

Executive Principal: Mrs Ruth Holden, MA, NPQH

Friday 9th December 2022

Dear Families

Hope you are well and keeping safe. Thank you to those of you that attended the Year 9 Options evening on Tuesday and the Annual Winter Fair last night. Both events were a huge success and I'd like to thank everyone who donated food for the foodbank.

Year 12

From **Wednesday 4th January** All year 12 students will be expected to arrive at school at **8:30am** in order to register in their form rooms at 8:35am. This will form part of our package of support in ensuring the best possible pastoral and academic support for the students.

Term Dates

With only one week 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 16th December 2023**.

The school is **closed** to students on **Tuesday 3rd January 2023**.

All Students will **return** to school on **Wednesday 4th January 2023**.

Flu Vaccine

This winter, now that life is back to normal, there is a very high risk that the NHS could be overwhelmed with illness caused by influenza, as we have not been mixing with others as much over the past few winters. Children who have the flu vaccine are less likely to pass the virus on to friends and family, especially those who may be at greater risk from flu, such as young babies, elderly people or friends and relatives with a serious health condition.

You can now complete consent for your child online. Please click <https://london.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2022/towerhamlets> to give consent, or to decline consent.

It is important to complete and return the form even if you do not want your child to have the vaccine.

Part of the

Mulberry
Schools Trust



For parents who want their child to have the vaccine that does not contain porcine gelatine, you can also do this by using the consent link above. You can also speak to your immunisation team if you require a consent form in a language other than English, or you can find them in other languages on the school vaccination website: www.schoolvaccination.uk

I have also attached the letter separately for you to read in full.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ed Rakshi', written over a horizontal line.

Mr Edward Rakshi
Head of School



Influenza (Nasal Flu) immunisation for pupils in secondary school years 7-9

Dear Parent/Carer,

We will soon be visiting your child's school to offer the free flu vaccine to all eligible children from years 7, 8 and 9. The nasal flu vaccine is painless, quick, and side effects are uncommon and generally mild. All pupils in special needs schools are eligible for the influenza immunisation.

Please note this is not the Covid vaccination.

This winter, now that life is back to normal, there is a very high risk that the NHS could be overwhelmed with illness caused by influenza, as we have not been mixing with others as much over the past few winters.

Children who have the flu vaccine are less likely to pass the virus on to friends and family, especially those who may be at greater risk from flu, such as young babies, elderly people or friends and relatives with a serious health condition.

Attached are some frequently asked questions (FAQs) about this vaccine.

You can now complete consent for your child online. Please click <https://london.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2022/towerhamlets> to give consent, or to decline consent.

It is important to complete and return the form even if you do not want your child to have the vaccine. If you choose not to complete the consent, this does NOT mean that you have refused the vaccine for your son or daughter.

For parents who want their child to have the vaccine that does **not** contain porcine gelatine, you can also do this by using the consent link above. If you wish for your child to receive the injection, please say no to the nasal flu vaccine, you will then be taken to the page where you can consent for the injection instead.

You can also speak to your immunisation team if you require a consent form in a language other than English, or you can find them in other languages on our website: www.schoolvaccination.uk

If your child has asthma and becomes wheezy or has their medication increased after you return this form, please contact the immunisation team on the number or email over the page.

We encourage you to share this information with your child / children.

Yours Faithfully,

Kind Regards,
Tower Hamlets School Immunisation team



New City College | Falkirk Street | London | N1 6HQ
T: (+44) 0207 613 9146

www.schoolvaccination.uk



Immunisation Team Information

London:

Barking & Dagenham	BarkingandDagenham@v-uk.co.uk	0203 343 2400
Hackney	Hackney@v-uk.co.uk	0207 613 8370
Haringey	Haringey@v-uk.co.uk	0208 017 7925
Havering	Havering@v-uk.co.uk	0203 343 2400
Islington	Islington@v-uk.co.uk	0208 017 7926
Newham	Newham@v-uk.co.uk	0208 214 1393
Redbridge	Redbridge@v-uk.co.uk	0203 343 2400
Tower Hamlets	Towerhamlets@v-uk.co.uk	0207 613 9422
Waltham Forest	Walthamforest@v-uk.co.uk	0208 017 4291

Additional Information:

****The consent form needs to be signed by a person with parental responsibility which includes:***

- Mother: automatic
 - Father: if married to the mother either when baby is born or marries subsequently
 - Unmarried father: if name appears on birth certificate (since 1/12/03) or legally acquired
 - Others: if parental responsibility is legally acquired
 - Parental Responsibility Agreement: signed, properly witnessed and sent for registration to Principle Registry or the Family Division (High Court)
 - Residence Order: granted by the Court
- *Please note that young people under the age of 16 can give or refuse consent if considered competent to do so by nursing staff.*



Additional information about Fluenz Nasal Flu Immunisation:

Are there any side effects of the vaccine?

