

Executive Principal: Mrs Ruth Holden, MA, NPQH
Friday 23rd February 2024

Dear families,

I hope you had a lovely half term. On Wednesday Year 11 had their Sixth Form Interviews, these went really well. Thank you to Ms Scales and her team for their leadership of this event and well done to the Year 11s for presenting themselves so brilliantly, we look forward to welcoming them to our Sixth Form in September.

Year 11 and Year 13 Mock Exams

Good luck to Year 11 and Year 13 who start their Mock Exams next week. All students will have received an individual timetable and parents will have received a letter and a copy of this. It is vital all students know their timetable and arrive to school on time.

Week A beginning 26th February 2024

DAYS	Mon 26th February	Tues 27th February	Weds 28th February	Thur 29th February	Fri 1st March
08:30	Registration and warm up rooms	Registration and warm up rooms	Registration and warm up rooms	DROP DAY	Registration and warm up rooms
09:00	Further Maths Core Pure 1	Chemistry Paper 1 Physical and Inorganic English Literature Tragedy French Paper 1: Listening, reading and writing Spanish Paper 1: Listening, reading and writing Music Appraisal - Component 3	GCSE resit maths		NO EXAM
08:30	Registration and warm up rooms	Registration and warm up rooms	Registration and warm up rooms		Registration and warm up rooms
13:30	Biology Paper 1 AS Business Paper 1 Computer Science Paper 1: Computer Systems Politics Paper 2: Government and politics of the USA and comparative politics	NO EXAM	Geography Paper 1 Law Paper 1 Maths Pure Religious Studies Component 1: Islam		NO EXAM

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09:00	Geography Paper 2 History Paper 2	No Exam	Maths Paper 1 Non Calculator		Latin: Component 1 Computer science: Paper 1 Music: Component 3 Drama: Drama and theatre studies PE GCSE: Paper 1 PE BTEC: Component 3 Business: Paper 2
13:00		Registration and warm up rooms	Registration and warm up rooms		Registration and warm up rooms
13:30	No Exam	English Language Paper 2	French Reading and Listening		Biology Paper 1

Year 7 Parents' Evening

The Year 7 Parents' Evening is on Tuesday 27th February 2024 from 3.30pm to 5.30pm. We look forward to seeing Parents/Carers.

Change of Date - Year 8 HPV Injection

The Year 8 HPV injections will now be administered on Monday 22nd April 2024.

Uniform Standards

Students must wear their blazers around the school building at all times. If you have a child in Sixth Form, please remind them to wear their lanyard. Hoodies are not allowed inside the school gates and any seen will be confiscated.

Yours faithfully



Ms Melissa Gibson
Head of School

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Executive Principal's and Head of School's News

Welcome back to the Spring 2 term. It is a busy six-week term with lots of Mock exams and events and trips taking place.



Sixth Former meet Ed Balls

Thank you to Ms Fabian who, during the half term break, took Sixth Form student Antoine Berty to an event in the City hosted by some of our friends in the Livery companies in London. Ed Balls former Labour politician and Strictly Come Dancing celebrity was there and students met him. Hopefully he will visit the school soon.

6th Form Interviews

On Wednesday all Year 11 students had an interview for our Sixth Form. Many staff were involved and

students had a personalized interview looking at their grades and their interests.

Thanks to Ms Scales for leading this event.



LGBTQIA+

Shoreditch school is proud of our diversity and true representation of everyone and celebrate this month in particular this culture we have of being a school for everyone.



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

Open Mornings

We are opening our doors again six more times for Year 6 parents and students to come and see the school. Open mornings will take place from 9.00am to 10.30am on:

Monday 4th March 2024
Tuesday 5th March 2024
Wednesday 6th March 2024
Monday 11th March 2024
Tuesday 12th March 2024
Wednesday 13th March 2024



Sixth Form News

Congratulations Ayarna Brown who has, in addition to the UCL Expand Programme, successfully secured a position with King's College London to provide access to Law workshops and provisions. Ayarna attended King's College on Wednesday to participate in the first workshop!

Congratulations Anisa who had a successful second stage telephone interview for the Access Ashurst Law

Internship. Anisa spoke with great clarity and maturity. We are excited to hear about the outcome!

Next week, there are several students attending the 'Bridging the Gap in the Legal Sector' workshop, held at Weil Gotshal & Manges LLP. This networking event will help demystify the industry and illustrate how the legal profession is varied and diverse, moving beyond traditional routes in law firms.

