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Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Dear Families

Hope you are well and keeping safe. Please read below important information.

### **Half Term dates**

Our half term dates for February are below:

School will finish at the normal time on **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023**.

All students will return on **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023** at the normal time.

The school will be closed to all students apart from some Year 11 students who have been invited in for intervention. Families with students in Year 11 will have received a letter or a text with more information.

### **External Sixth Form Information Evening**

On Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February, we will be holding a Sixth Form Information Evening from 4pm– 5pm. This information evening is for new external students interested in joining our sixth form. If you know students in Year 11 who do not already attend Mulberry Academy Shoreditch, please invite them along to the event.

### **Year 11 and 13 Mocks**

From Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023, Year 11 and 13 will be undertaking their mock GCSE and A Level Exams. All students should be focusing on revising for these.

### **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, coats must be removed on entering the building and uniform should be worn appropriately i.e. shirts must be tucked in and collar 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.

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

### **Punctuality**

The school day begins promptly at 8.35am and registration to school closes at 8.40am. Students who arrive after this time are considered to be late. Students who arrive after 8.40am will be supervised by a senior and pastoral member of staff on that day. They will continue to follow the standard curriculum for their year group. Parents and carers have been notified of this in letters as well as text messages, it is very important that your child arrives to school on time. Please make sure your child is on time to school – **8.40am.**

Yours faithfully



Mr Edward Rakshi  
Head of School

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## Executive Principal's and Head of School's News

### The King and Queen visit Brick Lane

We were lucky today to be asked to attend the King and Queen's visit to Brick Lane where King Charles planted a tree, then visited a local restaurant and then the Brick Lane Mosque.

A number of Year 7 students had their hands shaken by King Charles as did Tamsin Scales. Myself and a Year 7 student met Camilla and shook hands with her.



It was a lovely sunny occasion and the community really appreciated their visit and the way they chatted to locals and school children.



### Art walls

A number of walls in the school have been decorated with fantastic new artwork. They are immersive and educational and are an investment in our environment for our students.



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

### Notices

1. Half term break is Monday 13th February – Friday 17th February.
2. School returns at the normal time on Monday 20th February 2023 for all students.

## Sixth Form News

This week a group of our year 12 students enjoyed a trip to UBS to enjoy a special apprenticeship event. Students got to network, complete tasks and meet UBS apprentices. Our year 12 students are also busy with a Sheriff's Challenge event tomorrow where they will be presenting on key issues.

Meanwhile in year 13, it is all about



their preparation for mock exams which will be taking place just after half term. Students are focused and ready to sit their exams as they prepare for the real thing in June. We are also very proud to announce that the Sixth Form Team have sent off a record breaking 161 UCAS applications,



our highest number yet. Well done and thank you to everyone involved.

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Sixth Form

**SIXTH FORM  
INFORMATION EVENING  
WITH REFRESHMENTS  
WEDNESDAY 22ND FEBRUARY 2023  
4.00PM – 5.00PM**

COME ALONG  
AND FIND OUT  
MORE ABOUT  
OUR AMAZING  
SIXTH FORM

Location:

Mulberry Academy Shoreditch  
Gosset Street . London . E2 6NW

For more information contact: [sixthform@mulberryacademyshoreditch.org](mailto:sixthform@mulberryacademyshoreditch.org)

## An art day at the V&A



GCSE Art students spent Friday at the V&A drawing and researching for their exam project on the theme 'Lock'.



## The Franklin Lecture 2023

On Thursday evening, Year 12 students Sarunas Adrijaitis, Emaan Akbar, Emma Darcy Lewis were invited to attend The Worshipful Company of Educators 2023 Franklin lecture in the Egyptian Hall of Mansion House. The lecture was given by the Company's distinguished guest speaker, Alderman Professor Michael Mainelli MStJ PhD BA FCCA FCSI (Hon) FBCS and it explored new technology challenges from neuroscience to the 'persistent' Metaverse.



## Rowing at Stepney Green

On Wednesday a group of Year 7, 8 and 9 students went to Mulberry Stepney Green to take part in a Tower Hamlets Youth Games Rowing competition.



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# WORD OF THE WEEK

WOW!

