

News this week from the Executive Principal

Mulberry in Bloom

Welcome back to the Summer Term! It's so lovely to see Mulberry Academy Shoreditch in full bloom! We are really looking forward to this Term - with lots of fun and super things planned for students over the next few weeks!



Visit from James Thomas - Director of Children's Services Tower Hamlets

On Thursday we had the privilege of welcoming James Thomas to Mulberry Academy Shoreditch. James spent the morning having a tour around the school and meeting staff. Thank you to Ms Montgomerie and Mr Collis for showing James around.

Iftar

On Thursday evening we had the pleasure of hosting the Prince's Trust Annual Mosaic Iftar. The evening was absolutely wonderful, with a lot of prestigious guests. I would like to thank Mr Ali for leading the prayers, our catering team for providing such amazing food, our Head Boy - Yusuf Azad and Head Girl Amal Mohamed for their incredible speeches, Aura Fabian for being a part of the panel,

to all the staff that came to support, and also to the Prince's Trust and our Governor Nizam Uddin for allowing us to host such an important event.

Thank you,
Mrs Ruth Holden,
Executive Principal

Sixth Form Update

As the Summer Term commences, Sixth Form students are preparing themselves for the demands of exam season, enjoying exciting enrichment opportunities and looking forward to university life.

Year 13 students have received a flood of offers from great universities to study exciting courses, and they are in the process of deciding this important part of the next stage of their lives. Year 12 are enjoying a wide range of enrichment activities, with our Year 12 STEM students working with Mercedes Grand Prix on building their very own racing cars.

Congratulations to the winners of the 2022 Youth Awards hosted by the Institute of Psychiatry, Psychology and Neuroscience, King's College London.

We were very impressed with the applications and are pleased to announce the following award winners:

Adibah Nushrat Ambia - Biomedical Research Centre Award

Amanda Dawit Segen - Biomedical Research Centre Award

Carola Calogero - Psychology Award

Hamdi Abdi - Biomedical Research Centre Award

Inaam Mohamed - Biomedical Research Centre Award

Jumaanah Kahar - Biostatistics and Health Research

Maliha Nousheen - Social, Genetic and Developmental Psychiatry Award

Nusaybah Gutierrez - Psychology Award

These students have won a £50 book voucher, a certificate of attendance and an opportunity to attend the department in the summer holiday.

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>

Newsround turns 50

On March 31st, a group of Y7 students were invited to attend the 50th Birthday of BBC Newsround where they tried their hand at presenting, interviewing and filming! Here's what some of them had to say about the exciting experience...

Newsround's 50th anniversary was so much fun! We took part in activities such as interviews, a Q & A and presenting the news whilst reading an autocue. I was also lucky enough to receive autographs and have photos taken with my favourite presenters. I particularly enjoyed being interviewed by De-Graff! We had a great conversation and he even told me his secret. At the end, we went down to watch a special anniversary film and met the whole cast. This included former presenters and producers. We were then allowed to ask questions. We each received a Newsround goody bag before making our way back to school. Overall, this has been the best opportunity for me in years and I could not be more grateful. Happy Birthday, Newsround!

Sabrina Fergus, 7E

Yesterday was the most exciting day of my life. I managed to get five people's autographs. Firstly, we were introduced to the Newsround team and ate dinner. After that we took part in various activities. We had a go at presenting on TV. I was able to



interview a Newsround presenter – he told me that he had been a newsreader for three years. After the interviews, we went to a theatre and watched a special film about the history of Newsround.

During our time in the theatre, I met the Newsround creator. He told us that Newsround started in 1972, 50 years ago! Thank you to Ms McRill and Mr Hibbs for picking me. I feel very lucky to have been chosen to take part.

Abdulrahman Gamal, 7F

Newsround was a brilliant place and it was a great experience for me. All the people were very kind and nice to talk to. I'm glad I got to go because not everyone gets the opportunity and my favourite part was working the camera and using professional headphones. There were amazing people there like Shaniqua and De-Graff, who both present Newsround. I want to say a huge thank you to Newsround and my teachers for letting me experience this. Happy Birthday, Newsround!

