



Creative Writing Competition

The variety of entries we received for the first Inter-House Creative Writing Competition proved how much creative flair we have here at Mulberry Academy Shoreditch. A huge well done to Shaima Year 7 (winner), Tazkiyah Year 7 (runner up) and Mas'ud Year 9, Tianna Year 11 and Liza Year 7 (joint third) for championing Thames and Barbican as the finalists! Their entries stood out for the judging panel who were impressed by the imagination, fluency and structure of these talented students.

Mulberry Academy Shoreditch Visits Oxford and Cambridge University!!!

Well done to the Top of the Mocks Year 11 students who earned their trip to Cambridge University on Thursday. These students achieved the top grades in the Christmas Mocks and for that they had the pleasure of going with Ms McRill to visit one of the best Universities in the world to inspire them even further to even better grades and success. Well done!

Thanks to Ms Flood and Ms Medina who have run our Mathematics Brilliant Club throughout the year and the final for our students – the end of year celebration was at the Oxford University on Thursday. A huge well done to staff and the students from Year 9 and 10 who have been involved and brilliant!



Oxford



Cambridge

Assemblies at the school

As Headteacher of the school, I try to attend as many assemblies as I can during each week. This week it was House assemblies each morning. On Monday, I had the pleasure of watching a group of students perform a powerful piece of Drama to Thames House students in preparation for the Youth Summit with Citizens UK that we are participating in as a school.



Think-in event

Year 12 students attended the 'Think-in' session at Mulberry Girls' school on Thursday where I have been told that they 'shone' in terms of their participation. Well done to; Catia Djalo Camara, Tracy Bediako, Marilyn Charlotte Osei Abeyie, Mohammed Abu Tahmid Miah, Hiba Bouadlaoui, Humayra Anjum, Evita Stankeviciute and Fahim Jamal.

Notices:

- Tracking for Years 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 is being sent to parents/carers next week.

Message from the Department for Education (DfE) regarding Coronavirus:

- You should not be unduly worried about the possibility of your children catching the Coronavirus. There is no reason why your children should not continue to attend their early years, school or further education setting as normal.
- We recognise that some families or children may be planning to travel to China during the forthcoming half term period. If so, please refer to the FCO's latest travel advice via this link <https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/china>.

Thank you, Mrs Ruth Holden - Executive Principal

Sixth Form

Cambridge Awaits

Abdirahman Omer in Year 12 was successful in securing a place at insights into Cambridge sessions held at Cambridge University. Abdirahman spent a day in Cambridge finding out about the application process, here is what he had to say about it. "It was a fantastic opportunity to find out more about the University and application in general. I had no idea just how competitive it is but was pleased to meet actual students and professors who gave us advice. Being in Cambridge was completely different, it's such a beautiful city. It has really made me more determined to work and go the extra mile to achieve at sixth form and get to Cambridge". Best of luck Abdirahman.

National Apprenticeship Week

This week is National Apprenticeship Week. Many of the Year 13s have been applying for top end apprenticeships. This week Yassir Saadani El-Allali went to a final stage interview at KPMG with other students having interviews at Ernst & Young and Deloitte next week. On Friday students will be attending the Digital media apprenticeship fair to support understanding of the vast array of roles in the digital media employment world. After half term Year 12 and 13 students will be attending the London Apprenticeship fair at the Emirates stadium.

Year 12 Visit Tate Modern

On Wednesday, students from the Year 12 culture club visited the Tate Modern as part of their enrichment programme. French culture has been the focus of their lessons, and visiting the Tate Modern was a wonderful opportunity for students to see some of the most celebrated French works of art. Paintings included *Water-Lilies* by the French Impressionist painter Claude Monet and one of Henri Matisse's cut outs, *The Snail*. The visit also involved a tour of some of the most iconic landmarks in London. Students walked through the grounds of St Paul's cathedral and took in the views of London from the Millennium Bridge. It was a gloriously sunny day and enjoyed by all.

Ms Wallace – Head of Sixth Form

Ms Boyer





On Friday 24th January, I had the pleasure of having a pizza lunch with 10 students from Year 10 who have made the most progress in their recent reports. These students have worked hard and have made the most progress across all their subjects in the last half term.

I am very proud of them all! Congratulations to: Anisa Ahmed, Evani Harradine, Taher Kadir, Khalid Ali, Muna Mohamed, Frederick Cox, Tarteela Muntaha, Ismaeel Ahmed, Wilfred Birch Carter, Rosina Barbara.

