

Executive Principal: Mrs Ruth Holden, MA, NPQH

Friday 3rd December 2021

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

Hope you are well and keeping safe!

This week Mulberry Academy Shoreditch has been awarded Gold Excellence for the Safeguarding Award! Well done to Mr Collis and Ms Montgomerie for their work on this!

Societies

Over the past Term the Mulberry Trust Societies have been going on loads of trips and having talks from a variety of VIP's, including MP Apsana Begum, who attended Mulberry School for Girls! This week the Economics Society visited their University link, the London School of Economics and had a great time! The International Studies and Politics Society had a talk from MP Apsana Begum and the Science Society visited an old operating theatre! How exciting! There is so much more going on in the lead up to Christmas that all of the students are really excited for! Thank you to Mr Rakshi, Ms McRill, Mr Law, Ms Earle and Mr Matsangos for organising all the lovely trips and talks!

PortaKabins

In the lead up to Christmas and over the Christmas Break, I'm delighted to inform parents the school is having new PortaKabins delivered and installed for our growing Sixth Form!

Masks

From Tuesday 30th November 2021 **ALL** students and staff must wear masks in all fluid/ communal areas of the school. Students can wear masks if they wish to in the classroom or in outdoor areas, such as the playground. Please can you ensure your child comes to school with their own mask.

After School Clubs

In the period of the 10 days leading up to the Christmas Break, clubs and interventions are to finish at 4pm to allow students and staff to get home safely during the rush hour.

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Schools Trust



Term Dates

With 4 weeks to go until the end of term, here is a reminder of our Term Dates for the Christmas Break:

The Autumn Term ends on **Friday 17th December 2021**.

The school is **closed** to students on **Tuesday 4th January 2022**.

All Students will **return** to school on **Wednesday 5th January 2022**.

Lateral Flow Tests

Tests should be taken on Mondays and Thursdays and all results – **negative, positive or void** are to be registered on the Government website - <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>

Please see attached link of how to use the Lateral Flow Devices given out if you are unsure: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9ShFizJtaT8>

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.

When to Isolate?

Self-isolate straight away and get a PCR test as soon as possible if you have any of these 3 symptoms of Covid 19, even if they are mild:

- You have a high temperature
- A new continuous cough
- A loss or change to sense of smell and taste

You should also self-isolate straight away if:

- You have tested positive for Covid 19 – this means you have the virus
- Someone who you live with has tested positive for Covid 19 and you are not double vaccinated.
- You have been told to self-isolate following contact with someone who tested positive

*If you are double vaccinated and the person you live with has tested positive for the Omnicron variant, you will have to self-isolate for 10 days regardless of your vaccination status. You will be instructed by the Government if this is the case.

When you do not need to self-isolate

If someone you live with has symptoms of Covid 19 or has tested positive for Covid 19, you will not need to self-isolate if any of the following apply:

- You're fully vaccinated – this means that 14 days have passed since your final dose of a Covid 19 vaccine given by the NHS
- Your child is under 18 years and 6 months old
- You're taking part of have taken part in a Covid 19 vaccine trial
- You're not able to get vaccinated for medical reasons

Please check the NHS website for all regulations in relation to Covid 19 isolation -

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/when-to-self-isolate-and-what-to-do/>

Yours faithfully



Mrs Ruth Holden
Executive Principal

News this week from the Executive Principal



Christmas has started at Mulberry Academy Shoreditch

It was lovely to see our Christmas trees and lights go up this week at the school. Students in Year 7 enjoyed dressing the trees and they are all around the school and in the sixth form areas.



Sixth Form Open Evening

An amazing event with over 90 external students coming with parents to look at our wonderful school and Sixth form.

Thanks to Ms Scales who led the event with Ms Montgomerie and Mr Matsangos



Year 11

It is great to see Year 11 students playing chess in the street at lunchtimes - a self-started activity which is becoming a growing interest for students at the school.

