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Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

Firstly, I would like to send you my good wishes to you and your families and I hope you are all in good health.

**Please find attached our Newsletter, I hope that you enjoy it!  
Please also look at our website regularly to see our news and updates.**

## News about the school

### An amazing event in half term with Lewis Hamilton and Toto Woolf from Formula 1

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Please see attached to this letter the press release that Mercedes-Benz Grand Prix Ltd released about the event in half term and the partnership moving forward.

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## Half term school was extremely successful

Year 11 and 13 students did very well in the two week half term break attending GCSE and A level lessons which were provided for all subjects. Thank you to all teachers who came in to teach and thank you to Mr Collis, Ms Taylor and Ms Milton in particular, who organised the timetables for the students. Clearly students wanted to catch up academically following the lockdown period last year, and this school will do everything that it can to make that happen.

## Sixth Form Event

We have just had a fantastic afternoon with all of our Year 11 students at our Sixth Form Open Afternoon event. This has come at the end of a week where all students have been looking at the Sixth Form, meeting the team and finding out about what we offer after Year 11. The event was really successful and gave our students the chance to talk to Sixth Form subject teachers about the subjects they can do and what they can lead to. We cannot wait to start receiving application forms next week.

## Videos about the school

Please do look at our two wonderful videos to watch and they are on our website, but here are the links to them, please watch and enjoy:

The first is to show what our school is all about

<https://vimeo.com/470494955>

The second is for Year 6 Parents and students with regard to applying for your school in September, but it is lovely to watch

<https://vimeo.com/458600394>

## Covid 19

**If your child has Covid Symptoms and you have sent for a test, please do not send your child into school until they have received a negative test result.**

Please go on to our website and click on the special section called Covid 19 for all up to date advice and guidance from the Department for Education and from Public Health for England and from the school.

Well done again for the high attendance from students and staff on Microsoft Teams. I am proud of the way that the students and staff have found a way to teach and learn effectively. As well as our teachers and staff being brilliant at delivering lessons to students on Microsoft teams, they have also made it a priority to ensure that students' welfare is good and that they are doing everything they should for school.

## Notices and reminders for all students and parents

There is hand sanitiser available all over the school and each year group will be taught in their own bubble with their own classrooms, desk, chairs and toilets.

For normal schools days, a face mask must be worn by all students and staff in all circulation spaces and fluid areas of the school at all times. Students must wear full school uniform to school and Sixth Formers must wear business dress.

All Government guidelines are in place and that students and staff are safe.

Thank you for working with the school in this difficult and challenging time.

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ruth Holden".

Mrs Ruth Holden  
Executive Principal

## Press Information

Thursday 5 November 2020

### Mulberry Schools Trust launches innovative new STEM provision in partnership with Mercedes-Benz Grand Prix Ltd

- Inspirational programme in science, technology, engineering and maths
- Providing the foundations for a lasting commitment between the two partners
- Virtual launch took place with Lewis Hamilton, Toto Wolff and 150 Mulberry students today

The Mulberry Schools Trust is excited to announce today an innovative new partnership with Mercedes-Benz Grand Prix Ltd and the launch of the Mulberry STEM Academy – a Saturday/holiday provision that will provide a place of learning, inspiration and innovation for young people. It will be a powerful supplementary provision for STEM (science, technology, engineering and maths) education and, working together with Mercedes-Benz Grand Prix Ltd, it will offer a world-class programme of vocational training, specialised study and masterclasses for students aged 7-18 within the Mulberry family of schools and beyond.

To celebrate this significant occasion and to coincide with the partnership launch, Mercedes-Benz Grand Prix Ltd has arranged for Lewis Hamilton and Toto Wolff to join students from Mulberry Academy Shoreditch, Mulberry School for Girls and Mulberry UTC in a broadcast from the team's headquarters in Brackley, Northamptonshire.

The provision will run on Saturdays during term time and school holidays for local young people who have talent, passion and aptitude in STEM, computing, physical science and design. It will offer a comprehensive and integrated curriculum, focusing on the long-term development, strength and needs of each student. Our students are bright, have a passion for STEM fields and will benefit from non-traditional teaching methods, such as industry specific and project-based learning to supplement and enhance the more mainstream teaching they receive in their classrooms and laboratories.