Kiarna Clark, 7E



Newsround's 50th anniversary was a very fun experience for myself and others. The people who were giving us a tour were really kind and helpful. They showed us how to use professional equipment, including the cameras. One workshop involved us presenting Newsround on camera and reading an autocue. Another experience was getting to meet De-Graff and film him being interviewed. I also met my favourite presenter, Shaniqua and got to take pictures with her! The team gave us goody bags and with gifts such as pens, badges and a notebook. Many Newsround presenters signed my postcard and notebook which I will cherish forever. We then went to a screening in a theatre where we watched an episode about the history of Newsround and met former presenters.

I am really happy and overjoyed about this event and I am glad that I was able to experience this opportunity.

Sanceha Ali, 7E

Newsround's 50th anniversary was very fun last night. I really enjoyed myself. I did some camera work behind the scenes and we took part in other activities too. Some people also interviewed Newsround presenters. We were able to meet the creator of Newsround and the current cast. We all had the opportunity to ask them questions.

I am so glad that I was able to go, it was so enjoyable there. Everyone was extremely nice and welcoming. When we went to the theatre we watched a film about the history of the show. Some of us got to see how the cameras worked and how they actually film an episode. I got some autographs from a few people and towards the end we all took a photo together.

Dakota Evans, 7E



See them here: <https://bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/b006mdbc/newsround>
3.28 – 3.54 mins!

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WORD OF THE WEEK

WOW!

Manipulate

Verb

DEFINITION
To handle or move something in a skilful way. To make someone or something behave as you want them to by being clever or perhaps dishonest.

EXAMPLE
The puppeteer manipulated the puppet to dance.
The teenager was easily able to manipulate the small child to give his money away.

SYNONYMS
To control or operate. To exploit or influence.

ANTONYMS
To mishandle. To be open and Honest.

CHARACTERISTICS
From the Latin word 'manipulus' which means handful. The French verb 'manipuler' = to handle.

Year 6 enjoy Easter School

Last week we had our future Year 7 students in for our annual Year 6 Easter school for the first time in two years! It was two days of fun and learning and was a great way for current Year 6 students to get to know the school ahead of September. Each day was filled with wonderful activities provided by our teachers such as Cooking, Dance, Art, Trampolining and more! On day one students practised becoming future Actors in Drama and Gymnasts in Trampolining; day two built on what was learnt the previous day with students polishing up their designs in DT and creating handmade boxes in Art. Groups Ruby and Citrine had their turn in Cooking and made delicious Swiss Rolls. Both days were a huge success and we look forward to seeing our new students again for Summer school!



Year 7s Q&A with Sir Lewis Hamilton



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IN PARTNERSHIP WITH  MERCEDES-BENZ GRAND PRIX

Earlier this month, some of our Year 7 students asked Lewis Hamilton questions about his life and his amazing career in F1. Visit: <https://youtu.be/bzm3q8790e4> and <https://youtu.be/LgWkOg6kZ80>



MULBERRY SCHOOLS TRUST
STUDENT QUESTIONS TO LEWIS
PART 1



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Colourful art work in Year 9

This week Year 9 students have been exploring the colour wheel in their art lesson. Inspired by the work of artist Sonia Delaunay, a French artist and designer known for her bold use of colorful geometric patterns, they painted on canvas boards with acrylic paint to create abstract art work.



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MS FLETCHER-BELL IS READING

Homegoing
By Yaa Gyasi

It tells the story of two Ghanaian twin girls who are separated at birth. One is sold into slavery and the other marries a slave owner. The novel follows the children and following generations of the two sisters, whilst also exploring the short and long-term effects of slavery both in Ghana and America.



