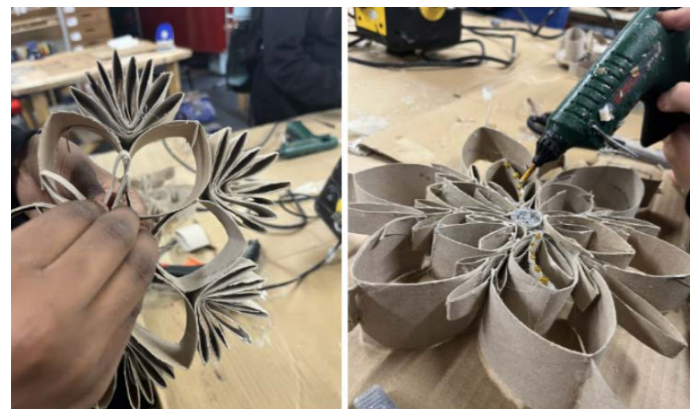
Our girls' volleyball team won their first match this term. They've been training really well under the tutelage of Ms Ferreira and have been well rewarded with a match victory - the first of many we expect!



Winter Workshops

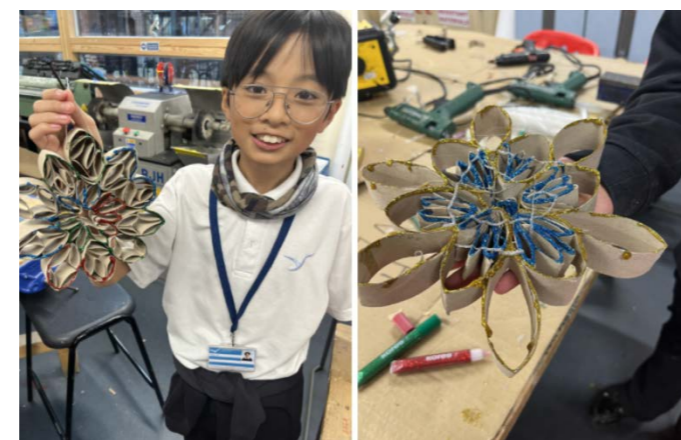
During the penultimate week of term, two wintery workshops took place in H04 and the Library.

Students had a great time participating in activities using recycled materials to make hanging snowflake decorations. Some also made



Christmas candy cones based on the Schultüte given to German children on their first day of primary school.

Have a look at what they have created:



Languages of the month celebrations



Set up by our Communities Language Lead, Ms Komisarek, our languages of the month celebrations always do so much to enrich our students' minds about all the different cultures in the world.

This term, we have celebrated the culture and languages of Germany and Myanmar.

To celebrate the culture and learn about the history and geography of Myanmar (Burma), students created Burmese flags and took part in a quiz based on displays in the library.

To celebrate Germany, students had fun dressing



up and having a go at playing the accordion at lunchtime in the Library

The objects and textiles were borrowed from the Islington Education Library Service. A big thank you to them for providing us with such fantastic and engaging resources!

