

Executive Principal: Mrs Ruth Holden, MA, NPQH

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

Hope you are all well and enjoyed the Summer break!

We have had a great start to the Academic Term with students settling into their lessons nicely and are now free to move around the school for their lessons. This is great for specialist subjects such as Food Technology, Design Technology and Science! We are so happy to have a sense of normality back in the school and long may it continue!

### Welcoming new Year 7 and 12 students

This week Year 7 were in the sports hall for a week of fun activities. The students have been really creative with building towers, playing games and even had a special sports day on Thursday! It was great seeing all of the students running around and having fun! Today the students had a House Fun Day where the students played games against each other in their dedicated houses. They have all made new friends and have had so much fun!

We also had many of our Year 11 students return this week to start in our Sixth Form. We've also had a high number of external students start with us as well, which is amazing! This week the students have been settling in and have attended enrichment assemblies to see what fun activities we have planned when they are not in the classroom. We have activities such as Dance, Krav Maga, Trailfam, Boot Camp, Jewellery Making, Culture Club and much more!

### Open Sessions

This year we are running tours and presentations of the school at 9:15am Monday to Thursday from the 20<sup>th</sup> September. Please share these dates and times with your friends and family.

Please see below for a list of all dates:

**9:15 am - Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September to Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September**

**9:15am - Monday 27<sup>th</sup> September to Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> September**

**9:15am - Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October to Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October**

**Our Open Evening is on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October from 4pm – 6pm**

### Mass Testing

Our onsite testing this week has been successful and thank you to all of the staff involved in the process. Please may I remind all parents that Lateral Testing is still important and students should be taking tests twice a week from home.

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**Lateral Mass Testing is Very Important!**

Tests should be taken 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 your child becomes ill and receives a positive test result for Covid19, please email [parents@mulberryacademyshoreditch.org](mailto: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.**

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

### Welcome to the new school year 2021-2022

We have had a simply amazing start to this academic year and it feels positive and happy!! Well done to all of our students for their wonderful behaviour and attitude when coming back into school - we are so proud

### The Lake District

Ms Bartlett and Mr Stokes have taken a group of students to the Lake District this week which is wonderful as the trip had been postponed during lock down. They have been blessed with the weather.



### New Year 7 students

Our new Year 7 have had a special 'get to know each other / bonding week' where they took part in lots of lovely team building activities and sport in their Bubble in the Sports Hall



### Sixth Form Update

We have had an amazing start to the Sixth Form and are delighted to say that this year we have the biggest year 12 cohort yet! It has been fantastic to welcome back our wonderful year 11 students and also to meet all of our new students who have come from other schools in the Borough, across London, the UK and a few international destinations too. I have included a photo of the pizza party we had on the roof on Wednesday afternoon to welcome them and make the most of the



### New Year 12 students

Our new Year 12 students are amazing - nearly all of our Year 11 students stayed with us for Sixth Form and we welcome a lot of externals too. They move into their new lovely accommodation in two weeks' time.

### Year 13 Medical School talk

Emily Holden (my niece) did a fantastic talk to Year 13 students hoping to go to Medical school next year. Emily is a fourth year medical student at UAE and has a lot of experience to pass on. She will mentor a few students into their course. Well done and thank you Emily.

### Mass Testing

Thanks to Mr Collis and his team who made sure that we carried out all of our testing to those students whose parents has given consent. All has gone well and we continue to navigate around this dreadful disease.



glorious weather. All Sixth Form students have had a great start and are settled into Sixth Form already. This week we have launched our enrichment afternoon and have plans in place next week for more opportunities with trips and scholarship applications. Exciting times for the Sixth Form!



### Open sessions

If you're looking for a place for your child in September 2022, come along and visit our school. Our open mornings are:

- 9.15am from Monday 20th September to Thursday 23rd September
- 9.15am from Monday 27th September to Thursday 30th September
- 9.15am from Monday 4th October to Thursday 7th October

**Our Open Evening is on Thursday 7th October from 4 - 6pm.**

We look forward to meeting you.

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

## JustGiving™

The last year has been extremely difficult for our students. As we come out of lockdown and our school begins to return to normal, there is an urgent need to give all our students the opportunity, not just to return to the classroom, but to have fun, to experience a trip somewhere, to feel the freedom of the seaside or a camping trip and to enrich their lives and undo the mental and emotional damage that lockdown will have caused. If you feel passionate about helping us to do this for our young people aged 11-18 - please donate to our JustGiving page - no matter how little or how much - you will make a difference to children's lives and we will acknowledge this. Please visit:

**Donate at JustGiving**

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/mulberry-academy-shoreditch-fundraiser>

# Our first week at school

It's been a busy week for our new Year 7 students who have enjoyed a fun-filled programme of activities designed to give them time to work and learn together as a year group, meet new friends and get a taste of life at MAS. Here are a few captured moments from the week!