Trailfam

Thank you so much to Mr Stokes and Ms Bartlett for giving up their



weekend to the students running and trekking in the Brecon Beacons last weekend. Stunning scenery and an amazing opportunity for our students to run in such a place. Well done to all.

Thank you,
Mrs Ruth Holden,
Executive Principal

Sixth Form Update

It's been another great week for the Sixth Form, on Tuesday we held a very successful open evening showcasing all the amazing A Level and BTEC subjects on offer (see photos over the page). As well as our Year 11s attending, we had almost 80 students from different schools. It was so lovely to see so many new faces and our current Sixth Formers really enjoyed answering questions to all that came. A particular well done to Maliha Nousheen, Daud

Digale, Amal Mohamed and Yusef Azad for presenting to our parents in the Sixth Form talks.

Wednesday welcomed Year 12's second drop down day and we had visitors from Maximising Success running workshops on study skills and time management. Students also attended sessions on financial literacy and learnt about banks, money and debt management.

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Our Sixth Form recruitment team



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>

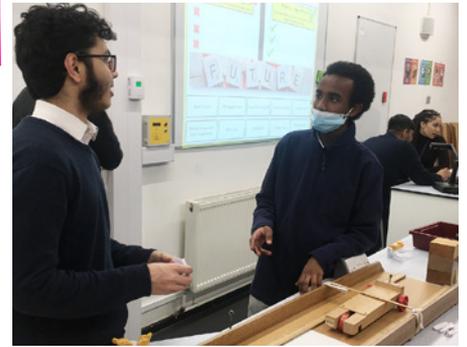
Sixth Form Update *continued from front page*

It was lovely to see experiments in action from students currently working towards their Silver Crest Awards on Wednesday afternoon.

And finally a big well done to Year 12 for successful working from home days this week, remote lessons worked really well. Year 12s are expected to work from home and

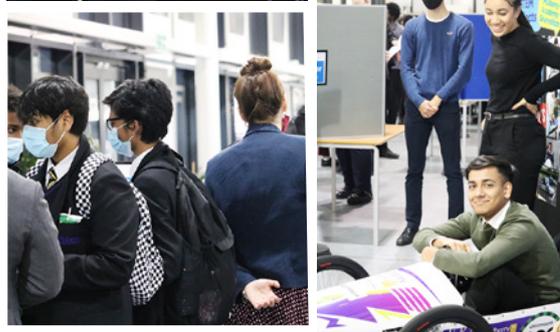
attend lessons on teams on the following dates whilst building works continue:

- Tuesday 30th November
- Friday 3rd December
- Tuesday 7th December
- Thursday 9th December
- Tuesday 14th December
- Friday 17th December



I am honoured to have received an offer from Queen Mary University to study Accounting and Management. I am so pleased that all my hard work has paid off during my Business and IT BTEC course. As a younger student I envisaged myself in university and this has motivated me from a young age. Through all the difficulties we faced through the lockdowns, I continued to strive to do my best. My teachers have helped me a lot to achieve the best grades possible and I look forward to starting my academic career.

Oliur Rahman 13F



Geography Field Trip

Year 11 Geography students have been conducting their Human Fieldwork in Canary Wharf and Mudchute to see how land use changes in different urban areas



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)	10P
PENCIL CASE	60P
BUNDLE PACK	£1
PENCIL SHARPENER	10P
RUBBER	10P
SET OF REVISION CARDS	£1.30
LEVER ARCH FOLDER	£1.50

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Winter Fair

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Charity Book Stall

Winter FEST 2021

Donate your best books! Share your favourite stories for new readers to enjoy

Please bring book donations to the library by 13 Dec

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winter Music Sharing

Wednesday 8th December at 4pm - 4:45pm in the Street

Parents are welcome

There will be refreshments and a festive atmosphere

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TrailFam Race Team run the Brecon Beacons

Over the weekend, the TrailFam race team embarked on an expedition in the heart of the Brecon Beacons. We just about managed to dodge Storm Arwen and were treated to snow-peaked mountains and clear skies. The students learnt how to prepare their kit for the day and their trail running skills were put to the test, navigating tough climbs and steep descents. It was a fantastic experience and we are already looking forward to the next adventure.