Whilst schools within the Mulberry Schools Trust achieve well and currently have progress well above the national average in many areas, we recognise that our students do not routinely enter degree courses and apprenticeships in STEM compared to other science related pathways. Our schools have worked hard for many years to place our students – most of whom are from Black, Asian and minority ethnic and disadvantaged backgrounds – at the forefront of STEM industries, but the dial has not moved fast enough. Representation from these groups amongst the respective workforce is low in skilled areas and it is particularly complex at the intersection of gender and ethnicity\*. The establishment of this new provision takes explicit, positive action to address this early on in a child's educational life.

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The Mulberry Schools Trust and Mercedes-Benz Grand Prix Ltd are unafraid to go where the challenge is high. Both work within the territory of marginal gains to achieve success in their respective fields. They thrive on team spirit and an enjoyment of high performance – be it in the classroom pedagogy and practice or technical prowess on the race track. With their core values aligned, the partnership provides the foundations on which a deep, long-term commitment can be built. This crucial investment is required if the STEM provision is to change the picture, transform lives and develop a pipeline of talent into the Formula One workforce from amongst the youth of East London.

The provision will give students access to inspirational role models, imaginative teaching and rich extra-curricular experiences over a five-year period. Graduates will leave with a passport into engineering, design and science-based industries and be highly desirable employees for Mercedes-Benz Grand Prix Ltd and other related sectors.

**Toto Wolff, CEO of Mercedes-Benz Grand Prix Ltd commented:** “*We are very proud today to announce our new partnership with the Mulberry Schools Trust and to continue our journey towards making a positive contribution to the future engineers and scientists of the next generation. This is a deeply important project for us and the result of a great deal of thought into how best we might make a lasting contribution to promoting diversity and inclusion within our industry. I know myself and all our team are passionate about the success of this programme and we look forward to welcoming the first attendees of the Mulberry STEM Academy and exploring how we can best support their learning journey. Providing practical workplace experience and access to opportunities will be key to breaking down the barriers these students face when aspiring to their future careers and we are proud to be part of a project which will set them on a path to strengthening the STEM capabilities of our industry in years to come. The Mulberry Schools Trust is a hugely impressive organisation that shares our core values and we are honoured to be working with them. If the passion, enthusiasm, respect and excellence that I witnessed today during our virtual event with students from the Mulberry Schools today is anything to go by, this is going to be a very exciting, rewarding and successful venture.”*

**Lewis Hamilton continued:** “*I was honoured to join the virtual event today to launch the new STEM Academy and to see the enthusiasm, intelligence and commitment of the Mulberry students for myself. It's so important that, as a sport, we do all that we can to ensure we are as inclusive as possible. Increasing young people's access to STEM and, ultimately, paving the way to careers in our industry is a brilliant way to do this. Creating a sport that is more representative of society is something very personal and important to me, and this partnership shows a real commitment from Mercedes to build a legacy that goes beyond motorsport. The STEM Academy is a fantastic opportunity to make a difference and I'm proud to work alongside my team, in partnership with the Mulberry Schools Trust, to open doors for these students which might otherwise have been closed, and to give them the opportunity to excel. Providing young people from diverse and often disadvantaged backgrounds with the confidence and resources to implement change in their own lives is one of the strongest tools that we have to build a fairer and more equal future. I'm looking forward to seeing how the students progress and, judging by the questions I received today, I have every faith we will see some of them fulfilling their dreams of working in motorsport in the future!*”

**Jane Farrell, Chair of the Mulberry Schools Trust said:** “*We are delighted that Mercedes-Benz Grand Prix Ltd is partnering with us on this exciting new venture. This partnership will provide access to world class innovation and performance that match the ambitions of our students and the communities that they live in. It's our job to ensure that we create opportunities that encourage the development of the skills and confidence that will lead to fantastic employment opportunities in specialised industries that too often miss out on the talents of our truly diverse and brilliant students. I would like to thank Mercedes-Benz Grand Prix for seeing their potential and creating a true partnership of learning and opportunity.*”

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**Dr Vanessa Ogden, CEO of the Mulberry Schools Trust and Headteacher of Mulberry School for Girls continued:** *"The first-class learning experiences our students will receive through this deeply thoughtful partnership between Mercedes-Benz Grand Prix Ltd and the Trust will deliver a pipeline of talent into science and engineering industries over the next few years. Equality, diversity and inclusion are at the heart of our work and we do all we can to provide young people in our schools with the opportunities they deserve at university and in industry. We must move the dial much quicker than we have in the UK to meet our students' aspirations and fulfil their potential. Mercedes-Benz Grand Prix recognises this and I am glad to work with such like-minded partners as Lewis Hamilton, Toto Wolff and all their colleagues in our efforts to really shift structural inequality for good, starting early in young people's lives through education and workplace experience."*