During half term, Sixth Form student Antoine Berty was invited by the Worshipful Company of Educators to the 2024 Franklin Lecture given by the Strand Group of King's College, London. The lecture explored how the historical analysis of past events can better inform future decision making. Antoine was pleased to meet Prof Ed Balls at the event (see photo above).

Please can Year 13 keep an eye out for subject interventions taking place next Thursday 29th February - student lists will be printed out and displayed on the Sixth Form noticeboard, alongside posted on Teams!



This week's featured painting is by Fateha Begum, Year 13

UCAS UPDATE

We've continued having lots of great offers coming in, including:

- **Medical Biosciences at Imperial College London**
- Sport, Exercise and Physical Activity at Durham
- Social Work at Bath
- Accounting and Finance at Leicester
- Music at Kent
- English Language and Linguistics at Queen Mary
- Business Management at Nottingham Trent
- Aerospace Engineering at Bristol, UWE
- Economics at Queen Mary

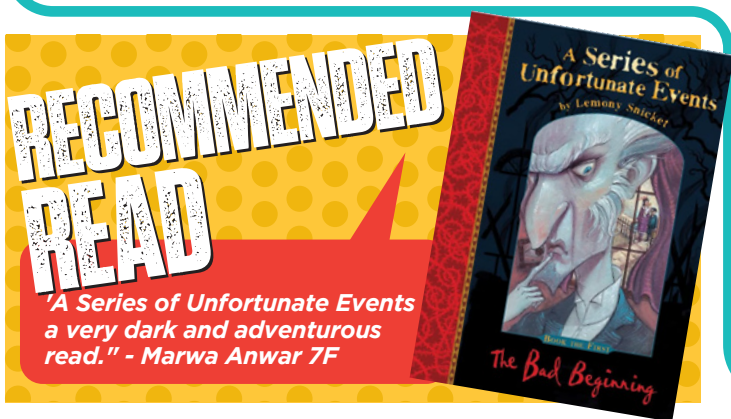
Good luck to all students in their interviews at Imperial this week!

MULBERRY STEM ACADEMY

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Graduation Ceremony

On Thursday 8th February our STEM Scholars attended their graduation event at Mulberry UTC where they received awards in recognition of their commitment and hard work during their STEM Academy course, a course that has given them a really valuable opportunity and potential to continue education and pursue careers in STEM and motorsports. It was a fantastic event and lovely to see lots of proud parents and carers celebrating with us. We're so proud of all our students in cohort 3 and we hope you enjoyed the afternoon as much as we did.



Art trip to the Tate

Year 11's Art & Design/Photography students visited the Tate Modern, for research and inspiration for their forthcoming GCSE exam title "Power". Students sketched and photographed sources for the theme, like "Power" iconic buildings like St Pauls Cathedral, London City skyline; The Power of Nature "The river Thames" and powerful, thought-provoking artwork in the Tate Modern gallery. All students behaved amazingly and thanks to Ms Gullick, Ms Kilmanaite, Ms Flood and anyone who covered the Art lessons. It was a huge success.



Dr Ronx visits MAS

For the text 'This month in school we are celebrating LGBT+ History Month and we have been focusing on it in tutor time this week. Barbican and Trafalgar were lucky enough to have a visit from Dr Ronx! Dr Ronx is an emergency medicine doctor, graduated from Kings College London in 2011 and are known for their work on CBBC's show Operation Ouch! Our house leaders Jaya Green and Maggie Cunningham both asked Dr Ronx some questions in assembly about their experience as a doctor in the NHS as a queer, black, androgynous, intersectional feminist.



Date change

Your child is due to receive their HPV vaccination, which will be given in school on **Monday 22nd April 2024**

Please complete the form by following this link, even if you wish to refuse.

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

BOOKSHOP VISITS
BRICK LANE BOOKSHOP
WATERSTONES LEADENHALL MARKET
IDEA STORE VISIT
TUESDAY 5TH MARCH

HOUSE BOOK QUIZ
THURSDAY 7TH MARCH
FILMS AT LUNCH TIME

MONDAY 4TH - FRIDAY 8TH MARCH

WE'RE CELEBRATING
WORLD BOOK DAY
THURSDAY 7TH MARCH

THROUGHOUT THE WEEK READATHON

HOUSE TREASURE HUNT
CREATIVE WRITING COMPETITION
BOOK LANYARD HUNT COMPETITION
TUTOR TIME BOOK DISCUSSIONS

CHARACTER DAY
DRESS UP AS A CHARACTER FROM YOUR HOUSE BOOK
MAKE A COSTUME AFTER SCHOOL ON WEDNESDAY 6TH MARCH

WORLD BOOK DAY
7 MARCH 2024

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12 YEAR TRIP TO WALES

WEDNESDAY 6TH TO FRIDAY 8TH MARCH

ADVENTURE
activities like climbing and gorge walking
there will also be a mountain challenge day.

