

International Women's Day



We had an amazing day at the school last Friday celebrating International Women's Day. We had a full programme of events and were lucky enough to have with us Heidi Alexander, a previous Labour MP and now Deputy Mayor of London. Heidi had a full tour of the school, and then met with our Year 12 Politics students and our three female Young Mayor candidates. It was a very special visit and Heidi said how impressed she was by the students and by the school as a whole. I was incredibly proud when I was showing her around.

We also had Dr Ogden our CEO, and Ms Ward Headteacher of Mulberry UTC speaking with Year 8 and 10 students at different times during the day.

I ended the day with the unique experience of speaking with all of the female students at the school all together in one space. For me, this was very special; to be with all of the girls in the school on International Women's Day was great!

Economics

Mulberry Shoreditch held its first Economics Conference on Tuesday, with Year 13 students from our school and from Mulberry School for Girls in attendance. The three hour conference was held by Mr Phil Holden, The Headteacher of St Lawrence College British School in Athens, but who is also an Economics teacher.

Feedback from Year 13 students was extremely positive, with students expressing how much they had learned and that it had helped them prepare for success in their exams which are not far away at all.

Thank you to Mr Holden for coming into the school, and to Mr Matsangos and Mr Cullen who lead Economics in both schools. The event was really successful and had a positive impact on students.

Mulberry go to Cambridge

A huge thank you to Ms Montgomerie, Ms Higdon and Ms Hassan who at the weekend took a group of students to Murray Edwards College, University of Cambridge to perform a seven minute Drama piece as part of International Women's Day. This was a hugely successful event that really showcased the school and our students' Drama talent.



Thank you, Mrs Holden – Executive Principal

Sixth Form

Interviews for the Sixth Form

This year we have had over 200 applications (internal and external) for 100 places in the Sixth Form which means that we will be bigger and better than ever in September 2019.

Over the past two weeks, the Senior Leadership Team have had the pleasure of interviewing nearly all of our Year 11 applicants for a place in the Sixth Form. For many of us this was one of the highlights of our year so far. The students were asked some very demanding questions but handled them articulately and with great confidence. We were interested to hear so many wonderful things about our students aside from their academic interests which included sports, volunteering, language classes and much more. It was a pleasure to meet them all.

I am looking forward to meeting our Year 11 parents to give them a bit more information on the Sixth Form. In addition we will be meeting all of our external applicants on Tuesday 26th March to secure their places at the school next year. These are exciting and busy times for the Sixth Form!

Exploring Economics Day

On Wednesday 13th March, four Year 12 students attended the Exploring Economics day at UCL. They underwent a rigorous selection process to be a part of the day.

The day involved learning about macroeconomics through role play, led by Dr Ramin Nassehi, a teaching fellow at UCL. The day also gave our students a chance to meet and talk to undergraduate students and listen to a panel of UCL Alumni, ranging from those working for the BBC, Deliveroo and the Government Economics Service. Our students asked questions to the panel including whether they recommend completing a joint honours degree. The day ended with a walk around the UCL Bloomsbury campus, learning about the history of economics around UCL and important figures such as John Maynard Keynes.

Ms Gumus

Ms Frankum



Wanted! Junior Boys Club Leader at St Hilda's East Community Centre

Are you passionate about working with young people and want to see the lives of 9 to 13 year olds transformed through access to an exciting, fun and engaging after school club? If so, this could be the job for you!

St Hilda's East is a charity that aims to provide positive activities and practical support to young people with the aim of enabling them to feel safe, develop friendships and stay connected to their neighbourhood. This is a new venture for St Hilda's and has been requested by local boys from Virginia Primary School and Mulberry Academy Shoreditch.

Please note: this post will be a volunteer post. We are seeking funding to make this a paid position in the near future.

The Role

The junior boys' club leader will:

Take responsibility for ensuring there is a high quality, creative and fun offer and provide young people with the best possible experiences and outcomes
Have a passion to put young people first and be responsible for the continuous improvement of the delivery
Input towards the strategic delivery plan for young people in the local area by liaising with key stakeholders.

The Person

You will:

- Have experience of working with young people aged 9 to 13
- Be creative, enthusiastic and have a positive outlook
- Demonstrate a strong commitment to young people and have the ability to engage and build positive relationships
- Be inclusive, show equity and treat everyone with respect, holding the boundaries when required
- In accordance with our child protection and safeguarding procedures, this position requires an enhanced DBS check.

Applicants, please apply via the email address volunteering@sthildas.org.uk or call St Hilda's East Community Centre on 0207 739 8066 and ask for the Volunteer Co-ordinator.

This is a great opportunity for a person committed to young people and with the right skills to develop leadership experience in a supportive community centre environment, while working in partnership with local schools.

Closing date for application: Monday 1st April at 9.30am

Highlights from International Women's Day



Friday's celebration of women saw Ms James and Ms Moreno lead a celebration of Black Inspirational Women in the Arts. The workshop, labelled "Together as One", allowed the Year 9 girls to explore the innovative talents and stories of these women via stations set around the hall to inspire and provoke thoughts. Students then devised and performed their own bespoke pieces. Both have described the event as a moment marked in their teaching career, describing the atmosphere as "a universal feeling of unity".

Ms James



In light of International Women's Day, the PE faculty held a 'This Girl Can' talk. The talk looked at women in sport and the huge success women in Mulberry Academy Shoreditch and all over the world have achieved in sport. Students participated in a workshop to break down the stigmas related to women in sport and ways to encourage women to take part in sport. Students connected with Serena Williams's Nike Commercial 'Show them crazy' and Always #Likeagirl campaign turning a phrase into an empowering message for all women. 'This Girl Can' was a huge success and the PE faculty hope to inspire and encourage all students to part take in physical education and sport

The PE Department



Student Council Master Chef experts! Mulberry Girls Catering Trip

On Tuesday, a group of Student Council members and Community Leaders from Years 7, 8 and 9 went to Mulberry School for Girls for a catering taster session for a new school menu.