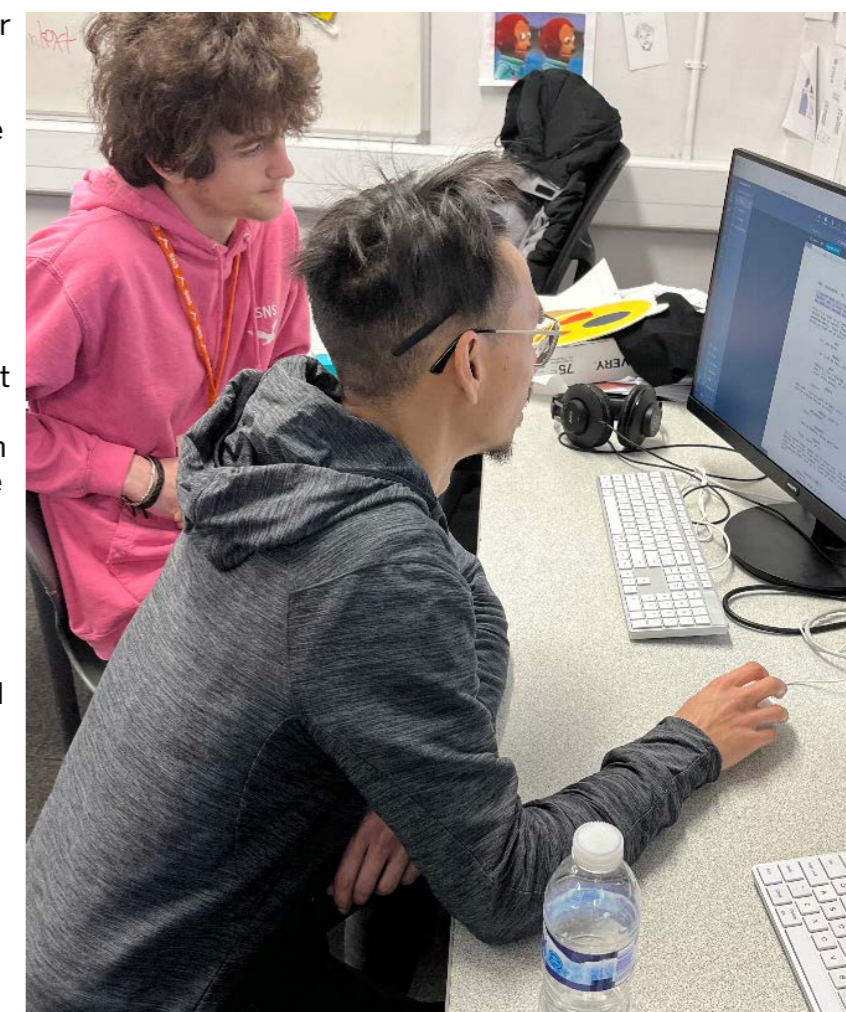
SNS welcomes back Michael Vu - film writer and actor!



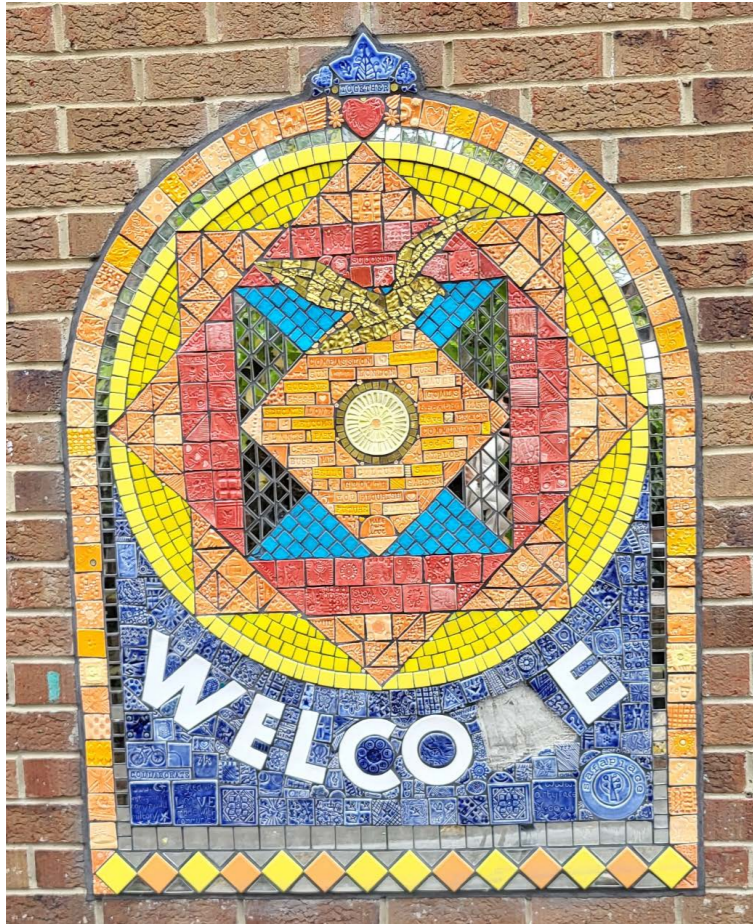
Former student and SNS staff member turned film-writer and actor, Michael Vu, visited our Year 12 Film Studies students to look at their scripts for the opening scene for a London based TV crime drama.

Michael sat one-to-one with students to discuss their projects before taking part in a Q&A session about his journey into the film and TV industry. It was a very engaging, open and honest presentation of what life is really like in industry and our students asked some very considered questions. Michael then spoke of his work on Netflix's 'The Gentlemen' and his future projects going forward.