**Paul Mills, Chief People Officer at Mercedes-Benz Grand Prix Ltd concluded:** *"It has been a pleasure working closely with the leaders and teachers at the Mulberry Schools Trust over the past few months as we have established our new STEM Academy. I would particularly like to extend my thanks and appreciation to Jane Farrell and Dr Vanessa Ogden for their vision and commitment to our joint endeavour. I have already taken learnings from them which will be of benefit to our team, and I am confident that this learning will go both ways in the future. Unfortunately, we have not been able to visit the Mulberry Schools as yet due to Covid-19 restrictions, but we very much look forward to being able to do so and meeting the students in person. I am honoured and excited to be joining the steering group for our STEM Academy programme and look forward to working with the Trust and our employees at Mercedes-Benz Grand Prix to make a real difference to the Mulberry students over the course of our long-term commitment."*

\* Engineering UK 2018: 9% are of Black, Asian and minority ethnic background; 12% are women; 24% are of low socio-economic background

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**NOTES TO EDITORS**

**About the Mulberry Schools Trust**

The Mulberry Schools Trust is a flourishing multi-academy trust set up in 2016 in Tower Hamlets. The family of schools includes Mulberry Academy Shoreditch, Mulberry School for Girls and Mulberry UTC, and it is currently working with the Local Authority and the Department for Education to build a new school in Wapping – Mulberry Academy London Dock. The Trust believes in the power of local partnerships with families, other schools and the communities that it serves.

Mulberry Academy Shoreditch and Mulberry School for Girls are graded 'Outstanding' by Ofsted and Mulberry UTC, a relatively new school, was graded 'Good' by Ofsted earlier this year. Attainment and progress of schools within the Mulberry Schools Trust is significantly above the national average at GCSE and A Level.

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The Trust takes great pride in its extensive network of partners, covering all key areas: education, business, community and culture including the University of Cambridge, the Prince's Trust, Barts Health NHS Trust, Bank of America Merrill Lynch, the British Film Institute, the National Theatre and the WOW Foundation. Each of its partnerships contribute to and enrich the curriculum offer for students and form an integral part of the Trust's unique and inspiring learning environment. These strong collaborative partnerships provide students with exceptional opportunities which support and enhance their learning including practical activities, trips, motivational speakers, school visits and mentoring.

Above all, the Trust's partnership activities broaden students' horizons and takes their learning beyond the classroom.

**Digital Channels & Resources:**

**Websites:** [www.mulberryschoolstrust.org](http://www.mulberryschoolstrust.org)  
[www.mulberryschoolstrust.org/stemacademy](http://www.mulberryschoolstrust.org/stemacademy)

**Twitter:** @MulberryTH

**About Mercedes-Benz Grand Prix Ltd**

The Mercedes-AMG Petronas Formula One Team is the works Formula One Team of Mercedes-Benz, competing in the FIA Formula One™ World Championship – the pinnacle of world motorsport and the largest annual sporting series in the world.

Based at two world-class technology campuses in the UK, the team designs, develops, manufactures and races the race cars and Hybrid Power Units driven by six-time World Champion Lewis Hamilton and race-winning team-mate Valtteri Bottas.

Formula One is a uniquely demanding technical and human challenge, requiring the right alchemy of cutting-edge technologies, high-performance management and elite teamwork to deliver results at 22 Grands Prix around the globe in a race season running from March to December.

The Mercedes-AMG Petronas Formula One Team has set new benchmarks for F1™ success on its way to winning the Constructors' World Championships in 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020\*. During those seven Championship-winning seasons, the team scored 100 wins, 200 podiums, 107 pole positions, 70 fastest laps and 53 one-two finishes from 134 race starts\*\*.

\*Subject to official confirmation by the FIA of the results of the 2020 FIA Formula One™ World Championship

\*\*Statistics accurate up to the 2020 Emilia Romagna Grand Prix

**Digital Channels & Resources:**

**Media Site:** [media.mercedesamgf1.com](http://media.mercedesamgf1.com)  
**Websites:** [mercedesamgf1.com](http://mercedesamgf1.com)  
[mercedesamgf1.com/en/sustainability/](http://mercedesamgf1.com/en/sustainability/)

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# This Week

NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM YOUR SCHOOL

## Executive Principal's News



Mulberry Shoreditch fully engaged in Remembrance activities for 11TH November. The school observed a 2 minute silence on Wednesday and we had some beautiful displays - thank you to the History Department and Leonie Allister who helped put this together.