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## WORD OF THE WEEK

Wow!

# Empathy

Noun

**DEFINITION**  
The ability to understand other people's feelings and problems.

**EXAMPLE**  
The Year 10 student helped the Year 7 student look for his PE kit because he had empathy with him.  
Ellis didn't like the book because he did not have empathy for the characters.

**SYNONYMS**  
Compassion  
Understanding

**ANTONYMS**  
Apathy (a lack of interest, concern or care.)

**CHARACTERISTICS**  
From the Greek word 'empathia' meaning 'inside feeling'. We have empathy with or empathy for someone. Empathy is not the same as sympathy.

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# CHESS CLUB

Every Tuesday lunchtime at 1.00pm  
Location: Room 321  
House points for all participants

No experience necessary. Students and staff welcome!

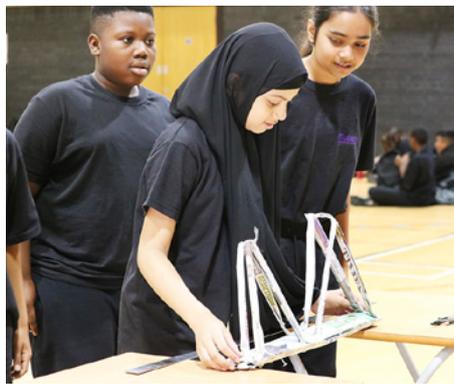
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# Sports CLUBS 2021-22

<b>Monday</b>	After School: 3.40-6.30pm Y7, 8, 9 and 10 Girls Football + Basketball Week A: Years 7+8, Week B: Years 9+10
<b>Tuesday</b>	Before School: 7.40-8.35am Y7, 8 and 9 Boys Football
<b>Wednesday</b>	After School: 3.40-6.30pm Y7, 8 and 9 Boys Football + Badminton (all years welcome)
<b>Thursday</b>	Before School: 7.40-8.35am Y7, 8 and 9 Girls Football After School: 3.40-6.30pm Girls Netball all years + BTEC drop in
<b>Friday</b>	Before School: 7.40-8.35am Years 7 and 8 Gym After School: 3.40-6.30pm Y10 Boys Football <small>* Department detention</small>

PLEASE SEE MS PITTS FOR MORE INFO



# An amazing week of work experience

## MULBERRY STEM ACADEMY

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH  MERCEDES-BENZ GRAND PRIX

**In July a group of 10 STEM Academy students were invited to spend a week at the home of the Mercedes-AMG Petronas Formula One Team in Brackley.**

The experience that the students had when taking part in the work experience at Mercedes Grand Prix headquarters was a once in a lifetime opportunity. Students were given the opportunity to work in different departments such as inspection, aerodynamics, non-destructive testing; and have a surprise private audience with Lewis Hamilton and Toto Wolff sharing advice to be successful. This experience will help our students to



stand out as they begin their UCAS application process in school. Visit <https://twitter.com/MercedesAMGF1/status/1432757577717149699> and <https://twitter.com/MercedesAMGF1/status/1425063120427491350> to see what an amazing week they enjoyed!

# Welcome to MAS Sixth Form

We were so excited to welcome so many students to our Sixth Form last Thursday on their first day in Year 12! Great to see familiar faces and a very special welcome to our external students!



Their first week included a pizza party on the roof and an introduction to Wednesday Enrichment Afternoons when they will have opportunities to take part in an exciting range of activities from Jewellery design, Fitness Boot Camp, Yoga, and Pathways to Medicine to Science Crest Awards, Powerleague and rock climbing.



Year 13 students who are thinking about applications to study Medicine enjoyed a talk and Q&A with medical student Emily Holden who spoke about her own experiences at university and gave them some really valuable tips and advice about their personal statements and about the different areas and specialisms available.

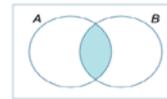


## MATHS PROBLEM OF THE WEEK

Did you manage to solve the maths problem this week?

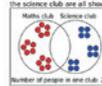
At Kaynem Daly High School, the Maths Club has 15 members and the Science Club has 12.

If a total of 13 students belong to only one of the two clubs, how many belong to both clubs?



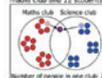
### Solution

In this first Venn diagram, the 15 students in the maths club and the 12 students in the science club are all shown as clubs, and all shown as being in only one club.



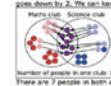
Number of people in one club: 27

Putting a student into the overlap is the same as moving one student from each side since the student in the overlap is in both clubs - there are still 15 students in the maths club and 12 students in the science club.



Number of people in one club: 25

So for every student put into the overlap, the number of students in just one club goes down by 2. We stop being going until the number of people in one club is 13.



Number of people in one club: 13  
There are 7 people in both clubs.