## Circumnavigate

DEFINITION	EXAMPLE
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To travel completely around something.</li> <li>To avoid by going around.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Due to Covid measures, you have to circumnavigate the school building to get from the maths department to the LRC.</li> <li>They circumnavigated the traffic jam by driving down a little alleyway.</li> </ol>
SYNONYMS	ANTONYMS
To travel around. To orbit.	To go through. To meet head on.
CHARACTERISTICS	
From the Latin verb 'circumnavigare' = to sail around. The root of the word is 'circ' which means 'circle' or 'around'. Other words with the same root are circle, circulation, circuit...	

# Wellbeing Wednesday Club

Every Wednesday after school from 3.30-4.30

Activities every week range from...

- baking
- Crocheting
- Walking
- Gardening
- Creative crafts

Sign up sheets will be available but speak to Ms. Milton if you would like to be on the list.

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English Literature and the Arts Society with



## Society Theatre trip



The English society went to watch 'How Not to Drown' at the Stratford Theatre on Thursday 2nd February. It was a very moving play about an 11 year old refugee boy who was forced to leave Albania and flee to England illegally. The play explores his struggles as he faces his teenage years alone, in the English care system. There were only 5 actors who played a number of different characters, and several of them played the main character at different points. Once we figured this out it was an impressive and entertaining performance!

# #Let's Connect

Place2Be's  
**CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK**  
6-12 FEBRUARY 2023

This week Mulberry Academy Shoreditch has been celebrating Children's Mental Health week by hosting an array of well-being activities for our students to enjoy. Throughout the week, students have received assemblies from some of our school's Mental Health Ambassadors, explaining the importance of recognising mental health as an important aspect of our overall health.

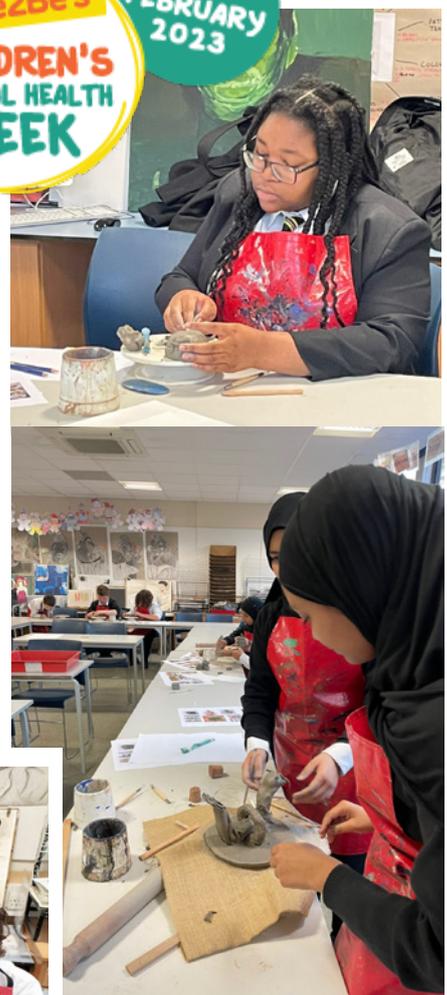
On Tuesday, we held round one of our MAS Pottery Throwdown where students were able to show off their creative talents by moulding, sculpting and hollowing a ceramic masterpiece to be painted and judged in round two.

This week has also seen the launch of our hotly anticipated Well-being Wednesday club, kicking off with a walk around Victoria Park with hot chocolate for all to enjoy.

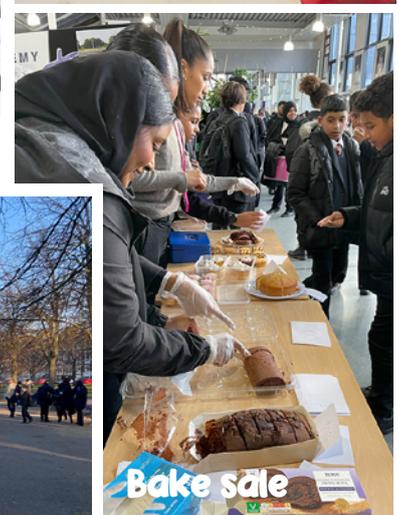
On Thursday we had 10 minute talks delivered by Kooth to each year group, to explain how students can access free, anonymous, safe online support for any wellbeing queries they might have. This link is useful if you are not familiar with what KOOTH offers and want to find out more: <https://www.kooth.com/video>. We also hosted a Bakesale to raise money for mental health charity Place2Be.

