

Executive Principal: Mrs Ruth Holden, MA, NPQH

Friday 15th July 2022

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

Hope you are all well and keeping safe and enjoying the weather we have been having!

Weather conditions next week

Thank you for your support through this period of hot weather. We are considering carefully how we manage the situation to keep the school operating as usual, whilst also fulfilling our obligations in relation to the health and safety of all students and staff.

We are continuing to encourage students to carry water and to remove their blazers, which they can leave at home if they choose to do so. We have also made timetable changes so that lessons are taught in rooms with maximum ventilation.

The current forecast for Monday and Tuesday is exceptional, with forecasted temperatures in the high thirties. On both days students will be allowed to wear their PE kit to school rather than their normal uniform if they would like to do so

Please can you make sure your child has a water bottle to fill up as and when they need to. You may also wish to provide your child with sunscreen.

In addition, on both Monday and Tuesday we will run a 'continental' day. Students will attend all lessons, but these will be shortened slightly to facilitate an earlier finish.

On both Monday and Tuesday, students will be dismissed after lunch from 1.30pm. There will also be an option for students to remain at school until 3.30pm.

If you would like your child to remain in school until 3.30pm on Monday and Tuesday, please let us know by either emailing your child's Head of Year/Deputy Head of Year or calling main school reception.

Whole School Sports Day

Unfortunately due to extremely hot weather conditions in London, we have made the decision to cancel the Whole School Sports Day on Wednesday 20th July at Mile End Stadium. This is mainly due to lack of shelter at the stadium. We will reconvene this event next year. Students should attend school as normal on Wednesday 20th July.

If you have any queries, please contact reception on 020 7920 7900.

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Last Day of Term



We break up for the Summer on **Friday 22nd July 2022**. All students will be dismissed at approximately 11am with all students being off site by 12pm.

September 2022

Please see below for dates and timings for the start of next term.

Thursday 1st September – School is closed to all students and is open for staff only.

Friday 2nd September – Year 7 start at 8:30am and finish at 2pm (lunch will be provided)

Year 11 and 13 will start at 8:30am and will finish at 1.30pm (lunch will be provided)

Monday 3rd September – All year groups return as normal at 08:30am and will finish at 3.30pm. **Year 7 will finish at 3.15pm.**

Period 1 and 2 will be Tutor time for all year groups.

GCSE and A Level Results Days

Year 13 can collect their A Level results on **Thursday 18th August** from the School between **8am and 10am**.

Year 11 can collect their GCSE results on **Thursday 25th August** from the school between **10am and 12pm**.

More information regarding this will be sent directly to parents.

For **external** students that are enrolling at our Sixth Form, they need to arrive between **12pm and 3pm** on **Thursday 25th August**.

Open Mornings – September 2022

Please see below our Open Morning/ Evening Times and dates below to share with friends and family.

Monday 19th September – Thursday 22nd September at 9.15am

Monday 26th September – Thursday 29th September at 9.15am

Monday 3rd October – Thursday 6th October at 9.15am

Open Evening - Thursday 6th October – 4pm – 6pm

Whole School Standards

This is just a reminder for parents, carers and students that students are expected to be of a smart and sensible appearance. Blazers must be worn and coats must be removed on entering the building and uniform should be worn appropriately i.e. shirts must be tucked in and collard buttoned with ties at an acceptable length.

Jewellery is not to be worn, except for a single/pair of small gold or silver stud earrings and a watch. No other form of body piercing is allowed.

No makeup may be worn and nail varnish, acrylic and false nails are not permitted.

We do not allow students to wear trainers, hoodies and sportswear outside of PE lessons.

Any students with inappropriate uniform will be placed in the IEU or sent home to change. If you have any uncertainty about acceptable uniform or appearance, please contact the school for guidance.

Positive Covid Test Results and symptoms

From Friday 1st April 2022 the Government has updated their guidance on testing positive for Covid 19.

Updated guidance advises:

- Adults with the symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell, should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature
- Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend
- Adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious. For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice is 3 days

If your child is going to be absent from school due to feeling unwell, please report this as usual by calling reception or emailing parents@mulberryacademyshoreditch.org

Please state your child's name and form group so that we may mark them as absent.

Yours faithfully



Mrs Ruth Holden
Executive Principal

News this week from the Executive Principal

Whole School Trip Day

On Wednesday, years 7 - 10 went out on a fun trip for the day! Year 7's went to museums, Year 8 and 9 went to the cinema and bowling and Year 10 went to Thorpe Park! Everyone had a lovely time and enjoyed being outside in the sunshine. Thank you to Ms Miller for organising everything!



Year 11 return for fun!

It was great to see year 11 back in school on Tuesday for t shirt signing and pizza and to see staff - really enjoying not having exams anymore!!



Primary schools and STEM

It's been great to have Lawdale, William Davis and Christchurch Year 5 pupils in school this week doing great and fun things in science. Well done to Ms Scott for leading on this!



Next week is going to be very hot! Please make sure your child has a water bottle that they can refill at one of our water stations.

Thank you,
Mrs Ruth Holden,
Executive Principal

Sixth Form Update

Another busy period in the Sixth Form this week with lots going on all week long. Year 12 English Literature students headed over to beautiful Hampstead Heath on Wednesday with Ms Higgins to visit the house of the poet John Keats, who they have just started studying. Students toured the house and had a workshop on one of the poems.