We look forward to welcoming Michael back to work with our students again in the future.



New mosaic in the school playground



Year 12 History students at Goldsmiths

We have a fantastic new mosaic! This was completed as part of a transition project with Grasmere Primary school and some of our Year 8 students in association with Safaplace who kindly funded it.

All of the tiles were made by students. The 'M' cracked in the kiln and is being remade. Thanks to all who supported with it.

Year 12 students were invited for a day of lectures with the Goldsmiths University History Department. Students were also given top tips for a successful UCAS personal statement; and even given promotional bubbles at the end of the day... All were perfect ambassadors for SNS Sixth Form.



Year 13 History students lecture visit at the Emmanuel Centre

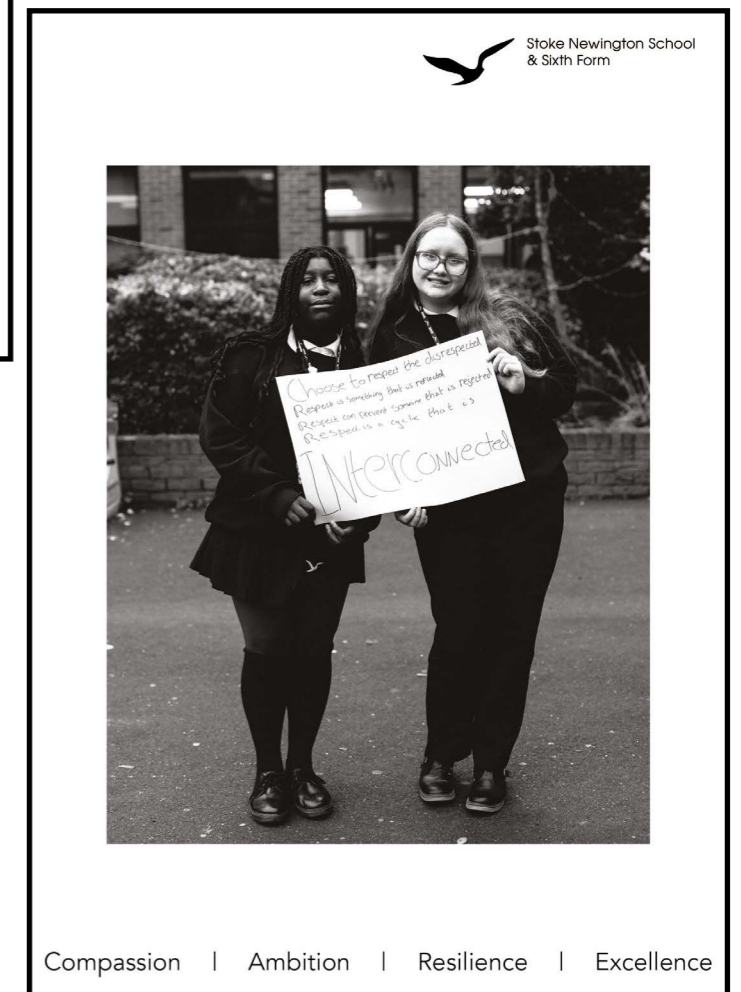
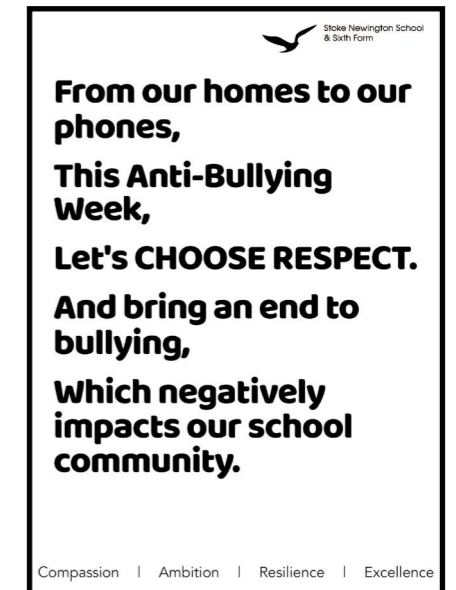
Year 13 History students went to the Emmanuel Centre to listen to a series of lectures on the USSR, from Revolution to Khrushchev; including a lecture about the bourgeois trappings of coat hooks. They were great ambassadors for our school!

