

Executive Principal's and Head of School's News



Societies

This week we launched our Societies to the new Year 9 cohort. The programme covers Science, History, Social Sciences, English and the Arts, Economics, and International Studies and Politics. A year long schedule has been put in place including trips to Bletchley Park, The Globe, National Space Centre, livery halls and museums around London, plus inspirational talks from fabulous speakers including local MP's and community leaders.

Students have selected a Society

they would like to join and 10 students for each Society will be chosen. Good luck to all that have applied!

Open Mornings

Our Open Mornings are starting from Monday 18th September – they will be starting at 9.15am every morning and you will have a headteachers welcome with a tour from Year 7 students.

Please see below:

Monday 18th – Thursday 21st September – 9.15am

Monday 25th – Thursday 28th September – 9.15am

Monday 2nd October – Thursday 5th October – 9.15am

Open Evening - Thursday 5th October from 4 – 6pm

At Mulberry Academy Shoreditch we will always try to address any queries or concerns that you may have and will always ensure that this is done in a professional and courteous manner. We ask that you engage positively with our staff and treat them with respect and courtesy at all times.

Thank you,
Mrs Ruth Holden,
Executive Principal
Ms Melissa Gibson,
Head of School

Sixth Form News

Fantastic start to the 2023/24 Academic year for Mulberry Academy Shoreditch Sixth Form!

The Sixth Form has made a terrific start to the start of term. Despite the unusually warmer weather and humid circumstances, the students have been excellent in picking up from where they left off before the summer break



and have been eager to demonstrate their new knowledge and understanding. It is extremely important that every student makes a productive start to the new term, whether you are studying towards coursework assignments, exam preparation or participating in enrichment activities!

Year 12 students should have by now chosen their enrichment activities. Enrichment will start next Wednesday 20th September. Please can all Sixth Form students remember that lanyards



and cards must be always worn whilst onsite. Your card should be clearly displayed and visible.

One final reminder, for those students who are studying a Vocational BTEC qualification – please use the side entrance to enter and leave the site. For those students who are studying an A-Level qualification, please use back entrance to enter and leave the site.

Y12 BTEC

The Sixth form is thrilled to welcome our largest BTEC cohort. Our new Year 12 students were excited to begin their new course this week, with lots of exciting new learning taking place in Health and Social Care, Business, Applied Science, and Sports. Meanwhile, our year 13 cohort was welcomed back with their fantastic Summer grades, with many of our students celebrating outstanding results. BTEC at MAS looks forward to another fantastic academic year ahead.



Lambourne End trip

On Thursday, a group of students from the Inclusion Unit enjoyed a wonderful day out at Lambourne End Centre for Outdoor Learning in Essex. They saw week-old piglets, sheep, cows horses and goats. They held rabbits and guinea pigs and learnt about the differences in animals' fur/wool etc. and then they finished their trip with a picnic. What a great experience and a fantastic place to visit!



Year 7 Meet the Tutor
Wednesday 27th
September 2023

Year 12 Meet the Team
Wednesday 27th
September 2023

Upcoming House Events

The Big Quiz
Thursday 28th September
Dodgeball
Thursday 12th October

Come along and join in!

First House Week for 23-24

This week marked the first full House Week of the Year. We've had a focus on 'back to school' and 'resilience' in our tutor times. These sessions have encouraged students to consider the challenges that others have faced historically as well as reflecting on any challenges that they may have faced at school. A highlight has been our Year 11 students speaking in assembly to give advice to the younger students about how showing resilience has allowed them to find happiness and success

while at school. Well done to everyone that has been involved this week. We're all looking forward to an exciting year full of events!



Jude and Charlie in Year 7 prepared a really good speech for the first Barbican assembly. They spoke about the House Day they enjoyed last week. Very well done to them both - it takes courage to stand up and deliver a speech to your whole House group.



Enrichment Wednesdays

On Wednesday afternoon, Year 12 students had an assembly to provide information about all the exciting enrichment opportunities they can choose for their Wednesday Enrichment afternoons this term. There is so many projects and activities they can opt for such as kayaking and cycling at teh Velodrome, Model United Nations, A



creative project with Greenpeace, Music for Life, Yoga, running with TrailFam, Krave Maga, STEM Crest Awards, Careers Hotseating and Health and Social Care Insights. These afternoons offer some excellent opportunities to learn, meet new friends and gain skills and experiences that will enhance their personal statements and CVs.

Place2Be

Mulberry Academy Shoreditch is very excited to share with all our families that we have become a Place2Be school this year.

