

## HEADTEACHER'S BULLETIN

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Welcome to February 2019 – a new month!

This half term is rushing by with only two weeks left of the half term until the February half term break.

### It's all about Maths

The highlight for me from the last week was the brilliant Maths conference that 50 of our Year 11 students attended 'Securing a 5 Grade'. They went with girls from Mulberry School for Girls to the UTC for a powerful conference style two hours on Friday afternoon and then again on Saturday morning. Thanks to the Heads of Maths from all three school and Dr Mundy our Trust Consultant.



## Sixth Form

This week in the Sixth Form we had Shah Habibur Rahman coming to speak to our year 12 students. Shah is a former Sixth Form student, currently working at St Hilda's East Community Centre.

Not only was he promoting the enormous amount of opportunities the Centre has to offer but he also spoke to students about the lessons he learnt as a Sixth Form student

### Hospitality

The brilliant Year 11 Hospitality group were making cakes, waffles and other lovely things this week and selling them in the main street of the school; this helps towards their BTEC Hospitality coursework. Thank you in particular to Ms Howe and Year 11 students for my lovely cake!



### Debate Mate success

Our two fantastic teams took part in Debate Mate at The London Enterprise Academy on Monday evening and both teams won their second round of debates; Year 9 and Year 10 against Mulberry Girls and the Years 7 and Year 8 against George Greens School.

Well done to the Year 7 and 8 novice team - Hasan Ahmed, Waseem Ahmed, Zakaria Hasan, Saif Ali, Yusra Mohamed, Nebeyu Dawit.

Well done to the Year 9 and 10 team - Juliann Gaskin, Rosina Barbara, Hana Abdi, Carlotta Joffe, Yasmin Jama, Ramina Chowdhury.

Both teams received some very positive feedback from the Debate Mate mentors adjudicating the debates, which were on whether the digital age is doing more harm than good, and whether schools should use modern instead of classical texts to teach Art and English. Brilliant – so proud !

and how valuable his time was here.

Added to this, Shah gave a fantastic insight into University life and his subsequent travels around the world – this was all so well deserved considering he got a first class honours degree in marketing!

It was really great to have him here and we are very proud of one of our many successful former Sixth Form students.

### Success in Athletics

Well done to Year 8 students who have won the Borough Athletics – first time ever! Well done to Year 7 who have come third – again brilliant! Thank you to Mr Jones and Mr McCabe for this outstanding performance.

### Visit from The Chair of The Mulberry Trust – Ms Jane Farrell

On Thursday, we had a lovely visit from Ms Jane Farrell who is the Chair of the Mulberry Trust. She visited the school to meet staff, students and generally look around the school. It was such a pleasure to have Jane Farrell in the school meeting our lovely young people and hard working staff.

### Year 10 Parents' Evening

We had a very successful Year 10 Parents' Evening this week - a fantastic turn out from parents/carers and there was a real opportunity to show parents our brilliant Sixth Form offers. It was really delightful to meet so many parents and be able to say so many positive things about our students.

Thank you to Ms James and Mr Collis for their leadership on this event.

### Notices:

1. The weather is very cold at the moment – please ensure your child has a suitable coat in line with our school uniform policy.
2. Please check the website for any weather updates impacting on the school.

### Thank you, Mrs Holden – Executive Principal

### Ms K Frankum



## Creative Cook School

Students made rice and peas with jerk chicken and mango salsa; also two desserts, banoffee pie and Jamaican ginger cake. It was delicious. All the young people owned various tasks while making the meal which was great.

Zakiyyah, Naheeya and Zahra dissected whole chickens which is a difficult task, but they stuck it out, eventually taking their gloves off too. Zakariya's confidence is really showing especially in his music sessions where he expresses his creativity. He uses his initiative a lot and finds tasks to do, showing leadership by asking the young people to help him. Suleiman made the marinade with Arman, blending the mixture by himself. He was also involved in multiple tasks and clearing up, all members of staff were really impressed.

Some students also helped with Keep Fit, the exercise session we have for the elderly, they loved the kids getting involved.

For the trip this week students went to The Clove Club, a Michelin Star restaurant which is 33 on the world top 50 restaurants list. The young people loved it there, and they asked loads of questions.