Anti-bullying week at SNS

As part of Anti-bullying Week, we made a short video in collaboration with students and staff about the impact of bullying. It was great to see so many students want to be involved and be passionate about eliminating bullying from school settings.

The video was shown to students in assembly time and was followed by discussion. We also created a series of posters to display in our main corridor for the duration of Anti-bullying Week.

A big well done to all the students involved, it's fantastic to see so many students committed to anti-bullying.

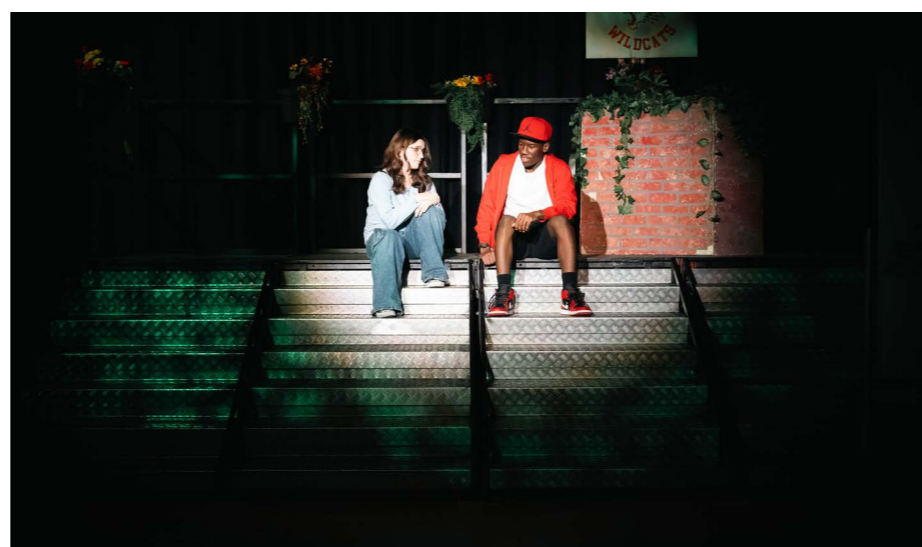
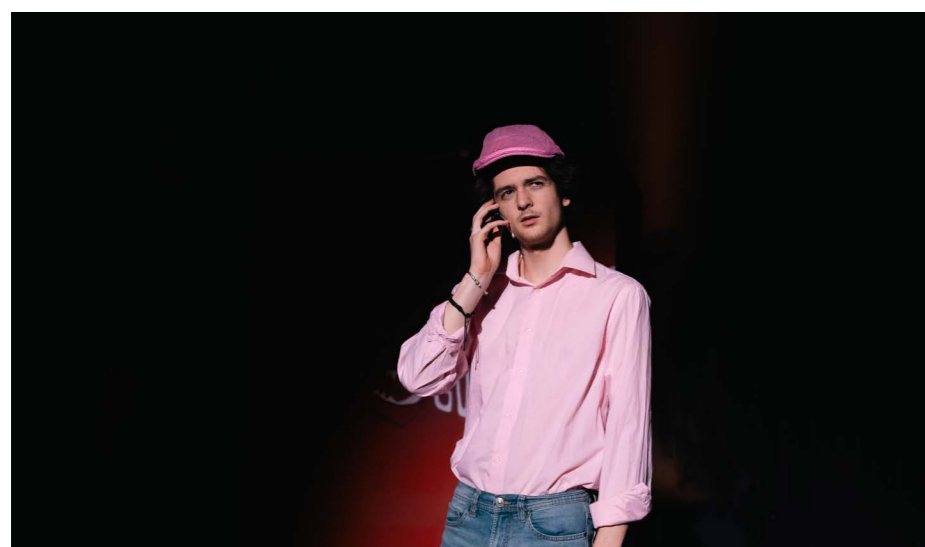


HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL

Every year during our annual drama production, our students continue to surprise us with just how incredible they are throughout the process. From learning their lines, turning up for every rehearsal, to giving it their all in the final performances - they astound us with their professionalism and virtuosity. This year, we performed High School Musical, based on the 2006 film about two high school students

who secretly decide to audition for their school's musical. One audience member said of the play: "The show was exceptional on so many levels and as a regular attendee to all your fantastic performances I would like to congratulate to every member of staff in your teams and students for achieving such an amazing success."

