

Executive Principal: Mrs Ruth Holden, MA, NPQH

Friday 9th September 2022

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

Mulberry Academy Shoreditch mourns the passing of her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, as announced on Thursday 8th September 2022. The passing of the Monarch and the Head of State of the United Kingdom will be marked in school in a number of ways in the coming days and weeks.

May she rest in peace.

Welcoming new Year 7 and 12 students

This week Year 7 were in the sports hall for a week of fun activities. The students have been really creative with building towers, playing games and having a great time! It was great seeing all of the students running around and having fun! They have all made new friends and have had so much fun!

We also had many of our former Year 11 students return this week to start in our Sixth Form. We've also had a high number of external students start with us as well, which is amazing! This week the students have been settling in and have attended enrichment assemblies to see what fun activities we have planned when they are not in the classroom. We have activities such as Dance, Krav Maga, Trailfam, Boot Camp, Jewellery Making, Culture Club and much more!

Year 12 External Parents' Evening

To get to know our new Year 12 students who have come from different schools across the Borough, we are running an External Parents' Evening on **Tuesday 27th September**. Parents will receive a letter over the next week inviting them in with timings.

Open Sessions

This year we are running tours and presentations of the school at 9:15am Monday to Thursday from the 19th September. Please share these dates and times with your friends and family.

Please see below for a list of all dates:

9:15 am - Monday 19th September to Thursday 22nd September

9:15am - Monday 26th September to Thursday 29th September

9:15am - Monday 3rd October to Thursday 6th October

Our Open Evening is on Thursday 6th October from 4pm – 6pm

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Year 7 Meet the Tutor

On Tuesday 27th September, we are holding a Year 7 meet the tutor event. A letter with appointment times and more information will be sent out shortly.

Year 12 Meet the Team

On Tuesday 27th September 2022 we are holding a Year 12 Meet the Team event for all Year 12 students.

Internal Year 12 students who are progressing to us from Year 11 will receive a letter shortly with more details.

Students who are new to Mulberry Academy Shoreditch have already received a letter.

If you cannot make this event, it is very important that you contact Ms Frankum and rearrange an appointment time.

Careers Guidance for Parents

It's just the start of the academic year but many students will already have their goals for the future in mind. To receive an up-to-date parental guidance pack about universities and apprenticeships, please request one by sharing your email address here: <https://mc.successatschool.org/guides22>

UCL Creative Saturday Clubs for Year9 – 11

UCL are building projects to support and engage schools and young people in East London, including two new creative Saturday clubs – free of charge! These exciting new clubs, part of the National Saturday club network will run on Saturdays in Term Time, 10:00 – 13:00 with a celebration event on 10th June. Participation will nurture young people's creativity and develop transferable skills such as creative problem-solving, planning timelines, and team work, as well as showcasing further education and career paths in creative areas.

There are two separate offers:

Film and Media Saturday club

Starts 24th September

Ages 13 – 15 (Year 9 -10)

<https://tinyurl.com/UCLFilmClub>

Art and Design Saturday club

Starts mid-November

Ages 13 – 16 (Year 9 – 11)

<https://tinyurl.com/UCLArtClub>

Yours faithfully



Mr Edward Rakshi
Head of School

Executive Principal's and Head of School's News



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Welcome to the new school year 2022-2023

Our GCSE and A level and Btec exams were the best ever!

Well done to all of our students for their wonderful behaviour and attitude when coming back into school - we are so proud. Each Year group has had a welcome back assembly to set out the expectations of the year.



Our new Year 7 have had a special 'get to know each other/bonding week' where they took part in lots of lovely team building activities and sport in their Bubble in the Sports Hall.



Our new Year 12 students are amazing - nearly all of our Year 11 students stayed with us for Sixth Form and we welcome a lot of externals too. We have the biggest sixth form ever with about 500 students doing A level and Btects with us.

Thank you,
Mrs Ruth Holden, Executive Principal
Mr Edward Rakshi, Head of School



Sixth Form Update

The Sixth Form has had a fantastic start back this week. We are especially delighted to welcome over 150 external students into year 12 from schools across London. It is wonderful to have them as part of the Mulberry community. The Sixth Form team have really enjoyed welcoming everyone back and getting to know you all.