Year 10 Masterclass at Ipsos MORI

A group of Year 10 students were invited to participate in a masterclass in Social and Market Research with Ipsos MORI last week. The first project they were set was to think about ways to market a porridge Oats brand, thinking about who the consumer is and how to communicate the brand's benefits in advertising campaigns. They then were set a project to learn more about how young people use the local parks, streets and green spaces in Tower Hamlets to help the council's aims to reach net-zero by 2050.

Students worked really well together on these interesting projects and gave some insightful and confident presentations.



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

DEFINITION
to judge how good, useful or successful something is and have an opinion on it.

EXAMPLE
1. You should be able to evaluate your own work.
2. We need to evaluate the success of this event.
3. It was difficult to evaluate which source was the most reliable and factually correct given that the sources were Facebook and Twitter!

SYNONYMS
Assess
Appraise
Judge

ANTONYMS
Ignore
Neglect
disregard

CHARACTERISTICS
French verb 'évaluer' = to evaluate or assess. Notice the root within the word is from 'value'.

Science Society trip

Science Society
with
Imperial College
London

Science Society students from the UTC, Mulberry Girls and MAS attended a guided tour and workshop at Europe's oldest operating theatre, based in the grounds of the Old St Thomas' Hospital in London Bridge. They learned how surgeries would have been performed in the 1800s, before our modern day understanding of germ theory, anaesthesia and causes of infection.



Economics at LSE

Economics Society
with
LSE
THE LONDON SCHOOL
OF ECONOMICS AND
POLITICAL SCIENCE

On Wednesday our Economics Society (Year 9 Economists from across the Trust) and Mr Matsangos visited the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) to meet Dr Joan Costa-i-Font, a renowned policy-oriented academic economist whose research and teaching on the economics of health behaviours, ageing and health disadvantage, is of huge importance and relevance in our current time. Students learnt about the history of LSE, it's incredible alumni and current work in serving the founding purpose, "for the betterment of society". You may notice the 'The World Turned Upside Down' globe behind us. This sculpture by Turner Prize winning artist Mark Wallinger recognises LSE's expertise as a specialist university, with an international community and a global reach, created to reflect the spirit of progressive enquiry that has characterised the School since its inception. (The World Turned Upside Down is a famous ballad from the English Revolution).



This week we are speaking Greek and Latin. Did you know the LSE's motto "rerum cognoscere causas" means "to know the causes of things".

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

Cognitive Behavioural Therapist National Careers Service

£30,401 - £43,772 per year

37 - 39 hours per week

You'll usually need an accredited postgraduate qualification in cognitive behavioural therapy and experience of working in mental health.

To get onto a postgraduate course, you'll need a degree in a subject related to health and social care, for example, mental health nursing, social work, counselling, art therapy or psychology.

You'll also need experience of working with people who have mental health issues through your job or from volunteering.

0800 100 900
nationalcareers.service.gov.uk

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

MATHS PROBLEM OF THE WEEK

Did you manage to solve the maths problem this week?

Three monkeys met for tea in their favourite cafe, taking off their hats as they arrived. When they left, they each put on one of the hats at random.

What is the probability that they all left wearing the wrong hat?

Solution
Let the hats of monkeys A, B and C be a, b and c respectively. This table shows the ways in which the monkeys can select hats.

A	B	C
a	b	c
a	c	b
b	a	c
b	c	a
c	a	b
c	b	a

In only two of the six ways do none of the monkeys have the same hat as when they arrived, hence the required probability is

$$\frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3}$$

How to get started Let the hats of monkeys A, B and C be a, b and c respectively. This table shows the ways in which the monkeys can select hats.

A	B	C
a	b	c

This is the first line of the table. What are all the other combinations?