

Executive Principal: Mrs Ruth Holden, MA, NPQH
Friday 8th October 2021

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

Hope you are well and keeping safe. We had a great week this week, starting with our Year 7 Meet the Tutor Event and a Year 12 internal and external Open Event. We also held our Year 6 Open Evening on Thursday which saw parents from all over Tower Hamlets and Hackney visiting the school. All events went extremely well and thank you to all involved and to the parents and students who attended.

Assessment Workshops

Do you have questions about how your child is assessed or what grades on their report mean? If you do, we are holding a series of Assessment Workshops on the below dates:

Wednesday 13th October at 10am 12pm and 3.45pm in the Library

The session will last for 30 minutes and will have an opportunity to ask questions. If you are interested in attending please email info@mulberryacademyshoreditch.org and state your name, your child's name and the date and time you wish to attend.

After School Clubs

As we are now operating as normal and after school clubs have resumed, we have asked all of the students to make sure they tell their parents if they are staying behind after school to attend a club. This is to ensure that you know where they are at all times.

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.

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If 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.

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

Open mornings and evening

It has been wonderful showing parents around the School and showcasing how wonderful we are for the last three weeks. This week we also had our Open Evening - this was fantastic! We had the most families EVER attend and visit the school! We had games, a drama workshop, sport and trampolining, food, cooking and all subjects showcasing and the parents and students loved it! Thank you to all involved!



Black History Month



This month we are celebrating Black History Month and have a variety of activities going on throughout October! Thank you to Ms James for creating an excellent display!



Sixth Form Update

This week has been a busy one for the Sixth Form. On Monday we had two events take place in the afternoon. Our first was to formally welcome our new year 12 external intake and their parents to the school. With our biggest numbers yet (72), this group of students have already had a phenomenal impact on the Sixth Form, they have settled in so well and have thrown themselves into their lessons and enrichment activities. On Monday we met their parents and family members to talk a bit more about Sixth Form life at MAS, introduce the year 12 team and answer any questions they had. It was lovely to meet them all, it is because of their support that these students will be hugely successful.

After this we held a special Sixth Form Taster event for our year 11 students who were able to talk to teachers about their subjects for next year. We were happy to see all year 11 students stay and really research their options for September. For year 11 parents who are interested in speaking to the Sixth Form team, there will be another event at the end of November.



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>

Black History Month

As one of the ways that we educate our students and ourselves about

Black history, heritage and culture, throughout October (and all year round) we will be celebrating Black History Month. Our interactive display in the Street encourages students to reflect and record what they are learning and our student leaders handed out BHM bingo leaflets, to support with additional independent Black History Month activities for the students to do outside of school.

Over the next week our Diversity Leaders will be hosting our House assemblies sharing and celebrating their culture.



BOOK and FILM Club

Read, watch, and discuss your favourite stories!

Every Monday
3.30-4.30pm
in the library
Open to years
9 and 10

Contact Ms Lynch
or Mr Baker
if you would
like to sign up

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Meet us outside the library

STUDENTS...

If you are attending after school clubs, please make sure you inform your parents and carers.

Young Mayor 2021

Vote Domenico Sadawy



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My name is Domenico Sadawy and I came from Wapping High School. I chose Mulberry Academy Shoreditch Sixth Form because of the different enrichment they offer and the Head of Sixth Form is welcoming and lovely. I love being here because I was able to do 2 BTEC'S and in other colleges you can only do 1. The school offers a wide of range of subjects.

I am standing for Young Mayor because I want to make a difference in young people's lives. I will become a voice to the youth and make sure their views and opinions are acted on. I feel like sometimes young people's voices are not always heard. I will make sure every young person is supported and not left out.

MY MANIFESTO

Tower Hamlets continues to have a rapidly growing population with a rich and colourful history. Within all this, the young community has a world of potential in promoting development, peace, democracy and in protecting. As a result, I describe myself as being quite ambitious and someone who very much pushes the idea of giving young people the experience of being able to have a voice to represent them among the influential people in society, and I am prepared to be that voice of truth and change that people in my community require. I would also like to take the opportunity to have hands-on involvement in the community, which includes:

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL

I'd like to see more about young people in school, employment, and training; there isn't enough being done to find young people work experience, boost self-esteem and confidence, and prepare them to enter the workforce. There is additional action that needs to take place to attract young people to work in economic centres like The City and Canary Wharf. Thus I will work with both these financial bases to provide more opportunities. I will also work to promote youth centers so any willing teenager could partake in extracurricular activities, especially in youth centers that have the capacity to do so. Additionally, I will work towards providing young people with volunteer places so they can improve their confidence through stepping out of their comfort zone to learn new skills that will be essential in helping them find employment. It also will massively benefit the youth center, as they have extra pairs of hands to help them help the community.

COMMUNITY COHESION

I'd like to see people engage with one another rather than fearing each other. There are far too many individuals and communities living in isolation, and I'd like to tear down the barriers. I believe Tower Hamlets can be a safer and more prosperous place if we work together by ensuring that those who cannot speak English have the ability to learn and to be provided with classes and materials to do so. I am also planning to host a few cultural exchange events that allow people to share all the rich parts of their culture, such as food, music, and dances, as I believe it will strengthen the community and the relationships within cultures and build friendships.