*For the Fallen by Laurence Binyon*

"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:  
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning  
We will remember them."

## Partnership with Mercedes-Benz Grand Prix Ltd

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## Year 7 Music group

I have been delighted to see the Year 7 Music tutor group doing fantastic things during their tutor time each morning. The tutor group compromises of the students who played an instrument at Primary school and are continuing with their instrument here with us. Delighted to hear great music first thing in the morning.



## Notices

All students must bring a mask to school and must wear it around the buildings

Thank you,

**Mrs Ruth Holden**  
Executive Principal

## Sixth Form Update

This week has seen us working a lot with year 11 students during our Sixth Form application week. I have been visiting all students in their tutor groups to talk about what we will offer them in the Sixth Form next year. Students also completed activities on post Sixth Form destinations and filled in a survey about what they would like to see in the Sixth Form.

On Friday afternoon this week, students will be meeting Sixth Form subject teachers in our

special Sixth Form Open Afternoon. During this time they will be able to speak to their teachers, ask questions about their subjects and think about what they want to study next year. Students will also receive packs which will tell them more about the Sixth Form and give them a chance to apply straight away. The Sixth Form team cannot wait to meet all of the year 11 students.

**K Frankum**  
Director of Sixth Form

IN YEAR 11?  
**JOIN YOUR SIXTH FORM**

APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS WORTH UP TO £500

TALK TO YOUR TEACHERS ABOUT YOUR SUBJECTS YOUR AMBITIONS YOUR CHOICES

# Mulberry Adademy Shoreditch loves its alumni

**alumnus,  
alumna (*n*): a  
former member  
of an institution.**

We love watching our students grow throughout their time at Mulberry and we don't forget you when you leave either! You become part of our alumni community.

**What does this mean?**

We host a yearly reunion party so you can catch up with old friends and teachers.

We invite you back to inspire future generations of students with your success stories.

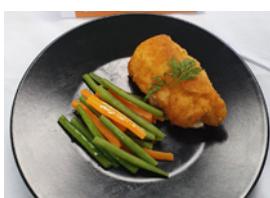
We continue to give you access to exciting career-building opportunities.

**Congratulations to alumnus Manazar Dahir, who left MAS Sixth Form last year.**

Manazar is one of only 20 applicants selected for an exclusive 8 week employability programme with OneTech. It focuses on how to make it in the exciting and fast paced world of start-ups covering topics like networking and marketing yourself, the nature of the start-up environment and digital literacy in the workplace.

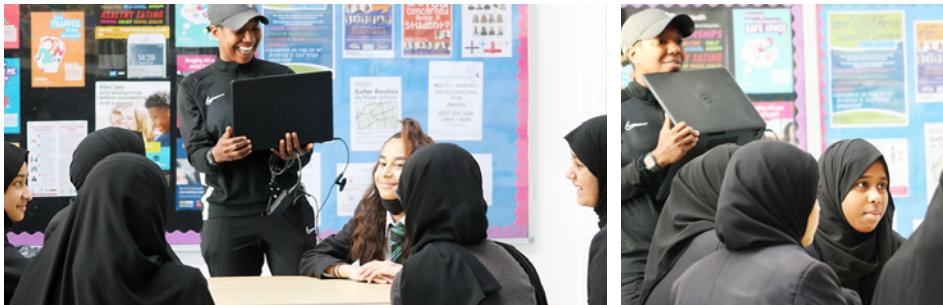
We continue to share exciting opportunities like this with all of our alumni via email.

## In pictures: Lewis Hamilton and Toto Wolff talk to Year 10 students



## Mouthwatering meals served up by Year 11s

Year 11 Hospitality students made some mouthwatering dishes during the half term holiday. Ms Howe is very proud of them all - especially Kaydeon, Amin and Abida who continue to show dedication and growth.



## Year 9 Street League workshop

On Tuesday morning, a group of Year 9 girls kicked off the first in a series of Goal workshops run by the charity Street League. Over the next few weeks they will be building their employability skills and developing economic empowerment through sports and other activities! Watch this space for news about their learning and progress in the coming weeks.



Well done to Musa Haque and Millie Oldham (Year 7), Jennifer Uddin and Khadija Islam (Year 8) and Shourov Hussain and Inaaya Ahmed (Year 9) who were awarded for their excellent organisational skills, each receiving a £10 voucher.