Thank you to all the parents/carers, friends, and family who came to watch the show. We hope you all enjoyed it. And well done to our students involved - you are all stars!



Lawrence Okolie Visits



Olympian, professional boxer, and former WBC Bantamweight Champion (before vacating the belt to move to heabyweight); but did you also know that Lawrence Okolie is also a former SNS student? This term, Lawrence very kindly visited a select group of Year 9 and 10 students, delivering an inspiring speech, answering LOTS of questions, before taking pictures and signing autographs It was fantastic for our students to see Lawrence and hear his message about being able to become anyone you want, as long as you put in the hard work and dedication to your chosen craft. Lawrence also couldn't resist a quick walk through the school to see his old classrooms!

Clubs Fair

At the beginning of term we held our clubs fairs for Year 7 and 8 students. There was a real buzz and enthusiasm from students for the enrichment offer that has continued throughout term - with record number of students continuing to attend clubs all term.

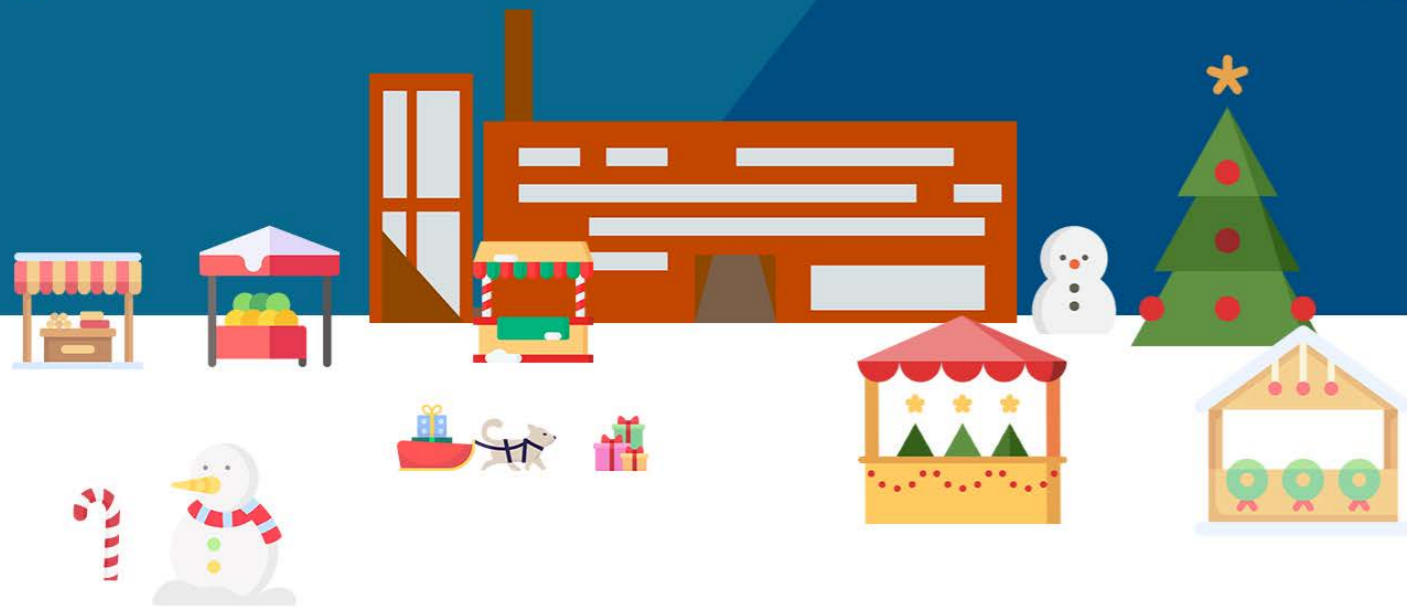
This year we have a huge selection of clubs on offer, over 50 different clubs, taking place before school,

during lunch break and after school.