This week we have made massive progress with our UCAS university applications, when on Wednesday students spent the day working on their personal statements from home,



and on Thursday where students worked on their applications at school, along with some additional sessions with BROOK.

Finally, this week we have had a number of external Year 11 students who joined us for lunch on Wednesday to find out more about our sixth form and the incredible subjects that we offer here. Thank you to all the students who acted as our subject ambassadors, and did an amazing job at showing off all the things our sixth form has to offer!



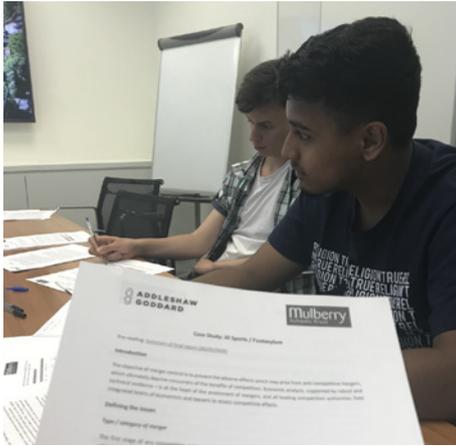
JustGiving™

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>

Economics workshop



On Thursday some of our year 12 economists visited international law firm Addleshaw Goddard to take part in a workshop and seminar on competition law. In the morning, students worked with lawyers and economists to conduct their investigations into the feasibility and impact of takeovers and mergers in UK markets. It was an incredible opportunity to bring to life many aspects of the A level curriculum and to see the real world application of economic theory. Year 12s grappled with well known case studies, such as the JD Sports takeover of Footasylum, to ascertain if the CMA (UK competition regulator) had made the right call in blocking the takeover. After lunch (which by the way was in house NANDOS!!!) we got to shadow the corporate law team as they took part in a meeting with a leading economics consultancy feeding back on their review of past CMA outcomes. A great day for both academic learning and work experience!

Wednesday Trip day

On Wednesday Year groups were out of school on a range of trips from Thorpe Park to Greenwich Maritime Museum. They had a fantastic time, some travelling on the Thames Clipper and visiting iconic landmarks. Here are some photos from the day.



DEBATE CLUB

Join the debate EVERY MONDAY 3.30-4.30pm IN ROOM 404 Open to Years 7-10

How to join: please see Ms Tarannum in the English office for a consent form

Table Tennis is on...

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Breakfast Club 7.00am-8.30am		Girls		Boys	Mixed
Lunch 1.00pm-1.40pm	Girls	Boys	Boys	Girls	
After School 3.30pm-5.00pm	Boys		Girls		

Get a letter from Coach Simon (PE department) if you want to join

www.greenhousesports.org

FREE Training Competitions Trips JOIN TODAY

Year 12 Berlin Trip

Last week, Ms Wills, Ms Milton and Mr Calderon took a group of Year 12 students to the lively capital city of Germany. They visited museums and did lots of sightseeing, learning the history of the Berlin Wall and visiting the Watch Tower and other iconic landmarks. They had a fantastic time and got to spend time immersed in the culture, history, food and even bowling in Berlin.



Drop down day

Yesterday the whole school had a drop down day where they did a range of learning workshops and activities from dental health and first aid to designing and making rockets.



Insights in Art and Design

Insights is the UAL outreach programme that offers young people access to their colleges for creative activities and pre-university advice.

A Level Art students Sonia and Suhel spent last week on the Insights course.

Suhel Hoque

Insights at Central St Martins was an enjoyable experience. I did architecture and product design for a week and had to design and make food stalls from allocated food which mine happened to be Pani Puri, I first made a paper prototype and when I went onto to make the main cardboard structure I developed my idea to make it inflatable so its portable and efficient aswell, I enjoyed the week and learnt many great skills and talked to many experienced people in the field about architecture work and how UAL is and how it works which was all very helpful for the future.



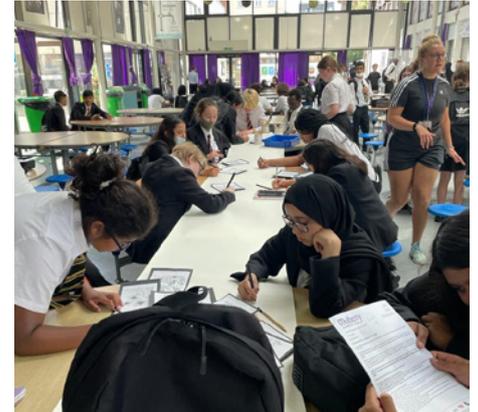
Sonia Mehregan

I chose the Animation and Game Arts insights program at London College of Communication and had an amazing time working there. To sum up what we did, we were given a brief of designing a character and to draw them doing a type of exercise in a loop. After drawing some body types and experimenting, I decided to draw a pear/human hybrid hanging/doing pull ups on a tree. It had to be relatively simple due to the lack of time but we progressed quite quickly and had a lot of fun working on it and being able to see how other artists worked, overall it was a really good experience and definitely inspired me to go into this field.



Art Week Activities

This week was Art week with a daily programme of creative activities including a treasure hunt, the Annual Art Exhibition, drawing activities, weaving and chalk drawing and on Friday there was a workshop with the A Team (Brady Arts Centre).



SPANISH DANCE

It was lovely to see students enjoying the Spanish and Latin American Dance workshop, organised by the languages department today. There were some impressive dancers and they had a great time learning new moves!



On Thursday 7th July our GCSE and ALevel Drama students went to see the magical musical Wicked.