Possible side effects are: decreased appetite, headache, a runny or blocked nose, or a mild temperature. These are common, but they pass quickly and can be treated with paracetamol or ibuprofen if you feel your child needs it. These are more common with the first ever dose of flu vaccine and should reduce with doses in the following years. For treatment of mild side effects, it is fine to take paracetamol according to the manufacturer's directions, or alternatively, ibuprofen can be given provided your child is able to take this.

Are there any children who shouldn't have the nasal vaccine?

You should let us know if your child has any of the following:

A **very severe** allergy to eggs, egg proteins, gentamicin or gelatine – it is important for us to know if your child has been admitted to hospital with a condition called anaphylaxis, triggered by these things. Are currently wheezy or have been wheezy in the past **72 hours with asthma**. There is an alternative flu vaccine that we can talk to you about to ensure that your child is protected as soon as possible. Have a condition that severely weakens their immune system.

Also, children who have been vaccinated should avoid *close* contact with people with very severely weakened immune systems for around two weeks following vaccination. This is because there's an extremely remote chance that the vaccine virus may be passed to them.

Contact with other healthy children or adults does not need to be limited after having the vaccine.

Can the vaccine strain of flu be spread to others who have not been vaccinated? (Viral shedding)

Unvaccinated contacts are ***not at risk*** of becoming seriously ill with the weakened flu vaccine virus, either through being in the same room where flu vaccine has been given, or by being in contact with a recently vaccinated pupil. No 'mist' of vaccine virus escapes into the air and therefore, there is no need for any child or staff member to be excluded from school during the period when the vaccine is being offered or in the following days. The tiny number of children who are extremely immunocompromised (for example those who have just had a bone marrow transplant), are already advised not to attend school because of the much higher risk of contact with other infections that spread in schools. Although vaccinated children do shed vaccine virus for a few days after vaccination, the virus is less able to spread from person to person than the natural infection. The amount of virus shed is normally below that needed to spread infection to others and the virus does not survive for long outside of the body. This is in contrast to natural flu infection, which spreads easily during the flu season. In schools where vaccine is being offered therefore, the overall risk of contact with influenza viruses is massively reduced by having most children vaccinated.



Additional information:

Vaccination UK Privacy Notice;

Who is collecting the data?

Vaccination UK is collecting information about your child to ensure that we have up to date health information about their health at the time that you are consenting for them to receive an immunisation. Their demographic information is used to ensure that we identify their electronic health record accurately.

What data is being collected?

We ask for basic demographic data to allow us to identify them and their health record. The information about their health is utilised by the nurses to ensure that they can confirm that the immunisation is suitable for them.

What is the legal basis for processing the data?

Section 9 (2)(h) of the Data Protection Act 2018 allows for processing of your child's data for the provision of direct healthcare and the management of healthcare systems.

Will the data be shared with any third parties?

Your child's data will be shared with their General Practice (GP) and with the child health information system (CHIS) which holds immunisation and screening information for all children in the UK.

How will the information be used?

We collect data on consent forms to allow us to identify a person's health record if you have consented to their immunisation and to allow the nurses to make decisions about their care based on the most up to date information about their current health.

How long will the data be stored for?

The information will be stored on their electronic health record after their vaccination; this information will be then be available throughout their lifetime. Their paper records will be destroyed once they have been scanned on to their record.

What rights does the data subject have?

Data subjects have the right to request a copy of any data we request or record about them.

How can you contact us with queries or concerns about this privacy notice?

If you have any queries or concerns regarding the information that we hold about your child or have a question regarding this notice, please contact us.

Executive Principal's and Head of School's News

Trust Sports event

On Tuesday Mulberry Shoreditch hosted the Trust Sports event for Autumn 2. Students from the Mulberry UTC, Mulberry School for Girls and Mulberry Stepney Green all came together to compete in Badminton and Table Tennis.

Well done to Ms Pitts for leading the event and to Mr Feasey for his amazing Choir. It was festive and fun!



Principal's Reward Trip

On Wednesday Ms Pitts and Ms Armstrong and I took a group of students to see Tower Bridge and



to have a tour of The Tower of London. It was amazing to see the Crown Jewels and look around The White Tower. It was so cold though and we finished off the trip with hot chocolate and Christmas lunch.

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

Senior Student Leadership Team

Following a very thorough process we are delighted to announce our new Head Girl and Head Boy and Senior School Council: Emaan Akbar (Head Girl), Sarunas Adrijaitis (Head Boy), Esha Jamal (Deputy Head Girl) and Joshua Ijiyemi (Deputy Head Boy).