Finally, applications have opened for our school's first ever student mentor scheme, an opportunity for students to express their interest in supporting their peers. Please speak to Ms. Milton if you are interested in hearing more about this opportunity.

It has been a busy, but highly rewarding end to the half term and we are looking forward to continuing our mental health initiatives into next term and beyond!



Pottery Throwdown



Bake sale



Wellbeing Wednesday walk



Kooth assemblies



# STEM CORNER

Our Y12 A Level Computer Science students have been busy learning HTML, CSS and JavaScript for web development! They've worked in groups to make websites with logins, quizzes and lots of different content!

## IT'S TIME FOR A MINI QUIZ!

1. How can procrastination affect your studies?

- Improve grades
- Worsen grades
- Improve exam scores

2. How should you avoid procrastination?

- Remove distractions
- Have no breaks
- Sleep as late as you want

3. Time management is the problem for true procrastinators

- True
- False

All done!

overwatch ghost of tsushima COD: mobile

## GAMES

This is a website that explores three popular games that you should try out!

Games that we suggest:

Overwatch

Ghost of Tsushima

Cod: Mobile

login:

username

password

Login

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var messages = ["Joseph Bowman", "Frank Woods", "Soap Mactav"];
var pictures = ["joseph.bowman.webp", "frank.woods.webp", "soap"];

console.log(total);
var range;
if (total > 16){
  range = 2;
}
else if (total < 16 && total > 10){
  range = 1;
}
else if (total < 10){
  range = 0;
}

document.getElementById("afterSubmit").style.visibility = "visible";
document.getElementById("numberCorrect").innerHTML = "you got " +
  messages[range];
document.getElementById("picture").src = pictures[range];
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## Christ Church dancers

We have really enjoyed having this wonderful group of Year 4 pupils from Christ Church Primary School here at MAS over the last few weeks. They've shown so much energy and enthusiasm learning their dance routine during their Friday morning sessions with Ms Pitts!




## TEEN IMMUNISATION SAVES LIVES

Make sure you're protected #VACCINESWORK

## Notice - Year 9 parents/carers

Year 9 DTP/ACWY vaccinations will take place on Thursday 2nd March 2023

Please can you go on the link and complete the consent form for your child. If you do not consent can you please still complete the form

<https://london.schoolvaccination.uk/dtp/2021/towerhamlets>

## MATHS PROBLEM OF THE WEEK

Did you manage to solve the maths problem this week?

At 8:00 my watch was four minutes slow.

However, it gains time at a constant rate and at 16:00 on the same day it was six minutes fast.

At what time did it show the correct time?

**ANSWER: 11:12 OR 11 : 12**

In the 8 hours, or 480 minutes, from 8:00 to 16:00, my watch gains 10 minutes. Since it is 4 minutes slow at 8:00, it will show the correct time in  $\frac{4}{10}$  of 480 minutes after 8:00. Hence it will show the correct time 192 minutes after 8:00, which is 11:12.

Well done to Mohammed Akram Hussain (7E) for solving this week's Problem of the Week



# SKI TRIP '24

TO SESTRIERE, ITALY 13TH-19TH JANUARY

Cost £750 Pay in installments

44 PLACES AVAILABLE Y7-Y12

### THE COST INCLUDES

- Return executive coach travel
- Return ferry crossing
- 4 nights full board accommodation
- 4 days lift pass
- 4 days ski lessons (5 hours per day)
- Equipment hire including skis, ski boots and a helmet
- Activ4 representative
- Evening activities including Bingo and Quiz night and Pizze night.
- Full comprehensive insurance

ARE YOU INTERESTED? PLEASE SPEAK TO MS MCRILL

SCAN ME



activ4 school tours

The trip is organised by school tours