**Ms Taylor**



## Attendance Figures

for 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019 – 25<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Tutor Group	Attendance Percentage	Tutor Group	Attendance Percentage
7ABr	98.40%	10AHo	97.24%
7ARo	96.36%	10AHq	93.57%
7JBi	95.20%	10CKi	96.77%
7LGi	96.80%	10CMc	96.25%
7LHu	98.26%	10HSi	95.33%
Year 7	97.00%	10LGu	96.67%
		Year 10	96.00%
8AFI	98.40%	11ABa	94.29%
8HRa	95.38%	11ADv	93.85%
8MBe	93.08%	11AWe	99.09%
8MCa	88.15%	11BHo	94.17%
8MVa	95.71%	11RCo	93.64%
8SAn	92.86%	11SWr	98.00%
Year 8	93.88%	11TMs	89.00%
		Year 11	94.58%
9AHe	98.62%		
9JLa	94.00%	12HOp	92.17%
9KHo	97.33%	12NHl	85.71%
9MPr	92.14%	Year 12	88.63%
9MRh	95.17%		
9NHu	99.33%	13NYa	96.84%
Year 9	96.14%	13PMa	91.22%
		13SBm	95.29%
		Year 13	94.41%

## Multi Faith Week

As part of Interfaith Week at Mulberry Academy Shoreditch, there were a variety of activities that took place during the week. In the library we had some thinking activities about what faith and belief means to us personally. Also there was a lovely special display of books dedicated to world religions and cultures. In assemblies students learnt about the importance of interfaith and the idea of different beliefs coming together for peace.

Mas'ud Omar Mohamed Sharif  
Year 8

## STEM-iversary

A year ago a group of Year 7 girls asked to form their own STEM group aimed at empowering girls in the STEM subjects. Last week, the STEMettes celebrated their STEM-iversary. The girls have really grown in skills during the year, as seen by the speaker they have just finished soldering and constructing. I have loved being part of watching these inquisitive minds grow, and the girls confidence with it.



**Ms O'Connor**

## Hospitality Week

This week the Year 11 Hospitality Students had a practical assessment task in which they had to "Demonstrate working skills in a Hospitality Setting."

They worked in small teams to carry out a Food Production and set up a pop up shop in the street, selling items such as burgers, smoothies, cupcakes, pancakes, waffles, ice cream and cookies. They worked extremely hard and their ventures were all successful.

Thanks to Ms Rainey (Food Technician), Mrs Holden, Ms Montgomerie and of course the students who purchased all the items to make it such a success.

**Ms Howe**



## Student Council Update

During the past week, the school council prepared ideas for tackling apathy within our school community. I went to meet with the senior leaders of the school to discuss our ideas further and to also ask for feedback on potential solutions.

We discussed ideas such as filmmaking and sanctions for students who have been involved in apathetic circumstances, whilst simultaneously celebrating all the amazing acts of empathy we see around the school.

In addition to this, at our latest meeting we collaborated with the film club and we interviewed Ronnie from the premises team to seek feedback for the proposed film.

If you would like to be involved in the film making process or have any enquiries please go to Amal Mohamed (Chairwoman) or Tabeeb Rahman (Vice Chair).

Evani Harradine Year 9



## Book Review

### Les Miserables by Victor Hugo

This book is about the aftermath of the French Revolution in and after 1789. It is about the average french people rising above the monarchy and start an uprising against the King and Queen.

I chose this book because this had very good recommendations. This book has lots of suspense, triumph, tragedy, inspiration to rise above and do something life changing.

This book made me feel both inspired and quite emotional because of the way Victor Hugo wrote and made us imagine and relive that part of French history.

I would recommend it only to competent readers and able readers who could understand war and history.

John Zacharie Nemeno Year 7

## Holocaust memorial event

On Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January myself and two other Year 8 students travelled to UCL to attend a holocaust memorial event led by Mr Rahman. During the event, we heard experiences from a Holocaust survivor Mala Tribich. She was a 14-year-old Jewish prisoner at the Bergen-Belsen concentration camp in World War Two.

We also witnessed a very special prayer by a Jewish Rabbi. This was an important event because we learnt about the devastating suffering experienced by Jews in the concentration camps and we must remember this moment in History so nothing like this can ever happen again.