They are excited to begin working with students, teachers, the senior leadership team and governors to continue making the Academy the best it can be!



JustGiving™

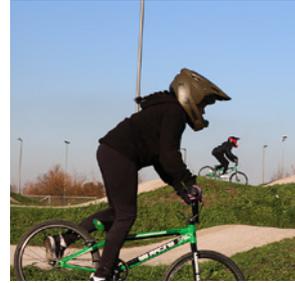
The last year has been extremely difficult for our students. As we come out of lockdown and our school begins to return to normal, there is an urgent need to give all our students the opportunity, not just to return to the classroom, but to have fun, to experience a trip somewhere, to feel the freedom 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>

“The safety and well-being of pupils takes centre stage.” Ofsted, 2022

Year 7 girls BMX



On Thursday a group of Year 7 girls went to the BMX track at Lee Valley Velopark. The progress they made during the hour long session was fantastic!



CHRISTMAS LUNCH

On Wednesday the whole school enjoyed a delicious Christmas Lunch courtesy of our wonderful team at Accent Catering.



Natural History Museum Trip



Social Sciences Society with Queen Mary University of London

On Tuesday 6th December Social Sciences Society students from MAS, Mulberry School for Girls and Mulberry Stepney Green went to the Natural History Museum to see the images in the Wildlife Photographer of the Year exhibition.

Winter Fair

We all enjoyed Thursday's Winter Fair which was a great success. Lots of festive games, lovely food and stalls to enjoy! Thank you for coming along to support our fundraising for local charities. It was also Christmas Jumper Day, helping us raise even more money!



Here are more photos from the Mulberry Schools Trust Badminton and Table Tennis tournament here at MAS on Tuesday.



STEM CORNER

This week year 10 Biology pupils determined whether exercise had an effect on their heart. They had a go at using Stethoscopes to measure 'patients' heart rate.



Congratulations to Fatou and Sara in 7F for solving last week's Problem of the Week!
 Congratulations to Malaz in 7F for solving this week's Problem of the Week!

Mulberry Academy Shore-ditch

WORD OF THE WEEK

WOW!

Evaluate

verb

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'.

Mulberry Academy Shore-ditch

THE WINTER MUSIC & ART SHARING EVENT

Wednesday 14th December
 at 3.45pm - 4:30pm in the Street

THERE WILL BE MUSICAL PERFORMANCES FROM THE CHOIR AND MUSICIANS, AS WELL AS A GALLERY DISPLAY OF STUDENTS' ARTWORK.

There will be refreshments and a festive atmosphere



STEM CORNER



A HUGE congratulations to all computer science students who have recently participated in the national Bebras computational thinking competition! All students did the school proud. The following students were in the top 10% of the country and will be going on to the next round to represent the school in the Oxford University Coding Challenge in January.

Year 7 Aishah Ali, Muhammad Syaraf Abdullah, Ismah Islam, Mohammed Akram Hussain, Alisa Young, Musammad Zahidah Choudhury, Lilly Elliott

Year 8 Dylan Ellis, Mohammed Quddus, Ethan Price

Year 9 Greta Kilgarriff, Ayan Yussuf

Year 10 Tauhid Harun

We also want to congratulate the students who won 'Best in School' in their age group:

Year 7: Aishah Ali, **Years 8/9:** Dylan Ellis (Y8), **Year 10:** Tauhid Harun, **Year 12:** Yusuf Bin Munim

The following students also received a Distinction award for being in the top 25% of their age group in the school:

Y12 Emaan Akbar, Abid Alam Joy, Kaan Kaplan, Adeel Islam, Shakera Ali

Y10 Tauhid Harun, Roman Ghairat, Liza Dalglish, Raheem Miah, Saif Uddin, Mohammed Qureshi, Zakariya Miah, Jaylani Xamza, Maymuna Rahaman, Tawheed Rahman

