

Happy New Year to all students, staff, parents/carers and Governors. All the very best for 2020 to everyone who is part of our community.

## Welcome back to the Spring term at Mulberry Academy Shoreditch!

### Staff Inset Day

On Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January the school opened, but just for staff as we had an Inset Day. Staff spent the morning looking at Safeguarding, the school's Curriculum and also looking at how we enhance and encourage further Literacy and word learning with students. There was a market place of activities that staff took part in to learn from each other including techniques that are working effectively. It was an industrious and useful day used to further improve effective ways of teaching students at the school.



### Year 11 Maths and English Parents' Evening

On Tuesday evening, Year 11 parents came in for a special targeted event with the Maths and English departments following the Mock exams in December. It was a very positive evening with lots of useful and helpful conversations happening for students, parents and teachers. Thanks to Ms McRill, Ms Wallace and Ms Flood for leading on this.



### Trip to Lausanne to see the Youth Winter Olympics

Good luck to Mr Stokes, Ms Bartlett and Ms Hassan and the students going to Lausanne in Switzerland for their first International House trip. We can't wait to see and hear all about it.

### Into University

Year 10 students have started this term by attending workshops about University applications. Every Year 10 student will be part of the programme regarding their destinations and choices post 16. Thanks to Ms Miller and Ms Taylor for leading on this.

**Thank you, Mrs Ruth Holden - Executive Principal**

### Sixth Form

#### Scholarship Awards

Very exciting news to welcome in 2020 for 20 of our Year 12 students who were shortlisted and won the £300 scholarship award and Donte Book Subscription. Students were tasked with writing an assignment about their hopes for the future and individuals who inspired them. Hibak Ahmed wrote an inspirational piece about her mother and Abdullah Jalil about the inspiration he gained from the life's work of Mahatma Gandhi. It was an incredibly difficult process to narrow down the 20 winners and our congratulations to all who participated. Students will also be invited to the Trust Annual Lecture in February 2020.

#### Year 12 Enrichment

Year 12 begun their new enrichment programme for this half term. New courses are being offered including First Aid training with St John's Ambulance, netball and Spanish.

#### Year 13 Mock Results and UCAS

The Christmas term ended with Year 13 receiving their Mock Exam results. Although many did exceptionally well, there is still lots of hard work ahead. Each student has set themselves individual targets and a huge thank you to all the Parents/Carers who supported in developing the plans in the parent & student review meetings which took place on Thursday. We would also like to say a huge well done to all students for having completing their UCAS applications.

**Ms Wallace – Head of Sixth Form**



Artwork by Ruqayah Chowdhury Year 12

## UKMT Senior Mathematics Challenge Results



Congratulations to the following students who gained bronze certificates from the UKMT Senior Mathematics Challenge.

Year 12:

- Ismail Hussain – Best in the school
- Inaya Yasmin
- Jabir Mohamed

Year 13

- Fahmida Akther – Best in the Year Group
- Abutorab Islam
- Musa Ibrahim

Ms Flood

## Medication in School



In all cases where medication needs to be given throughout the school day we ask for you to complete a 'Request to Administer Medication' form (these are available at Reception). This is also required for medication which needs to be in school at all times, though may only be needed in certain situations rather than taken daily, e.g. epipens or asthma pumps.

We also ask you to keep us informed of any changes to your child's health as it is vital in ensuring the correct level of care is given. Some students may require an Individual Health Plan which the School Nurse will manage and work with parents/carers to complete. The school will only accept prescribed medicines that are:

- In-date (it is the parent/carers responsibility to keep a note of when medicines expire)
- Labelled with the child's name
- Provided in the original container, as dispensed by the pharmacist, and include instructions for administration, dosage and storage

Please contact the school if you require any more information regarding any medical condition.

Ms Healy