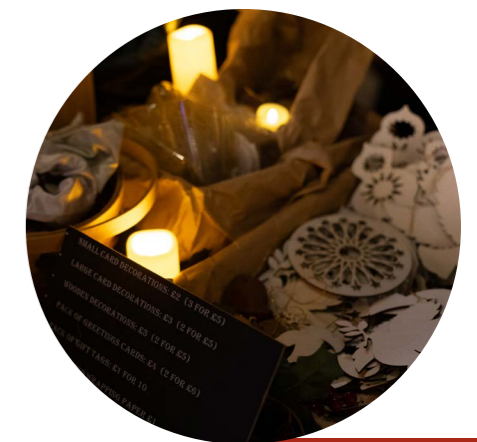
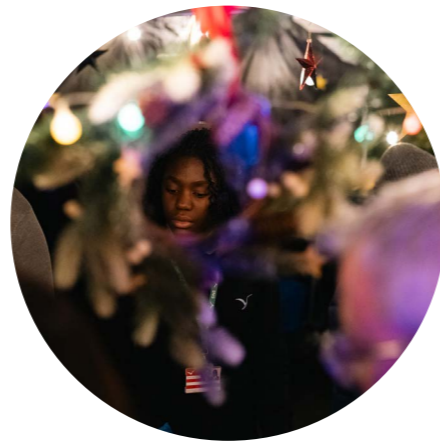
From Basketball Club to Photography club, Gardening club to Jazz band, we really do have something for everyone. All students are encouraged to attend at least two clubs to increase their cultural capital, learn new skills, broaden their hobbies/interests and make new friends.



Christmas Market & Winter Showcase



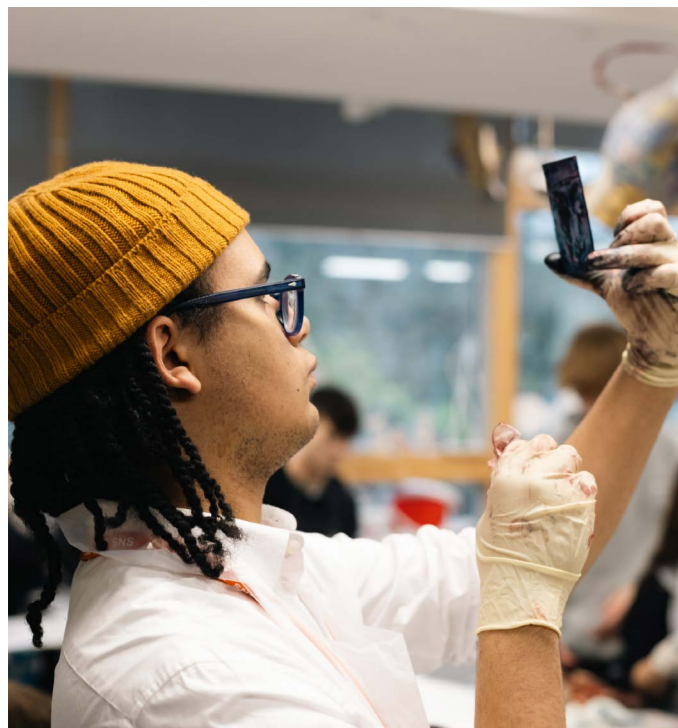
Wow! Our Winter Showcase was a great start to the Christmas season. It was terrific to have the community come together celebrating students' talent. The young people (plus a few staff!) did all the hard work: decorated the Christmas Tree in the Main Foyer, sold handmade Christmas goods in the market, and those important students and colleagues serving food and refreshments. Many thanks to those of you who attended and made the evening so special.





SLADE SCHOOL FOR ART PRINTING WORKSHOP

Our collaboration with the Slade School of Art's printmaking outreach programme has been established over several years. This term, students were treated to a printmaking workshop and Year 12 were highly productive, working enthusiastically in these new techniques.



Students created intaglio etching plates based on elements of their own work, personalising and connecting their existing personal development to the workshop.