My rating is:
★★★★★
very sad but amazing

My favourite quote from the book is:
"We believe the one who has power. He is the one who gets to write the story. So when you study history, you must ask yourself, whose story am I missing?"

I would definitely recommend this book...
to a friend! It is a book that takes you away from reality and Gyasi's descriptions make you feel as if you are a close friend to the characters - you really understand their individual personalities and motivations.

SPORTS CLUBS

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| MONDAY AFTER SCHOOL 3.40-4.30pm | Basketball, Year 7 Football Trampolining - all years | |
| TUESDAY AFTER SCHOOL 3.40-4.30pm | Badminton - all years Year 10 Football | |
| WEDNESDAY AFTER SCHOOL 3.40-4.30pm | Year 9 Football Netball - all years 7/8 Fitness in the Gym | |
| THURSDAY AFTER SCHOOL 3.40-4.30pm | Year 8 Football D of E - pupils that signed up only Year 9/10 Fitness in the Gym | |
| FRIDAY | BEFORE SCHOOL 7.40-8.35am Year 11 Football | AFTER SCHOOL 3.40-4.30pm Dance - All years |

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THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE PAINTING COMPETITION



MAKE AN ARTWORK TO CELEBRATE THE PLATINUM JUBILEE
USE ANY MATERIAL YOU LIKE

CREATIVE You can come along to the art department (Room 405) on Friday lunchtimes to collect materials or use the art room

PRIZE: ART SHOP VOUCHER
Prize for Years 7-9 for Years 10-13

DEADLINE THURSDAY 16TH JUNE 2022

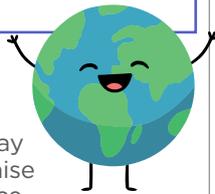
Please bring your art work to room 405. See Ms King for more details.



A very warm welcome to Christchurch Primary School Year 5 students! They will be joining Miss Kilmanaita for weekly Art sessions this term.

First session was all about drawing from direct observation and looking at textures. A huge well done to everyone!

Earth Day 2022



On Friday 22nd April we celebrated Earth Day with a programme of learning activities to raise awareness of the global challenges we all face and think about how we can take action to combat them.



In lessons students had quizzes and presentations, and designed notices to put around the school to encourage staff and students to be more sustainable, for example 'Don't forget to turn off the lights' and were encouraged to enter the Geography Challenge. Year 7 students planted seeds in the courtyard garden and learned about the water/carbon cycle.

MUSICAL NOTES

This week a number of our musicians performed at the Princes Trust IFTAR Event at Mulberry Academy Shoreditch. A huge well done to the following students for taking part: Jackson Yu, Michelle Yu, Isabella Wint, Jhazmyn Charles and Victoria Selby.

Finally, this week our after school Friday Music club will be starting up again. Students will have the opportunity to learn their favourite songs and perform to their peers. If you are interested in signing up, please speak to Mr Feasey.

The Prince's Trust Annual Mosaic Iftar

IN PICTURES



Parliamentary visit

During the last week of Easter term, Mulberry Academy Shoreditch's Politics and International Studies Society visited the Houses of Parliament in what turned out to be a fantastic day for all involved. Upon arrival at Westminster tube station, students were able to catch a glimpse of Queen Elizabeth II arriving at Westminster Abbey! What a start to the day! Following this, students were shown around the House of Commons taking in the different buildings and rich history that lies within each of them. Students then watched a debate on the new education bill in the House of Commons, chaired by Education Secretary Nadim Zahawi.



Following this, the society settled in for their second debate of the day in the grand and decadent settings of the House of Lords. A wonderful day for all involved!

International Studies and Politics Society with SOAS University of London

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£10.85 per hour plus £1.57 holiday pay per hour – casual engagement with flexible hours. Immediate Start.

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For more information visit:

www.mulberryacademyshoreditch.org/careers or to apply visit the TES website here.

We are unable to accept CVs or expressions of interest. We are unable to accept applications from relatives of our staff members.