What is Place2Be?

Place2Be is charity that helps young people to explore their emotions and feel better about themselves.

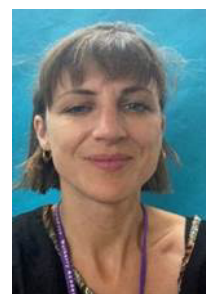
How do we provide support?

Place2Be is there to help young people find ways to cope, so their worries don't get in the way of their friendships, their learning or how they feel about themselves.

Place2Be also works with families, as well as teachers and school staff.

Susie Cunningham works from Tuesday to Friday and can be found in the Wellbeing Hub.

You can either arrange to meet Susie at school or email her on: Susie.Cunningham@place2be.org.uk. If you want to find out more about Place2Be visit www.place2be.org.uk



Improving children's mental health

In addition we are very fortunate to be working with SWISS this academic year.

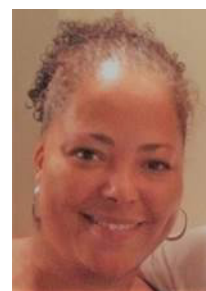
What is SWISS?

Following the success of the DfE funded project to place social workers in schools, Tower Hamlets are continuing to fund social workers in schools as part of its Early Help Service. Social workers will be working alongside school staff in relation to any safeguarding concerns that may arise and will work with children and families to resolve issues.

How do we provide support? (some examples follow)

- Signposting for support in housing, benefits and community resources
- Building relationships with young people, parents, schools and support service.
- Providing advice, guidance and parenting support
- Direct work with children and young people
- Workshops for young people
- Activities with children in the school holidays

Abbey Craven has extensive experience in this field and can be contacted via school or on 07783 763 165



GREENPOWER

Our Year 12 racing team had an early start on Sunday 10th September as they headed for a very hot Greenpower race day at Dunsfold Aerodrome (the Top Gear race track). Having started last they came an overall 8th and 2nd in their category F24+. Well done to the team!



MATHS PROBLEM OF THE WEEK

Did you manage to solve the maths problem this week?

You are told that 30 pupils have 25 different birthdays between them. What is the largest number of these pupils who could share the same birthday?

ANSWER: 6

There must be 25 pupils who all have different birthdays. If the remaining 5 pupils all have the same birthday as one of these pupils, then 6 pupils will share the same birthday.

Are you looking for a Secondary School place for September 2024?

Come and visit us....

Three weeks of Open Mornings

Time: 9.15am

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We would love to meet you.

2023 Best GCSE results ever on attainment and progress by students

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WORD OF THE WEEK

Wow!
Word of the Week

Ambitious

Adjective

DEFINITION

Aiming high and being determined to achieve something remarkable, but difficult.

EXAMPLE

Tonisha was an ambitious athlete. She'd set a goal to break the world record for running 200m before the ages of 25 yrs.

If Isaac's ambitious plan worked, he would raise one million pounds by 2025.

SYNONYMS

Motivated.
Driven.

ANTONYMS

Unenthusiastic.
Not bothered.

CHARACTERISTICS

From the old French 'ambitieux'.
The noun is 'ambition'.

Flu spray for years 7 to 11



If you would like your child to receive the flu spray/vaccination, please can you complete the online consent form.

<https://london.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2023/towerhamlets>

SPORTS CLUBS

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MONDAY

AFTER SCHOOL
3.40-4.30pm

YR8 Football

TUESDAY

BEFORE SCHOOL 7.45-8.30am
AFTER SCHOOL 3.40-4.30pm

Gym Before School 7.45-8.30pm
Badminton

WEDNESDAY

AFTER SCHOOL
3.40-4.30pm

GCSE intervention
Girls Football

THURSDAY

AFTER SCHOOL
3.40-4.30pm

Netball
YR9 Football
YR7 Football

FRIDAY

BEFORE SCHOOL
7.30-8.30pm

Gym Before School 7.45-8.30pm

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THE LIBRARY STUDENT VOICE GROUP

WE MEET EVERY WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME IN THE LIBRARY

OPEN TO YEAR 7+8

Have your say in enhancing your library.

See Ms Nessa in the Library for more info

COME AND JOIN US CREATIVE WRITING CLUB

OPEN TO YEARS 7-11

Monday Lunchtimes
1.00-1.30pm
Room 304

STARTS Wednesday 9th June

Exciting guests + trips + prizes
Competitions and snacks +
A chance to have your writing published!

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If you have any questions about this club please email Ms Fletcher-Ball
jfletcherball@mulberryacademyshoreditch.org