COST £80
includes all travel, accommodation, food and activities.

Open to all Year 12 students
Email Mr Stokes if you want to reserve a place.

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WORD OF THE WEEK
Plagiarise

DEFINITION
To take words or ideas from another person's work and use them in your work, without stating that they are not your own.

EXAMPLE
1. He had to repay £10,000 in royalties for plagiarising another rapper's lyrics.
2. Her teacher had to explain to her that copying and pasting someone else's words from the internet was plagiarism.

SYNONYMS
To copy. To steal. To use illegally.

ANTONYMS
To be original. Create something new.

CHARACTERISTICS
From the Latin word 'plagiarius', meaning 'kidnapper'.

STEM CORNER

STEM Workshop

60 students from year 9 enjoyed a fantastic workshop delivered by the Smallpeice Trust. Students learned about engineering as a career and taught the students some aeronautical engineering skills. These skills were then put to the test when in groups the students had to design and build model aircraft using hot glue guns, saws, small motors and a range of materials they had to bid for. The day culminated in a competition to see which plane flew the furthest and a presentation from each group about their designs and the marketing strategy behind it! Thank you to the Smallpeice Trust for delivering such a fantastic workshop!



History Society

On Thursday, History Society students visited The Clink Prison Museum, where students really enjoyed learning about the gruesome history of London's most notorious prison which operated from the 12th century until 1780 and now replicates the original conditions of the original jail.

History Society

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MATHS PROBLEM OF THE WEEK

Did you manage to solve the maths problem this week?

The kettle in Keith's kitchen is 80% full. After 20% of the water in it has been poured out, there are 1152ml of water left.

What volume of water does Keith's kitchen kettle hold when it is full?

ANSWER: 1800ml

20% of the 80% is 16% of the kettle's capacity. Therefore the volume of water left in the kettle after Keith has poured out 20% of the original amount is 64% of the kettle's capacity. So when full, the kettle holds $\frac{1152}{64} \times 100$ ml, that is 1800 ml.

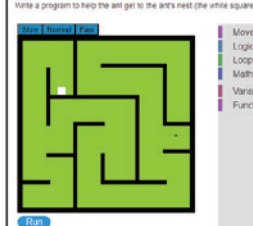
Congratulations to our students who competed in the Oxford University Coding Challenge a few weeks ago. After placing in the top 10% nationally in the Bebras competition, these students put their coding skills to the test in a really difficult competition. Our students did better than both the Greater London and the national average! Particular well done to Dylan Ellis for placing in the 91st percentile, among the top 10%! Aishah Ali (Y8), Isabella Wint (Y9) and Lilah Pacheco (Y9) also did very well placing in the 80th percentile and Alisa Young (Y8) in the 50th percentile. Here are two of the questions our Y8s and Y9s solved - can you do these?

GREAT WORK!

Return to the Nest

The ant, seen on the right side of the maze, is a long way from home.

Task Write a program to help the ant get to the ant's nest (the white square).



Mangoes

The mango season has arrived.

A market stall owner sells mangoes for three days each week. She buys mangoes in the morning and sells them during the day. Any that are left over are kept for the next day. The stall owner ensures that older mangoes are sold before newer ones.

At the end of each day:

Day 1: Buy 10 mangoes, Sell 6 mangoes (3 old, 3 fresh). Keep 4 old mangoes.

Day 2: Buy 5 mangoes, Sell 7 mangoes (4 old, 3 fresh). Keep 2 old mangoes.

Day 3: Buy 1 mango, Sell 3 mangoes (2 old, 1 fresh).

A total of $6 + 3 + 1 = 10$ fresh mangoes were sold during the 3 days.

Day	Buy	Sell	Old	Fresh
Day 1	10	6	4	0
Day 2	5	7	2	3
Day 3	1	3	1	2

Task Complete the function so that it outputs the total number of fresh mangoes (those sold on the same day as they were bought) sold during a 3-day period.