Ms Taylor

Attendance Figures 27th January – 31st January 2020

Tutor Group	Attendance Percentage	Tutor Group	Attendance Percentage
7A	97.6%	10A	97.2%
7B	96.2%	10B	98.6%
7C	96.2%	10C	96.6%
7D	96.7%	10D	95.9%
7E	99.2%	10E	96.3%
7F	91.5%	10F	95.3%
7G	94.4%	Year 10	96.65%
Year 7	95.97%		
		11A	98.5%
8A	94.8%	11B	97.9%
8B	97.7%	11C	95.4%
8C	96.4%	11D	96.7%
8D	93.6%	11E	98.6%
8E	97.4%	11F	98%
Year 8	95.98%	11G	90.7%
		Year 11	96.54%
9A	87.4%		
9B	97.8%	12A	86.7%
9C	94.2%	12B	97.7%
9D	96%	12C	96.6%
9E	94.1%	12D	95.8%
9F	88.1%	12E	95.2%
Year 9	92.93%	Year 12	94.4%
		13A	96.9%
		13B	96.5%
		Year 13	96.7%



Photography homework by Shakera Ali Year 9

House Football Tournament



Friday 31st January saw the first ever Inter-house Football tournament. The competition started early Friday morning and ran throughout the day, with the grand finals in the evening. Overall, there were 4 finals to be played after school. The sports hall was packed to the rafters with football fans from each house, eagerly awaiting the 4 showdowns. Each house was split into 4 teams; Year 7-8 boys, Year 9-10 boys, Year 12 boys and a girls team spanning all year groups. In the end, Thames, Tower and Trafalgar came out on top of the 4 finals with each winning team receiving 10 house points per player. Thank you to all staff and students that came to support and well done to each and every footballer. You did your houses proud!

The Brilliant Club – Oxford University Graduation



Group 1 "Black Holes: Quantum effects on Black Holes"	
TRUONG Cassie	1 st
GASKIN Juliann Danielle Monique	1 st
MAH Safoan	3 rd
SAADANI ALLALI Janan	2:1
KAMAL Imran Ahmed	1 st
RAHMAN Umayya	1 st
ISLAM Muhammad Adeel Zeeshan	2:1
DAWIT Nebeyu Nolawi	1 st
SARKER Sara Tasnim	1 st
BIN MUNIM Yusuf	2:2
HAQUE Muhammed Ehsanul	1 st
TALUKDER Huzaifa Ali	2:2
Group 2 "Stem Cells: Engineering the Haematopoietic System"	
TEEVANA Manha	2:1
ALI Khalid Ahmed	2:2
JAHAN Nuzhat	2:2
CHOUDHURY Zaqwan Hasan	2:1
SCHAFFER Shahren	2:2
MUHTADI Ahmed Abdullah	1 st
RAHMAN Musa	2:1
HOQUE SUHEL Md Samiul	1 st
ALAM JOY Abid	1 st with **distinction
MOHAMED Yusra	1 st with *distinction

On Thursday 6th February we took our Brilliant Club Year 9 and Year 10 STEM students to The University of Oxford to graduate from their programme.

"I just wanted to let you know, the students on this placement have been the highest achieving I've had over the last 5 years. So you can be very proud of your students. They were all round intelligent, hardworking, engaged, well-mannered and showed a great culture. I would say that the learning culture the school has fostered with your students is probably the key reason they all did so well" Bill Grey, The Francis Crick Institute.

Huge congratulations to the students for their hard work and independence. Their marks for their University style assignment are above.

Ms Flood

Ernst & Young Employability Workshop

Thirty-three Year 10 students attended an Employability Workshop at Ernst & Young LLP on Tuesday 28th January 2020. Students had careers advice from successful business mentors, looked at what makes a good CV and interview techniques. Ernst & Young staff were really impressed with students engagement and ideas throughout.

Ms Taylor



SOCIAL MEDIA APPS

guide for parents

YOUTUBE



YouTube is a place to house and share your videos.

Inappropriate content has been sliced into both all-ages content and children's content. Also, comments on videos can be extremely inappropriate and hurtful

KIK



Kik is a mobile app that people can use to text with friends at high speed and with more of a "face-to-face feel" than regular texting

The app is rated ages 17+, but there is no age verification so anyone can download it

SNAPCHAT



Snapchat is an app that allows users to send photos and videos that disappear after they're received. It's rated ages 12+

Some kids are using the app to send racy pics because they believe the images can't be saved and circulated.