MENTAL HEALTH

I know a lot of young people suffer from mental health issues. Even though mental health is a hot topic at the moment, nothing practical gets done to help us learn and improve our mental health. In lots of cultures, the idea of mental health simply doesn't exist, which is why we need to raise awareness on this subject to teach ourselves and our communities how to effectively deal with issues surrounding mental health. I'd like to work with as many individuals in this sector as possible to create services that young people are more likely to use so we can better serve our youth.

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MUSIC CLUB

WHAT WE DO
LEARN TO PLAY THE PIANO/GUITAR. PRACTISE SONGS FOR YOUR INSTRUMENT LESSONS.

WHEN: EVERY FRIDAY 3:30-4:30
WHERE: ROOM 323
WHO: MR FEASEY

Kickstart your weekend by learning an instrument and making new friends!

ENSEMBLES CLUB

WHAT WE DO: LEARN SONGS AS PART OF AN ENSEMBLE. TAKE PART IN PERFORMANCES EACH TERM.

WHEN: EVERY WEDNESDAY 3:30-4:30
WHERE: ROOM 323
WHO: PLEASE SEE MR FEASEY TO SIGN UP!

We are looking for passionate musicians and team players who are looking for a real challenge!

Keats House visit

Last Friday, Year 13 English Literature A Level students went to visit Keats House - a beautiful house in Hampstead in which the Romantic poet John Keats wrote some of his best loved poetry - which the students study as part of their course. A few quotations from the students:

'Keats's house had a very peaceful atmosphere. Being able to see some of his belongings felt like an oddly special experience. I even bought a collection of his poems.' (Tianna)

'Going to Keats's house was a very memorable experience since we were able to put ourselves into Keats's shoes and see behind the scenes of his poetry.' (Ishraat)



Year 8 into university workshop

Year 8 pupils took part in the into university workshop. They learnt about revision strategies. This included chunking by categorising, teaching others and chaining.

The students found this extremely useful. They were so engaged throughout the sessions.

Juwayn Kadir who was brilliant in the session said "it was a really good session with fun and helpful ways to revise."

Mollie Rose who was also excellent in the session said "I really enjoyed the session, it was interactive and fun it was also helpful knowing how to revise"

The year 8's really embraced the sessions and Jai who was the lead of the session commented on how brilliant all the pupils were.



Be Her Lead

Thank you and well done to the Year 9 'Be Her Lead' group of girls who held a bake sale for Macmillan Cancer Support on Friday 24th September. They raised £136 and hope to hold more charity events this year!



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WORD OF THE WEEK

Wow!

Intrepid

adjective

DEFINITION	EXAMPLE
Extremely brave, showing no fear. Daring and adventurous.	The team of Intrepid travellers set off into the unexplored desert. The Intrepid students took part in an exhausting 150-mile sponsored bike ride.
SYNONYMS	ANTONYMS
Brave. Bold. Fearless.	Timid. Fearful. Cowardly.
CHARACTERISTICS	
Originates from the Latin word 'intrepidus' (trepidus = frightened). The noun is intrepidity or intrepidness.	

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for more info

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The Old Vic Schools Club Monologues workshop



Last week Year 10 Drama students were visited by two practitioners from The Old Vic Theatre for a workshop on Monologues.

This was part of MAS's membership of The Old Vic Schools' Club this year and was an add-on to their work in class devising their own monologues to perform in The Street later in the term. Working with materials written specially for them by professional writers, the students were taken through exercises in voice, movement and content before finally presenting extracts from their monologues to the class.

The Old Vic practitioners were impressed with the quality of work produced by the students, with some being particularly singled out for praise for the power and commitment of their performances.

Old Vic Schools Club continues with four free theatre trips later this year – watch this space for more news.



Good Luck!

Wishing our STEM Academy drivers and team the very best of luck for their race at The Greenport Grand Final at Goodwood Race Circuit on Sunday!

Year 8 Globe Theatre Trip

A group of Year 8 students who have shown excellent attitudes in English lessons so far this year went on a trip to Shakespeare's Globe Theatre to see A Midsummer Night's Dream!.



Work Experience at the Bar

On Wednesday four of our year 13 Law Students spent a day at a firm of Barristers in the City where they had the most valuable insight into the profession. During the day they had a talk in the Chambers about the profession, they visited Lincoln's Inn, the High Court and had lunch at Middle Temple. They finished the day with a debating workshop at Chambers. The students had an amazing time and came back to school with a clear idea of the profession and how to get there. Many thanks to Iain Munro at 4 Pump Court, Ms Earle, Ms Hassan and Ms Wills for facilitating such a trip.



CAREER SPOTLIGHT

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

Human Resources Manager

National Careers Service



£35,000 - £150,000 per year



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Flu spray/Vaccination



Year 7 and year 8 will receive their flu Spray/Vaccination on Thursday 21st October 2021

If you have consented to both the Flu spray and the vaccination your child will automatically have the vaccine.

If you would rather your child had the spray then please contact the school and this will be recorded for the school health team.

MATHS PROBLEM OF THE WEEK

Did you manage to solve the maths problem this week?

The name Matilda is written repetitively like this:

MatildaMatildaMatilda.

What is the 1000th letter?



Solution

The pattern repeats every seven letters, so the name ends on the 7th, 14th, 21st, ... letters, i.e. on every multiple of 7.

Since $1000 \div 7 = 142 \text{ r}6$, there are 142 complete copies of the name, and then the 1000th letter is the sixth letter of the next name. Therefore the 1000th letter is d.