

Executive Principal: Mrs Ruth Holden, MA, NPQH

Friday 26th March 2021

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

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

Easter Break Dates

The school will break for the Easter Holidays on **Thursday 1st April 2021** and the students will return on **Tuesday 20th April 2021** at the normal time. On **Monday 19th April** there will be a staff INSET Day and the school will be closed to all students.

We will be delivering an Easter School for **Year 10 and 12 only** from Wednesday 7th – Friday 9th April for from 9.30am – 12pm – students have been notified.

Lateral Mass Testing

This week we have given two boxes of Home Lateral Flow Test Kits to all students. Testing is voluntary but we strongly encourage you to participate to reduce the risk of transmission within the school. Tests should be taken before school and **including the Easter Holidays** on Mondays and Thursdays and all results – negative or positive are to be registered on the Government website - <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>

If your child tests positive, please register this on the Government website and then let the school know as soon as possible. Do not send your child to school if they have a positive test result.

If during the Easter holiday period up until Monday 20th April 2021, your child becomes ill and receives a positive test result for Covid19, please email parents@mulberryacademyshoreditch.org with the details.

The details must include your child's name, tutor group and the positive test result that was sent to you by Public Health England in your email. You may also take a screen shot of this.

Free School Meals

Free School Meals Vouchers will be available over Easter for eligible families. These vouchers will be posted out to families in time for the Easter Break. If you have not received your voucher by Wednesday 31st March 2021, please email FSM@mulberryacademyshoreditch.org with the name and year group of your child.

Punctuality after Easter

The school day begins promptly at 8.35am and registration closes at 8.40am. Arriving promptly makes sure that your child doesn't miss work, and that disruption to the teacher and other pupils is minimised. Persistent lateness can lead to a significant loss in learning time. If your child arrives after 8.40am they will receive a lunchtime detention.

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Masks

Masks are still to be worn in all fluid areas of the school. As per Government guidance, students should wear masks in classrooms. If any student refuses to wear a mask around the school, or forgets to bring a mask to school, they may be sent home and parents may have to be met with.

Covid 19

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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.

Yours faithfully



Mrs Ruth Holden
Executive Principal

News this week from the Executive Principal

Year 6 students' first day at Secondary school

It was amazing this week to welcome all of our new Year 7 students to the school with their parents. Students are currently Year 6 and they came with their parents to collect a pack about the school, have a one to one interview with a member of staff, meet me and the senior team and hear all about our lovely Year 6/7 Summer school which will run in August.



talk about what A level subjects they want to do and also to talk about what enrichment they would like when they join us. Well done to Ms Montgomerie and Ms Frankham for their amazing work with these students.

Notices

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

With a week to go until the end of the school term - can students please ensure that they are on time to school.

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External candidates for our Sixth form

On Tuesday evening we welcomed external students who have chosen our Sixth form to the school. It was really great to interview them and give them some personal time and space to



Sixth Form Update

This week, our year 13 students have been working hard to complete assessments in all of their subjects. They have responded so well to all the challenges they have faced and we know that this will be reflected in their grades. Well done to Year 13!

Our year 12 debate team took part in the Sheriff's Challenge Competition this week to discuss the impact of Covid. They were so disappointed to not get through to the final but they should be very proud of all the hard work they put into this project over the past few weeks. Thank you also to Ted Nicholl and Angela Squire for their

commitment in supporting our students, we could not have done it without them.

Spotlight on Sixth Form

On Tuesday we held our first event for our external applicants. It was a huge success with students coming from schools across the borough and London! The students attended the event because they are all committed to joining us in September. During this time, they were able to meet teachers and talk about their courses. They were all fantastic and we can't wait for them to join us in September.

Letters to the Future

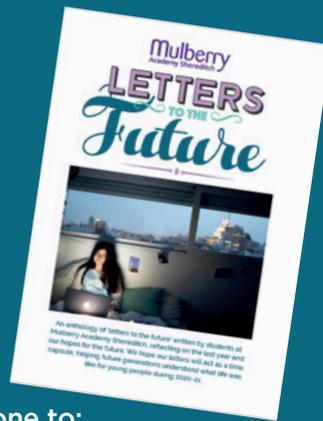
The English Department ran a competition asking students to write a letter to the future, reflecting on the last year and our hopes for the future. We hope our letters will act as a time capsule, helping future generations understand what life was like for young people during 2020-21. Read all their letters to the future at www.mulberryacademymyshoreditch.org/students-work

Here is an extract - the closing thoughts of Fahmida Rashid (Year 9 letter winner):

I strongly believe that this experience has changed society in the sense that many people have become more considerate and respectful towards others and aided them and supported them with their needs. People are more grateful for what they have. They have learnt the true meaning of loving and supporting others. They have realised how short life is and nowadays, society is all about 'living it up'. More people wish to travel and explore the natural and physical beauties of this world.