INSTAGRAM



Users can add cool filters or create collages of their photos and share them across Facebook and other social media platforms.

The app is rated 13+ and may be slightly tamer than Tumblr, but users can still find mature or inappropriate content and comments throughout the app

TIK TOK



TikTok is an app for creating and sharing short videos.

Thirteen is the minimum age, but there isn't a real way to validate age so anyone can download the app

FACEBOOK



Facebook is an app for friends to connect and share photos/videos and information about their lives.

Thirteen is the minimum age, but there isn't a real way to validate age so anyone can download the app

Ms Healy

Mulberry Think-in with Jude Kelly



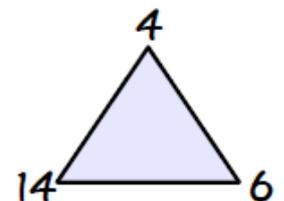
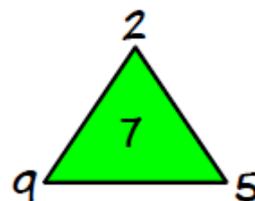
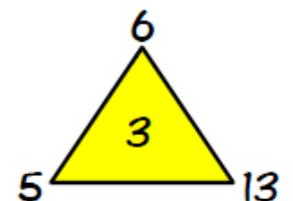
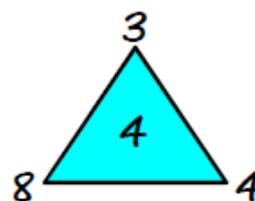
On Wednesday 5th February, I took eight Year 12 students to Mulberry School for Girls where they participated in a workshop hosted by Jude Kelly CBE - former artistic director of Southbank Centre and founder of the WOW (Women Of the World) Festival.

The 'Think-in' session featured students from each school in Mulberry Schools Trust engaging in topical debate. Our students flourished at the event - making insightful contributions to the discussions that covered topics of gender, nationality, race and politics. Ms Kelly praised their efforts and was highly impressed with their attentiveness. I was incredibly proud of our students for showcasing how excellent they are and the promise they have for the future.

Mr Hibbs

Maths Quiz

Which number should go in the empty triangle?



1. Find The Path

Here is one solution:
 $5 + 7 + 6 + 6 + 9 + 4 + 5 + 7 + 4 = 53$

4	9	7	7	4
8	9	4	5	7
6	6	4	9	9
7	8	8	8	6
5	5	6	5	5

A tougher challenge is to find a route to make 60.

Last week's answer

DON'T ★ MISS THE

Mulberry
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HAIRSPRAY AUDITIONS

DATE:
WEDNESDAY

26TH

FEBRUARY

LOCATION:
MAIN HALL

TIME:
1.30pm-4.30pm

Join the
all-singing
all-dancing
cast of Hairspray

PLEASE SEE MISS HIGDON
FOR FURTHER DETAILS ON AUDITION
EXTRACTS AND SONGS TO LEARN
IN PREPARATION IF GOING FOR A MAIN PART.

Mulberry Shoreditch loves its alumni

This week is National Apprenticeship Week.



Apprenticeships

National Apprenticeship Week
3 to 9 February 2020

Last Friday, alumnus Fardeed Chowdhury came in to speak to some of our sixth formers about how to apply for a top apprenticeship.

Fardeed left MAS last summer and is currently learning and earning on an apprenticeship with Siemens.

Fardeed's top advice for students applying for top level apprenticeships:

- Apply to loads to ensure you don't miss out (I applied to 17!). Don't be disheartened, with practice you will make it!
- Do as many extra-curricular activities as you can- to be a competitive applicant you need to show you are pro-active and make the most of opportunities

- Constantly think about how to market yourself as employable (i.e. When have you shown resilience? Teamwork? Overcome a challenge? Leadership?)
- Research the companies you are applying to, impress them with your knowledge

Thank you so much to Fardeed for supporting our students! And thank you to Mr Matsangos and Mr Singh for arranging the visit.



CALLING ALL PARENT ALUMNI

WE NEED YOU!

RE-CONNECT TODAY AND JOIN US IN MAKING A DIFFERENCE TO THE LIVES OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY.

WE CAN'T WAIT TO HEAR FROM YOU.

- Reconnect with your peers at our next Alumni Reunion
- Be a 1-to-1 Year 7 reading mentor
- Offer career or educational advice
- Tutor students in your area of expertise
- Host a young person for work experience

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