Nebeyu Dawit Year 8



# EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES/CLUBS

Spring  
2019

	Club/Activity	Time	Place	With	Year
Monday	Boys Football	7.30-8.20	Sports Hall	Mr McCabe	7-9
	Fitness	7.45-8.15	Gym	Mr Jones	10-11
	Haven club	1.00-1.30	401	Ms Warner	7-13
	STEMETTES	3.30-4.30	416	Ms O'Connor	Girls – All Years
	Bengali club	3.30-4.30	223	Mr Ali	7-8
	Homework	3.45-4.20	502	Ms Begum	7-9
	Construction Club	3.30-4.30	401	Mr De Souza	10
	Book Folding Club	3.30-4.30	The Library	Mrs Mitchell	All Years
	Boxing/Karate (Boys) (sign up required)	3.30-5.30	Sports Hall	Mr McCabe	All Years
	Karate/Boxing (Girls) (sign up required)	3.30-5.30	Sports Hall	Mr McCabe	All Years
Tuesday	Fitness	7.45-8.15	Gym	Mr Jones	10-11
	Boys Football	7.30-8.20	Sports Hall	Mr McCabe	7-9
	Haven club	1.00-1.30	401	Ms Warner	7-13
	Yoga	1.00-1.30	Dance Studio	Ms Laskus	7-13
	Korean club	1.00-1.30	223	Mr Omar	7-13
	Mini Science club	1.10-1.30	412	Mrs O'Connor	7-13
	CREST Awards club	3.30-4.30	LRC	Mrs O'Connor	7-13
	Netball (Girls)	3.30-5.00	MUGA	Ms Herrera	7-10
	Design Technology	3.30-5.00	401	Mr De Souza	9
Wednesday	Fitness	7.45-8.15	Gym	Mr Jones	10-11
	Badminton	7.30-8.20	Sports Hall	Mr McCabe	7-11
	Table Tennis	7.30-8.20	Sports Hall	Mr McCabe	7-11
	Meditation	10.50-11.05	Dance Studio	Ms Laskus	7-13
	Mini Science club	1.20-1.40	414	Ms O'Connor	7-13
	Boys Football	3.30-5.00	MUGA	Mr McCabe	9
	Gardening club	3.30-4.45	Garden	Mr Hodgson	7-13
	Robotics club	3.30-4.30	513	Mr Hussain	7-13
	Count on us	3.30-4.30	314	Mr Murphy	7-9
	Community Leaders	3.30-4.30	Library	Ms Taylor	7-9
	Afro-Street Dance club		Dance Studio	Ms Moreno	7-13
	Football	3.30-4.30 3.30-5.00	Sports Hall	Mr Coffey	7
	Thursday	Fitness club	7.30-8.20	Gym	Mr McCabe
Haven club		1.00-1.30	401	Ms Warner	7-13
Spanish Music Club		1.00-1.30	Music Room	Ms Holdcroft	7-9
Years 7 & 8 Drama Club		3.30-4.30	Main Hall	Ms James	7-8
Girls Football		3.30-5.00	Sports Hall	Mr McCabe	7-10
Boys Football		3.30-5.00	MUGA	Mr Jones	10
Science club		3.30-4.30	413	Mrs O'Connor	7-13
Debate Mate		3.30-4.30	201, 202, 302	Ms Bartlett	7-10
Construction		4.30-6.30	401	Mr De Souza	7-8
Duke of Edinburgh (invite only)		3.30-5.00	Main Hall	Ms Taylor	9
Studio Ghibli film club		3.30-4.30	402	Ms Gullick	7-13
Art club	3.30-4.30	405	Ms Kilmanaite	7-13	
Friday	Basketball	7.30-8.20	Sports Hall	Ms Herrera	7-11
	Fitness	7.45-8.20	Gym	Mr Jones	10-11
	Haven club	1.00-1.30	401	Ms Warner	7-13
	Cooking club	1.00-1.40	403	Ms Howe	7-10
	Boys Football	3.30-5.00	MUGA	Mr McCabe	8
	Chess Club	3.30-4.30	313	Ms Flood	7-13
	The Berry Good Readers	3.30-4.30	LRC	Mrs Mitchell	7-9
	Cricket Club	3.30-4.30	Sports Hall	Mr McCabe & Cricket Coach	7-9
	Cricket Club	4.30-5.45	Sports Hall		7-9