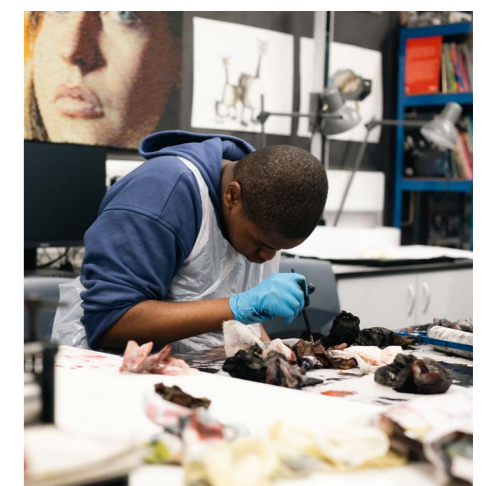
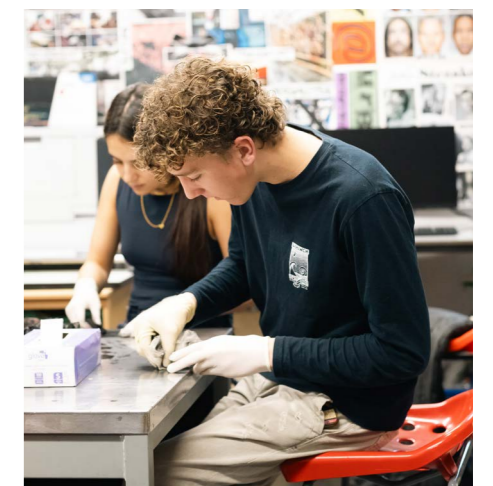
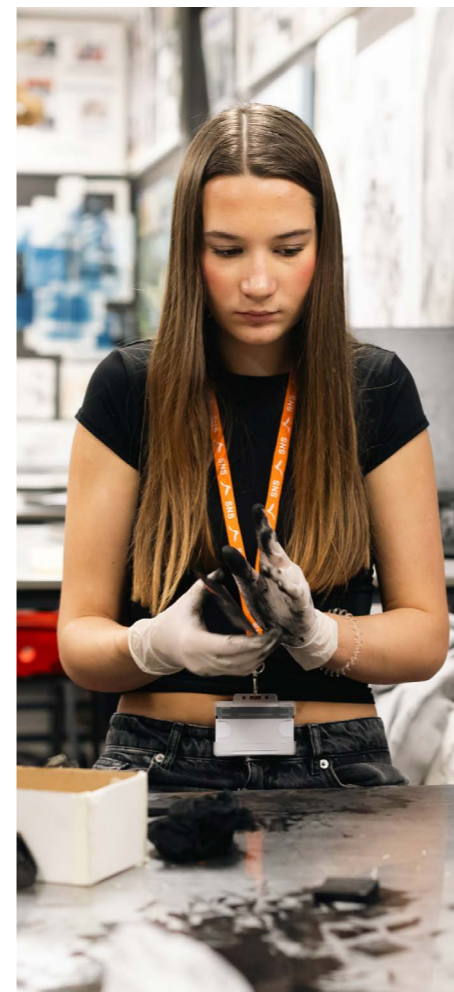
Slade staff arrived on site and reviewed the students work with them. They inducted the students in the core skills, especially inking up and then preparing the plate to go through the etching press. The students adapted quickly and were soon proofing their etchings with a first print. They were having to make decisions about how much ink they clean off their plates, would they leave more to give tone, shading or atmosphere to the marks scratched into the printing plates.

Chine-Collé roughly translates from French as 'Tissue' and 'Glue.' It describes a printmaking technique where thin sheets of colour paper are torn or cut to fit into an etching between the plate and the paper. When the plate is pressed down into the printing paper, the colour tissue is pressed into the base sheet and becomes part of the image. It allows the printmaker to create multiple one-off variations from the same printing plate.

Our Year 12 students were prolific and created a huge array of experiments, some 'tidy' and carefully cut to fit within the framework of the image, some loosely torn and spreading over the borders of the image.

With expert guidance from Slade staff and supportive feedback from their class teachers the students worked extremely hard, not just producing a large number of prints and a great deal of experimentation, but very high quality outcomes.

The relationship between print design, application of Chine-Collé and each student's personal investigation is really strong and has enabled our Year 12s to engage in technical learning as well as creative development. Well done to them and a big thanks to the Slade for partnering with us.



CREATIVE DAY!

Our Creative Days are always one of the most exciting days on the school calendar. Year 7, to complement their reading of the gothic novel Coraline, exercised their imaginations through a variety of spooky themed tasks! In the morning they visited the local nature reserve of Abney Park- one of the Seven Magnificent London Cemeteries- for inspiration on how to describe

settings. Then they brought their ideas to life by designing and building their own creepy creatures which featured as characters in their spooky story writing. Year 8 and Year 10 students visited various cultural landmarks/venues in London. Year 9 made placards and learnt about activism from Eliza Hatch, and Year 11 did special preparation for their exams.



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