This year has given me the occasion and time to explore the different aspects of life and things that I could pursue. I have finally found what I feel most passionate about and frankly look at life as a blessing and a gift to us. We are here to live a happy life, take care of our planet and each other and fulfil the many duties that we have.

Lamentably, this letter has come to an end. So, before I end it, there are some things in which I sincerely hope you can take from this letter. Firstly, make the most of the things you have, even if they are as small as a seed. Secondly, put life in a perspective of a roller coaster, meaning that life is a roller coaster with many twists and turns. All you need to do is sit back, relax and enjoy the ride. Secondly, as a previously mentioned, always remember that as the universe expands, so will our minds. So, fill it with as much knowledge and bright memories as possible. And lastly, don't waste a single moment of your life, as you may not get the opportunity to do something you wish to do again.



Well done to:

Year 7:

Greta Kilgarrif
Ebrahim Chowdhury
Anisa Begum
Ahlam Kechairi
Aliue Sawaneh
Imani Chowdhury
Mohammed Rehan Yasin

Year 8:

Farhana Hossain
Maymuna Rahaman
Takiya Islam
Aoyon Kundu
Abdirahman Abokor
Jumara Begum
Haniya Rashid
Hafiza Yasmin
Jennifer Uddin
Pourabi Chakraborty
Fatuma Sahra Mohamed
Neemah Begum
Naima Nur Ahmed
Maria Castellari
Iqra Ahmed
Leon Martin de Barros
Umar Shah
Thays Soares Moutinho
Shaquille Henry Davis
Samantha Ezemah

Year 9:

Fahmida Rashid
Yasmin Mahek
Hansha Aktar
Imran Miah
Mehreen Chowdhury
Talha Khan

Year 10:

Josiah Burdsell
Yusra Mohamed
Fabiha Rahman
Fahim Hossain

Year 11:

Maariya Hussain
Jasmine Asca Munoz Sarmiento
Wilfred Birch Carter
Sonia Mehregan
Sara Shah

Year 8 Young Authors



A huge congratulations to all pupils who got their creative writing published in the Young Writer's Trapped Anthology 2020.

You are our future authors.

Ezinne Bako-Johnson
Zaid Abu Sittah
Jumara Begum
Muhammad Mahdi Hasan
Maryam Hussain
Chaya Tison
Mohammed Aman Ali
Anisa Rahman
Mohammed
Adnan

You are a credit to the year 8 team and MAS.



Important information from the Bangla Covid-19 Advice Project



For important information about the Covid-19 vaccination roll-out, please read the leaflet [here](#) and watch the information video at <https://youtu.be/XQ37ueZcwQk>



Introducing our Year 12 STEM Scholars

MULBERRY STEM ACADEMY

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH  MERCEDES-BENZ GRAND PRIX



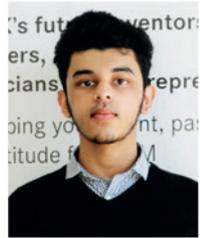
Saadaldin Yosof



Mohammed Zahir



Oghuzan Yildirim



Jamil Hassan



Ishraq Maleque



Radid Sarker Hossain



Brian Tolnai



Habib Sharif



Md Aman Khan Shahib



Habib Ali



Na'Eemah Amaanee Tahseen



Joseph Parker



Valentin Lita



Waliur Khan



Arham Amin



Sudipta Kumar Nath

JP Morgan Schools STEM Challenge

On Wednesday our Year 9 teams tuned into the awards ceremony for the JP Morgan Schools STEM Challenge.

Our two teams - Team Oxynet and Team SMP - have been working on their projects over the last few with mentors from JP Morgan.



They have learned how to develop and manage a design brief and each team worked well together to create innovative products called Alglix and Voithia.

Although they didn't win the competition, both teams were awarded a gold star commendation for presentation skills and team work, aiming high and perseverance.

Well done to both teams!

Practical PE

It's great to finally be back to practical lessons after teaching lessons online. Our students really are really embracing them. The PE department have been teaching a variety of lessons, with students finally being able to use our new amazing tennis equipment.

They all look so happy to be back in lessons, being able to enjoy challenge and competition with their peers as well as learning new skills.



Year 9 Photography Collages



Nadira Ahmed



Tamim Chowdhuri

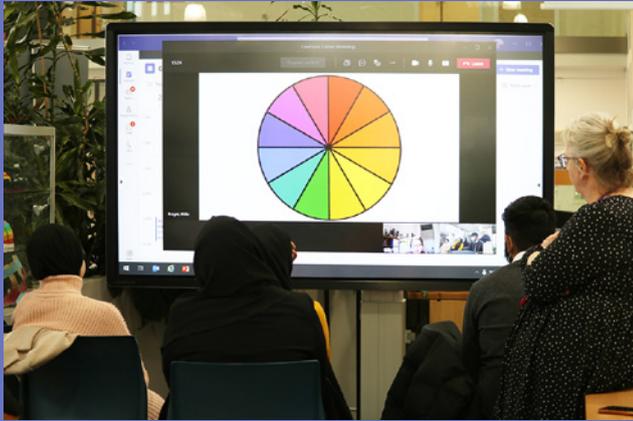


Jumayna Jannat



Mohima Chowdhury

Year 12 Colour workshop with the Courthauld Gallery



Year 12 art students enjoyed an online colour workshop with London's famous Courthauld Gallery to help them learn about mixing colour. They also learned about Pointilism, a painting technique in which small, distinct dots of color are applied in patterns to form an image.

