

Executive Principal: Mrs Ruth Holden, MA, NPQH

Friday 12th November 2021

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

Hope you had a nice Half Term break and are well and keeping safe. We've had a very busy week at the school this week! Year 7, 11 and 13 had their Year group photographs which they can buy and have as a memento of their school. We had a very special visit from Mr Kevin Jones, the Headteacher at Old Ford Primary School and he met with all of the students who attended Old Ford Primary School. We also had a variety of trips this week, including students going to the University of Sussex.

Covid 19 – Vaccine for 12 – 15 Year Olds

Parents and Carers of students aged between 12 and 15 will have received a text message this week with information regarding the Covid 19 vaccine. Vaccination UK will be coming in to the school on Thursday 18th November to vaccinate students. If you would like your child to receive the vaccine, please see below information. Vaccination UK are orchestrating the whole process, the school is providing the space for them to carry out the vaccinations.

Only complete the e-consent form if you want your child to receive the vaccine.

If you have any queries please use the links below and do not contact the school directly.

The government have produced information for parents and carers, which you can read here:

[COVID-19 vaccination programme for young people: guidance for parents](#)

There is also information for 12–17-year-olds, which you can read with your child:

[COVID-19 vaccination – A guide for children and young people](#)

Please indicate your consent by completing the online e-consent. Please note that the cut-off for completing the consent is Monday 15th November 2021.

The link to the e-consent form is below:

<https://london.schoolvaccination.uk/covid/2021/towerhamlets>

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HouseCon 21 – Tuesday 16th November

HouseCon 21 for parents and students is happening on
Tuesday 16th November from 4pm until 5:30pm.

This is a fantastic opportunity for you to discover more about the House System at Mulberry Academy Shoreditch and a chance for you and your family to experience an unforgettable night of games, an ideas box for upcoming competitions and events, refreshments and much more! Plus, come along to experience the reveal of our exclusive House End of Year Trip.

This will also be a great occasion to speak to Heads of Houses about upcoming enrichment opportunities and hear from student House Leaders. There will also be House merchandise available to purchase throughout the evening, so your family can proudly support the House in which they belong to.

Any family that attends this event will be entered into a raffle to win a £50 and there are additional raffle tickets that can be purchased to increase your chances of winning.

Year 12 Parents' Evening

On Tuesday 23rd November we will be holding Year 12 Parents' Evening from 2.15pm until 5pm.

On this day Year 10 and Year 12 will finish school at 1:40pm (after lunch)

The rest of the school will attend Period 5 and 6 as usual.

Lateral Mass Testing is Very Important!

Please keep testing twice weekly and reporting your results on the DfE website whether they are negative, positive or void as it helps to understand the spread of the virus in different areas.

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 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

Mulberry Academy Shoreditch Remembers

On Thursday we remembered those who have fallen in conflict and reflected upon the best parts of Humanity and to think about our emergency services who help us in so many ways. All week we have been having special assemblies led by Mr Llewelyn-Jones Head of History at the school.

During the half term break

Thank you to Ms Gibson and staff for their lessons for Year 11 and 13 during the second week of the half term and to our Premises and administrative teams for all of their work.

Ms Tarannum and Ms Taylor who took a group of students on the Debate Mate competition

Well done to all Year 12 students who took their Maths and English GCSE exams - we await those results, but well done for your tenacity and focus this year.

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."



House Open Evening

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Thank you,
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Sixth Form Update

This week two of our fabulous Year 12 ambassadors, Yusuf Azad and Dawood Gibson, took part in a post 16-careers fair at Sarah Bonnell school. They offered great advice and valuable insights on the incredible range of subject choices available at MAS Sixth Form. We are very proud of the fact that we are one of exceptionally few sixth forms actively expanding our curriculum offer, especially considering the national trend for narrowing subject choice. A recent Royal Society study found those who had greater diversity in their A level subjects were likely to see a small boost to their earnings during their mid-twenties; gains which are then expected to be sustained throughout their careers. Well done to our sixth formers for supporting such important work!

**Sixth Form Open Evening
Tuesday 30th November
4.00pm-5.30pm**



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>

Launch of Debate Mate

On Wednesday 3rd November 2021, thirty pupils from Mulberry Academy Shoreditch across various year groups attended the Debate Mate Launch event at the Emmanuel Centre in Westminster. The event included an overview of the Debate Mate programme as well as an entertaining debate on veganism during which MAS's own Jessica Williams-Cox asked a question! The Launch was a brilliant introduction to Debate Mate for those of us who haven't participated before and MAS pupils are now incredibly excited for the programme to begin next week.

If you would like to participate in Debate Mate, please ask for a consent form from your English teacher or pick one up from the English office. Sessions run every Monday from 3.35pm to 4.35pm in room 404.



In the Year 12 jewellery design enrichment session this week, students have been making seed bead rings. This project, most famously seen on TikTok, has allowed us to get creative with our designs and try something new.

Y11 Fine Dining

The Year 11 Hospitality students came in over the half term to practice some Merit and distinction grade dishes. As you can see they are giving Masterchef a run for their money. Well done guys, looking forward to more.