Y8/9 Greta Kilgarriff, Ayan Yussuf, Efe Kaplan, Khanh Pham, Mabel Barber, Syed-Abyad Iqbal, Michelle Yu, Mohammed Ihsaan Miah, Jackson Yu, Najwa Choudhury, Sajida Anisha, Sirine Djabiri, Yasin Ali, Amidur Rahman, Abdulkadir Mohamoud, Aman Khan, Marya Basit, Shaifat Bapaury, Liana Bhuiyan, Safa Aliyah Nugal, Khadija Sharif, Muhammad Mahdi Islam, Agit Abaci, Ruben Borg-Jones, Muhammad Ikram, Muhammad Tazwar Rahman, Muhammad Raihan Miah, Ahmed Farhan Labib, Umhani Dahir Abdulkhadir, Yusra Bilal, Khadija Jannath, Mustapha Benalalou, Rui Oural Dos Santos, Ayub Bin Ashraf, Mohammed Quddus, Ethan Price, Mohammad Tahmid Uddin, Sancheha Ali, Elliot Silva-Goncalves, Monzer Bushara, Amelia Rahman, Muhammad Istiaq Miah, Lilah Pacheco, Isra Farhan, Mohammed Tayef Uddin, Imdad Hussain, Yasin Islam, Isabella Wint, Purno Mahmud Khan, Syeda Khadija Ali, Khadijat Olowolagba, Thomas Garvey Azuar, Sara Muquid, Jacob Milne, Silas Ryan Heiduk, Miski Abukor, Muhammad Yusuf Haque, Muhammad Arif Mottalib, Nazeefa Mariya, Ayesha Salam, Alina Matiz Nicholls, Shaian Uddin Akter, Shamir Miah, Keira Knight, Muhammad Ismail Ahmed, Amelia Zainab Ansar, Akil Islam

Y7 Muhammad Syaraf Abdullah, Mohammed Akram Hussain, Alisa Young, Musammad Zahidah Choudhury, Lilly Elliott, Ismah Islam, Aidhyn Nayak, Tahna Khan, Maggie Cunningham, Sara Adnan, Yosef Bashkel, Musa Tahir Ali, Fatima Sanha Noba, Noman Uddin, Aiman Chowdhury, Tamara Howlader, Zakiya Azizah, Iba Islam Aadam Ali, Tazkiya Eifa, R'jae Samuel-Hendricks, Malaz Siddiq, Anisa Hussain, Eva Poyser, Kareemar Begum, Hannah Ahmed, Faizah Ahmed, Ahmed Omar Mohamed Sharif, Rochelle Wallace, Elio Mariano Lopes, Kiren Mootoo, Saul Kenneth Morris-Reich, Iqra Uygur, Asia Jama, Fatima Jahan, Leeanna Joseph, Afrida Idris, H.Manoah Mbombo, Omari Taylor

Invigilators wanted

Mulberry Academy Shoreditch is recruiting new exam invigilators to join our existing team. Invigilators create the conditions for our students to perform at their very best in their exams. The invigilator's role is highly regulated and training will be provided.

£11.05 per hour, plus £1.61 holiday pay per hour – casual engagement with flexible hours. Immediate Start.

To apply, please go to the careers section of our school website: <http://www.mulberryacademyshoreditch.org/careers/#toggle-id-1>

Benefits we offer: Staff are encouraged to use the free gym on-site. We have an employee assistance program, a cycle to work scheme, an interest-free season ticket loan, a multitude of discount vouchers with You At Work and free eye care tests. Staff car park. An abundance of professional learning opportunities. Best of all, we offer free breakfast to our staff.

Please note family relatives of students at Mulberry Academy Shoreditch cannot work as exam invigilators.

ANNA FIORENTINI THEATRE & FILM SCHOOL

THE AWARD-WINNING PART-TIME SCHOOL FOR 4-18 YEAR OLDS
CAMDEN | DOCKLANDS | GREENWICH | HACKNEY

Acting, dance, singing & film classes taught by industry professionals

Limited number of scholarships available this term

Celebrating over 21 Years

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

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

020 7682 1403
hello@aperformingarts.com
aperformingarts.com

Quote your school for 20% OFF NEW TERM BEGINNING JANUARY 2023

MATHS PROBLEM OF THE WEEK

Did you manage to solve the maths problem this week?

Harriet has a square piece of paper. She folds it in half to form a rectangle and then in half again to form a second rectangle (which is not a square). The perimeter of the second rectangle is 30 cm.

What is the area of the original square?

..... cm²

ANSWER: 144cm²

Let the side-length of Harriet's square be $4x$ cm. Then, the rectangle obtained when the square is folded in half measures $4x$ cm by $2x$ cm.

When that rectangle is folded in half, it gives a rectangle which is not a square so this rectangle measures $4x$ cm by x cm. The perimeter of the smaller rectangle is $2(4x + x)$ cm = $10x$ cm.

Therefore, since the perimeter of the smaller rectangle is given as 30 cm, we have $x = 3$.

Hence the side-length of Harriet's square is 12 cm and its area is 144 cm².

NOTICE

Year 8 HPV first dose will take place on Thursday 15th December

Please can you click on the link and complete the consent form for your child if you have not done this already.

If you do not consent can you please still complete the form

<https://london.schoolvaccination.uk/hpv/2022/towerhamlets>

Please can all paper consent forms please be returned to school even if your child will not be receiving the vaccination