Mulberry PE CHALLENGE

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Each week the PE department will set a different challenge for our pupils to do over the weekend, you can have as many attempts at it as you like but must bring your results to your next lesson for the teachers to put in their registers.

Each year group will have one female top scorer and one male top scorer.

However, there is a catch, when we get the results in, for example if you say you did 140 sit ups you will have to show this to us. To get your certificate and result published in the following newsletter, you will need to demonstrate to the PE department that your score is accurate, by performing it.

The PE Department's Challenge for our students this week is to do as many sit ups as you can in 2 minutes

Equipment you need

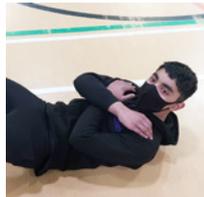
1. Clock to accurately time 2 minutes
2. A surface to perform a sit up



1. Lie down on your back.



2. Bend your legs and stabilize your lower body.



3. Cross your hands to opposite shoulders, or place them behind your ears without pulling on your neck.

4. Lift your head and shoulder blades from the ground. Exhale as you rise.

5. Lower, returning to your starting point. Inhale as you lower

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Starting Monday 19th April '21

After school Sports

3.30pm-5.00pm

BASKETBALL, FOOTBALL, TENNIS, CRICKET, TABLE TENNIS, BADMINTON

Monday	Year 7
Tuesday	Year 8
Wednesday	Year 9
Thursday	Year 10
Friday	Year 11

When it's your Year group night COME DOWN AND PLAY CHALLENGE THE PE STAFF

at a game of table tennis, badminton or tennis!

CAREER SPOTLIGHT

If you want to research this career further, log in to www.startprofile.com

Cartographer

National Careers Service

£ £18,000-£45,000

🕒 39-41 Hours per week on average

You can take a degree in geography, geographical information systems (GIS) land surveying, earth sciences or oceanography.

You'll usually need:

- 2 to 3 A Levels for a degree
- a degree in a relevant subject for postgraduate study

You could complete a geospatial survey technician advanced apprenticeship, or geospatial mapping degree apprenticeship.

You'll usually need:

4 or 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A* to C) and A Levels, or equivalent qualifications, for a higher or a degree apprenticeship.



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MATHS PROBLEM OF THE WEEK

Did you manage to solve the maths problem this week?

Knockdown



Pegs numbered 1 to 50 are placed in order in a line, with number 1 on the left.

They are then knocked over, one at a time, following these rules:

- Starting with the first standing peg on the left, alternate pegs are knocked down, until the end of the row is reached.
- Each time the end of the row is reached, repeat the previous rule.

What is the number of the last peg to be knocked down?

Answer: 32

First round: ✗ 2 ✗ 4 ... only even numbers left

Second round: ✗ 4 ✗ 8 ... only multiples of 4 left

Third round: ✗ 8 ✗ 16 ... only multiples of 8 left

Fourth round: Only multiples of 16 will be left

Fifth round: Only multiples of 32 will be left.
32 is the only multiple of 32 under 50, so 32 is the last number left.

Mindful Moments

Teachers have been starting lessons in the morning and afternoon with a few 'Mindful Moments' to support the wellbeing of students as they settle back in school after weeks in lockdown. The exercises are designed to promote a relaxing, calm and focused start to the day or to the afternoon lesson. Why not try one of the short sessions at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SEfs5TJZ6Nk>

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WORD OF THE WEEK

Wow!

Attribute

DEFINITION

A quality or feature, especially one that is considered to be good or useful.

EXAMPLE

Kindness is just one of his many attributes.

She possesses the essential attributes of a world class footballer.

SYNONYMS

Feature
Characteristic

ANTONYMS

Flaw
Defect

CHARACTERISTICS

The word 'attribute' is also a verb and means to explain something as being the result of something else. In this sense of the word, attribute is usually followed by the word 'to'.

For example, She attributed his bad temper to his ill health and old age.

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Sixth Form

ENRICHMENT

AS A SIXTH FORM STUDENT YOU WON'T JUST BE IN LESSONS. OUR ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME IS A HUGE PART OF THE OFFER AT MULBERRY ACADEMY SIXTH FORM.

JOIN US IN SEPTEMBER AND YOU COULD BE WORKING WITH:

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