There were three different catering companies and we had to decide which ones would be best for our school's breakfast, brunch and lunch. We looked at the company PowerPoints to see how they would change our canteen area and we tried different food to see which would be most healthy and appetising for the students. We were deciding on which ones would be best out of three companies. All the students who went on this trip had a great day of eating loads of different types of food. It was a great opportunity.

A big thanks to Mr Farmer for driving us to Mulberry School for Girls!

Elsa Prescod & Calum Seagrave-Ronan – Year 9

STEMETTES Trip



On Saturday 9th March, some girls attended a trip run by the STEMETTES, and hosted by Legal and General at their Coleman Street office. This event was designed to celebrate International Women's day and to recognize females working in STEM subjects.

The girls listened to an impressive panel of female scientists (and 1 male scientist) who are currently working in robotics, banking, insurance, engineering, design, or cosmetics. This was followed by a Q & A session, and speed mentoring session. The girls behaved impeccably and really seemed to engage and enjoy the activities. It was a very amazing way to celebrate International Women's Day.

Ms O'Connor

Ig Oliver Visit



On Wednesday for World Book Day Ig Oliver visited our school. He came to give an inspirational speech in front of many in our school library. At first he talked about what writing and reading is and how we should "try and inspire ourselves". He also mentioned that reading turns us away from gaming which I believe is a beneficial point for many.

Ig Oliver has an award winning book named "The Butterfly Bee Lady and the Bee"!

Ig Oliver is an inspiration to me and others. He was also able to answer my question: "I've written a book before but how are you able to write up to 130 pages?" and he answered back "If you've written 10 pages that's fine, you can make a small story but if you're trying to write more make another story on to the topic. Be persistent and work on it everyday."

Hasan Ahmed – Year 7

Pizza Party



Congratulations to 7LHu for winning the Year 7 form competition by getting the most positive points for hard work, effort and behaviour over half a term. As a reward, they won a big pizza party on Friday at lunchtime.

Well done 7LHu, keep up the good work!

Ms Hunnisett

Creative Cook School



Another great day at Creative Cook School!

Stars of the week were Samsul, he was really engaged in the kitchen, during the music sessions and with the games. Ayman was fantastic, on arrival he was chatting with everyone, and got stuck in with all the activities of the day. Also, Sophie was fantastic, she practically did a little of everything! Jamil prepared all the jacket potatoes himself!

Students went to Jamie Oliver's Fifteen, where staff showed the group how to make ricotta filled ravioli!

Ms J Taylor

Attendance Figures

for 4th March 2019 – 8th March 2019

Tutor Group	Attendance Percentage	Tutor Group	Attendance Percentage
7ABr	99.20%	10AHo	96.60%
7ARo	97.10%	10AHq	94.50%
7JBi	99.60%	10CKi	97.70%
7LGi	97.60%	10CMc	99.80%
7LHu	99.10%	10HSi	98.30%
Year 7	98.40%	10LGu	94.70%
		Year 10	96.80%
8AFI	98.50%		
8HRa	97%	11ABa	96.40%
8MBe	93.80%	11AOf	97.80%
8MCA	97.80%	11AWe	98.20%
8MVa	100%	11BHo	99.20%
8SAn	94.30%	11RCo	95.50%
Year 8	97%	11SWr	97.50%
		11TMs	92.70%
9AHe	99%	Year 11	96.80%
9JLa	100%		
9KHo	96.70%	12HOp	94.70%
9MPr	97.90%	12NHi	91.90%
9MRh	96.60%	Year 12	94.10%
9NHu	98.70%		
Year 9	98.20%		
		13NYa	98.90%
		13PMa	96%
		13SBm	98.80%
		Year 13	97.70%

Book Review

Divergent by Veronica Roth



This book is about a girl named Tris who lives in a world separated by factions decided by your personality. When Tris finds out she is divergent (mixture of factions) her life is at risk. This book was recommended to me by a friend who said it was thrilling.

This book is very addictive and made me want to read more. I would recommend this book if you like reading thrilling stories about alternative worlds (eg Hunger Games, Divergent series)

Simra Chowdhury – Year 8

BEHEARD WORKSHOP

YOUTH VOICE AND
REPRESENTATION:
HOW TO DO
YOUR PART TO
BEHEARD

YOUNG PEOPLE'S

QUESTION TIME

WHERE YOU ARE

I JUST WANT TO BE WHERE YOU ARE

LANSBURY
SPOTLIGHT,
30 HAY
CURRIE ST,
POPLAR,
E14 6GN

TUESDAY
19TH MARCH
5PM-7PM

PREPARE FOR THE
YOUNG PEOPLE'S
QUESTION TIME WITH
THE HELP OF LOCAL
COUNCILLORS, THE
YOUNG MAYOR AND
COMMUNITY LEADERS.

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IN
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Overview

Workshop themes will be led by the Youth IAG. Topics could include:

- Stop & Search
- Anti-Social Behaviour
- Violence with Injury
- Child grooming
- Breck Foundation & online safety
- Acid attacks
- Fake news
- Drug chains
- Gender based violence

Sessions will include trips, police demonstrations, consultations, campaigns and events.

Why Join

- Free training & professional development
- Travel expenses paid for
- Potential to go on to become paid ambassadors
- Counts towards volunteering experience and references provided

Commitment

Meetings take place on a fortnightly basis during term time between 6PM-8PM

More Info

To find out more please email:
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Location

Bromley South Spotlight
(near Devons Road DLR)

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