## Art Gallery



Left: Evani Harradine (Year 11).  
Bottom row left to right: Musa Tsang, Xian Agbloe and Ellie Flaherty (Year 7).



# MATHS PROBLEM OF THE WEEK

Did you manage to solve the maths problem this week?

These are the coins commonly used in Britain today



What is the **fewest** number of coins you need to make  
 a. 83p b. £1.34  
 c. £5.27?

**ANSWER:**

- (a)  $83p = 50p + 20p + 10p + 2p + 1p$
- (b)  $\text{£}1.34 = \text{£}1 + 20p + 10p + 2p + 2p$
- (c)  $\text{£}5.27 = \text{£}2 + \text{£}2 + \text{£}1 + 20p + 5p + 2p$   
 $88p = 50p + 20p + 10p + 5p + 2p + 2p + 1p$   
 needs six coins

## HOUSE POINTS SCOREBOARD

Tower **1481**

Globe **1490**

Tate ★ **1519**

Trafalgar **1432**

Barbican **1470**

Thames **1461**

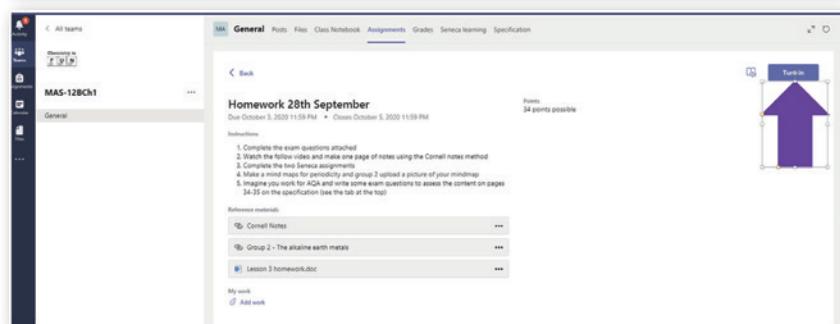
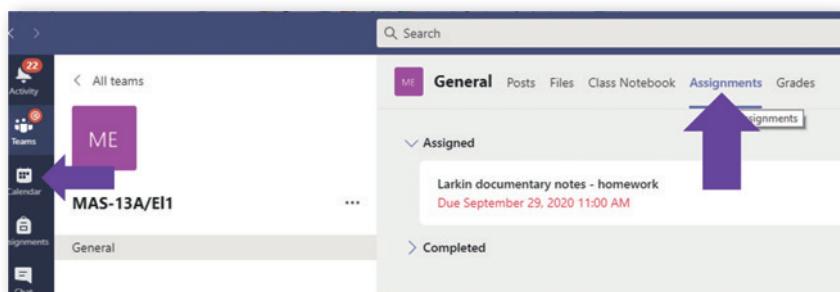
# TEAMS How to...

## ...complete an assignment

The assignments tab will show you all the assignments you have been set from the selected class.

Alternatively, you can use the assignments button in the toolbar to see all your assignments from every class

To work on an assignment, select it from the assignments list.  
You will be shown the details of the task along with any resources or worksheets the teacher has attached.  
To add work, click the 'Add Work' button – you can add new files, files from your personal OneDrive folder or files you have already created in Teams.  
When you are ready to hand in all your work – click the 'Hand in' button



### Year 7 letters to their Primary Schools

Every year we look forward to receiving these beautiful letters from the new Year 7 students at @MulberryAS It is wonderful to hear how our ex pupils are settling into secondary school. We are so proud of you all, you left us with such treasured memories. #secondary



Each year our Year 7 students write letters to their primary school Headteachers to let them know how they are settling in at MAS! Here's a lovely message from Virginia Primary School!

**Department for Education coronavirus (COVID-19) helpline**  
The Department for Education coronavirus (COVID-19) helpline is available to answer questions about coronavirus (COVID-19) relating to education and children's social care. Staff, parents and young people can contact this helpline by calling:

**Phone: 0800 046 8687**

Opening hours: Monday to Friday from 8am to 6pm, Saturday and Sunday from 10am to 4pm

# Mulberry Academy Shoreditch

## WORD OF THE WEEK

**Fundamental**

**DEFINITION**

- 1. A basic rule or principle
- 2. An essential part

**EXAMPLE**

- Hard work and determination are fundamental to success.
- Knowing times tables is fundamental to mathematics.

**SYNONYMS**

- Essential
- Basis
- Necessary

**ANTONYMS**

- Insignificant
- Unimportant

**CHARACTERISTICS**

- Something that cannot be missed out.
- The main reason/part of something.