TOWER THAMES TRAFALGAR GLOBE BARBICAN

The whole family is welcome!
COME AND ENJOY

HOUSE CON'21

LOCATION: MULBERRY ACADEMY SHOREDITCH

TUESDAY 16TH NOVEMBER 4.00PM-5.30PM

Food, performances, games, prizes and house merchandise available to buy

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MAS STATIONERY SHOP

BUY YOUR STATIONERY AT BREAK IN THE STREET EVERY TUESDAY

RED, BLUE OR BLACK PENS	10P
RULER	20P
SMALL RULER	10P
PENCILS (HB OR 2B)	60P
PENCIL CASE	£1
BUNDLE PACK (100 MARKERS + SHARPENERS)	10P
PENCIL SHARPENER	10P
RUBBER	£1.30
SET OF REVISION CARDS	£1.50
LEVER ARCH FOLDER	

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TUNERS CLUB

WITH MR YOUNGER AND MR JEEVAGAN

MONDAYS 3:30-4:30 IN ROOM 313

NO EXPERIENCE REQUIRED.

See Mr Younger or Mr Jeevagan for more info

Art news

Year 7 art students have been learning to weave in their lesson this week.



Art club have designed a mural for the art corridor which is coming on very well and



Year 10s have created some lovely 'Identity' mind maps on T-shirts



Year 12 Geography field trip

Year 12 Geography students have been on 2 days of fieldwork; one to Epping Forest and one to Stratford. This is in order to help them decide on their topic for their coursework. They have been practicing different methods which will help them when they collect their actual data next week.



TERM DATES 2021-2022

Term 1 finishes:

Friday 17th December 2021
Christmas break: Monday 20th December 2021-Wednesday 5th January 2022

Term two starts:

Tuesday 4th January (inset day)
Wednesday 5th January (all students)

Half-term: Monday 14th February - Friday 18th February 2022

Term 2 resumes for all students on Monday 21st February

Term 2 finishes:

Friday 1st April 2022
Easter break: Monday 4th April - Tuesday 19th April 2022

Term three starts: Tuesday 19th April 2022 (Inset Day), Wednesday 20th April 2022 (for all students)

Half-term: Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June 2022

Term 3 resumes for all students on Monday 6th June

Term three finishes: Friday 22nd July

Never forget...

Today we observed the two-minute silence to remember the fallen, those who returned and the sacrifices they made to protect our freedom. Below are Year 10 PE students standing and reflecting in silence.



Sixth Form visit to Sussex

On Thursday 11th November 60 students from Sixth Form visited Sussex University, they had a tour of the campus and attended talks on student life in one of the lecture theatres. Students ask lots of questions and then had an afternoon of fun at Brighton beach and the pier.



Culture Club

As part of our ongoing commitment to enriching students' cultural knowledge, 32 students are taking part in The London Culture Club. Students have visited some of London's best museums and art galleries. A particular highlight was Wednesday's trip to see Street Art performed in Covent Garden. Students enjoyed violinists, magicians and mime artists and were thrilled to see the Christmas market with artificial snow. We are looking forward to taking our students to The London Mithraeum next Wednesday to explore Roman ruins in the heart of the city.

Developing Cultural Capital

This week sixth form teachers and staff took part in a training session to revisit our fantastic work on developing students' cultural capital. Cultural Capital comprises an individual's social assets (education, intellect, and their knowledge and appreciation of arts, leisure, culture) that promote social mobility. Across school, our House System, MAS Charter and Sixth Form Enrichment provide an incredible range of extra-curricular activities, to which we are increasingly incorporating valuable subject specific cultural capital during lessons so students can further develop their confidence, character and curiosity.

If you're stuck for something to do this weekend there are lots of free exhibitions, events and spaces you can explore.

The **Wellcome Collection** has a season of free events, activities and exhibitions celebrate the complexity of Joy, Happiness and Tranquillity.

Visit the **Tate Modern** where artist Anicka Yi's robo-army, a squadron of alien machines, are floating in the Turbine Hall.

Explore the city's **hidden gardens** such as Postman's Park, with its 'Everyday Hero' ceramic plaques, Bow Creek Ecology Park or St Dunstan-in-the-East, a ruined medieval church that's almost smothered by nature.

ابحرم Hello **Are you learning English as an additional language?** Ola هالو

Why not come along to EAL Intervention classes on Mondays and Wednesdays at 3:30-4:15 in the LSU. See Ms Richardson for more info

LOST PROPERTY

If your child loses something, please can they check the admin office? Lost Property will be put out in the Street every Friday

CAREER SPOTLIGHT

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

Equalities Officer

£18,000 - £45,000 Typical hours - 39 to 41 (a week)

You could do a degree in a relevant subject, such as law, psychology, sociology, community or youth studies or human resources.

You could get an introduction to this type of work from a relevant college course, like a Level 2 Certificate in Equality and Diversity.

You could apply directly for jobs with relevant work experience as well as knowledge of equal opportunities issues and legislation

National Careers Service

0800 100 900 #AskNationalCareers

Martin Luther King Jr - A minister and activist who became an influential leader in the American civil rights movement in the 1950s.

MATHS PROBLEM OF THE WEEK

Did you manage to solve the maths problem this week?

The diagram shows nine points in a square array.

What is the smallest number of points that need to be removed in order that no three of the remaining points are in a straight line?

Solution

At least one point must be removed from each of the three horizontal lines; so at least three points need to be removed.

Removing the three points lying on either diagonal does what is required.