Students have settled straight into lessons and we are already signing students up for their first Enrichment activities next Wednesday where we

have the biggest range of activities on offer. We cannot wait to see what everyone gets up to next week.



Year 7 House Day

Thursday was House Day for Year 7 with a big quiz, a fun and very creative fashion show followed by an afternoon of sports activities in the Sports Hall.



ACCESS AND WIDENING PARTICIPATION

Art & Design Saturday club

Ages 13-16

Free weekly club on painting, photography, sculpture and more

Starting this November in the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, E20 2AQ

Sign up: <https://tinyurl.com/UCLArtClub>
Further info: educationofficer@ucl.ac.uk



NATIONAL SATURDAY CLUB

ACCESS AND WIDENING PARTICIPATION

Film and media Saturday club

Ages 13-15

Free weekly club on film production, sound design, VFX and animation

Starting this September at ELAM, E3 3TA

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UCL

Welcome to our new Year 7s

We were very excited to welcome our new Year 7 students last Friday. We're looking forward to getting to know them all much better over the next few weeks and we have an exciting programme of activities throughout the coming year that students can get involved in. Here are some photos from their first week here at Mulberry Academy Shoreditch.



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WORD OF THE WEEK

Wow!

Empathy

Noun

DEFINITION
The ability to understand other people's feelings and problems.

EXAMPLE
The Year 10 student helped the Year 7 student look for his PE kit because he had empathy with him.
Ellis didn't like the book because he did not have empathy for the characters.

SYNONYMS
Compassion
Understanding

ANTONYMS
Apathy
(a lack of interest, concern or care.)

CHARACTERISTICS
From the Greek word 'empathia' meaning 'inside feeling'.
We have empathy with or empathy for someone.
Empathy is not the same as sympathy.

Welcome to Sixth Form

Our Year 12 students began their Sixth Form journey here at Mulberry Academy Shoreditch last Friday! We're looking forward to working with them over the next two years and getting to know all those who have joined us from other schools! Welcome Year 12!



MATHS PROBLEM OF THE WEEK

Did you manage to solve the maths problem this week?

Amrita thinks of a number. She doubles it, adds 9, divides her answer by 3 and finally subtracts 1.

She obtains the same number she originally thought of.

What was Amrita's number?

SOLUTION Her number was 6

Let Amrita's number be n . The information in the question tells us that $(2n + 9) \div 3 - 1 = n$. Therefore $2n + 9 = 3(n + 1) = 3n + 3$. Hence $n = 9 - 3 = 6$.

Do you enjoy performing arts?

We're really pleased to be able to offer a fantastic opportunity with the award-winning Anna Fiorentini Theatre & Film School. The school runs on Saturdays in Hackney and it has a new term starting on 17th September. Please see attached flyer at the end of the newsletter for further information.

Students aged 7-18 years old will be working on fun projects in drama, film dance and singing classes. Anna Fiorentini Theatre & Film School believes that professional performing arts training needs to be accessible to all young people who wish to build on their confidence, self-esteem and other transferable life skills, or to those who want to pursue a career in the arts industry. Through the Agency, many students have won leading roles on film, TV and in the West End.

They also run Fiorentini Weenies classes on Saturdays to introduce 4-6 year olds to the fun and excitement of the performing arts in a nurturing environment. The Performance Troupe is also based in Hackney and is for talented students who want extra performing opportunities in care homes, corporate events and more.

To find out more and to book your obligation-free taster day, visit:

www.aferperformingarts.com/theatre-and-film-school/schools

Our partnership with Anna Fiorentini Theatre & Film School means Mulberry Academy Shoreditch students will be able to claim 20% off their first term!

ANNA FIORENTINI THEATRE & FILM SCHOOL
THE AWARD-WINNING PART-TIME SCHOOL FOR 4-18 YEAR OLDS
CAMDEN | DOCKLANDS | GREENWICH | HACKNEY

Book your **TASTER DAY**
NEW TERM BEGINNING SEPTEMBER

Free or subsidised places available this term

Land leading roles on TV, Film and the West End Stage via our Talent Agency.

Boost confidence, increase self-esteem and develop transferable life skills

Acting, dance singing & film classes taught by industry professionals

Celebrating over 21 Years

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