

Executive Principal and Principal's News

THE
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Parents' Evening

On Tuesday the Year 9 parents' evening was very well attended. Thank you to parents and carers who came along to meet with teachers.

Visitors from Belgium

On Wednesday we welcomed a group of educators from Belgium who were visiting to find out about



our school and the different aspects of our school life from teaching and learning strategies, pastoral care, inclusion and enrichment to the House system and daily experiences of our students and staff alike. They had a tour of the buildings and presentations from school leaders. This is what our visitors said following their morning at MAS:

"We would like to thank you for the inspiring visit at Mulberry Academy.

All of our colleagues were in awe of how the school is run and how you can feel the values of your school everywhere."

Mulberry STEM Academy work experience

The first group of Mulberry STEM Academy students have spent this week at the Mercedes-Benz

Grand Prix headquarters in Brackley. They've had a fantastic and productive week – we're looking forward to hearing from them about their experience.



to Sir David Attenborough



This week students have been getting involved in lessons and activities to celebrate the 100th birthday of renowned broadcaster, natural historian and writer, Sir David Attenborough. See how we marked this milestone on page 2.

Mrs Ruth Holden,
Executive Principal

Ms Melissa Gibson,
Principal

Sixth Form News

Year 12 students begin M&G Skills for Life programme

Our Year 12 students recently took part in the first of three workshops as part of the M&G Skills for Life programme, delivered in partnership with The Talent Foundry.

The opening workshop focused on developing employability skills, confidence, and career readiness, giving students valuable insight into the professional world. Through interactive activities and discussions, students explored key workplace skills including communication, problem-solving, and teamwork. The session was highly engaging and encouraged students to reflect on their future aspirations while building practical skills that will support them beyond sixth form education.

This was the first workshop in a three-part series, with the remaining two sessions taking place over the next fortnight. We look forward to seeing our students continue to benefit from this exciting programme and further develop their confidence and employability skills.



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WORD OF THE WEEK

Recognition

Noun

DEFINITION

- Public respect and thanks for someone's achievements.
- The act of identifying or knowing someone or something.

EXAMPLE

She was presented with an award in recognition of her excellent progress at school.

He stared at her, but there was no sign of recognition.

SYNONYMS

Appreciation
Acknowledgement
Acceptance

ANTONYMS

Disbelief.
Blame.

CHARACTERISTICS

From the Latin verb 'recognoscere', re + cognoscere = to re-know or re-see. Recognition is often followed by 'of' or 'that'. The verb is 'recognise'.

Sir David Attenborough turns **100**

In a week-long celebration of Sir David Attenborough's 100th birthday and his life and career spent caring for our planet, our students took part in activities based the natural environment.

In Science, Years 7 and 8 learned about biodiversity in the local area and how to encourage wildlife into our urban environment. They made bug houses and placed some of them in our school grounds to create habitats for insects.



Thank you to the Year 10 work experience students for an excellent collection of leaves and twigs to make the bug houses



All students could take sunflower seeds home to grow



Students watched some of Sir David Attenborough's famous wildlife documentaries at lunchtimes in the library, and on Friday they wrote letters to wish him a Happy 100th Birthday.

Alastair Campbell talks politics



Last week History and Politics A Level students went to Mulberry UTC to listen to the renowned British political strategist and commentator, Alastair Campbell. Mr Campbell started with a short talk about the importance of participating in politics and then was very keen to answer as many questions as possible from the students. It was a morning of good discussion and debate and the students came away from the event with lots of thoughts and ideas. We all enjoyed it and two of our students even managed to get a signed copy of his latest book!

Year 10 bake sale supports Action for Kids

This term, our students have continued to demonstrate outstanding creativity, teamwork, and social responsibility through a range of enrichment opportunities and community projects.

Our Year 10 students recently organised a successful bake sale as part of their Envision project, raising money for the charity Action for Kids. Students worked collaboratively to plan, advertise, and run the event, showcasing impressive entrepreneurial skills and community spirit.

The bake sale featured a variety of homemade treats and was well supported by both students and staff across the school. Through their hard work and dedication, the Year 10 team raised valuable funds to support the charity's work with disabled



children, young people, and their families.

The project has provided students with an excellent opportunity to develop leadership, communication, and teamwork skills while making a positive impact within the wider community.

** Well Done **



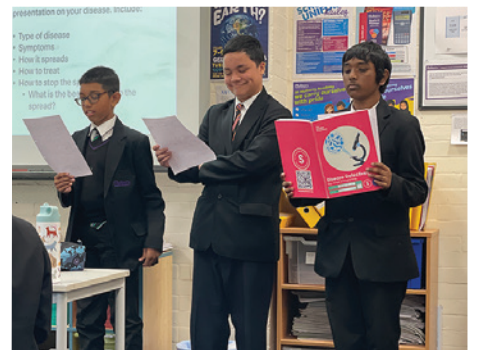
Netball Competition

A group of Year 9 and Year 10 students participated in a netball competition at Langdon Park School. The girls played exceptionally well, drawing against Mulberry Girls and narrowly losing to Central Foundation and Langdon Park. Well done to all involved. Ms Izobo



Brilliant club

Well done to the Brilliant Club students who gave some great presentations from their 'Disease Detective' research into different types of diseases such as Ebola and Malaria, during their session on Thursday.



Art club



get creative with clay
on Thursday at lunchtime

UKMT intermediate maths challenge

* Well Done *

Congratulations to the following Y7 students who sat the UKMT junior maths challenge and gained a certificate!

GOLD

Muhammad Abbas Jalil
(Best in school)

ISSI Phipps

SILVER

Elodie Arbiso
Florence Epton

Zaheer Rahman

Muhammed Hussein

BRONZE

Rehaan Hossain

Sylvie Scott

Keon Freeman

Ruwayda Osman

Year 10 Work Experience

A group of students recently completed their work experience at St Hilda's East. The students conducted themselves very well throughout their placement, and the staff were highly impressed with their attitude and effort. They would be very happy to welcome them back in the future.



Well done Tate House!

A win for
Tate at the
Badminton
tournament
on Thursday



Asthma Pumps

If your child has asthma, please make sure they bring their Asthma pumps to school daily. School also need a spare Asthma pump as well.

Medication for Care Plans

Please can you make sure that your child's medication is brought into school if you have received a text requiring this. It is important that school have up to date medication.



Year 8 HPV Vaccine 2024-2025

Will take place in school on the following dates:
Monday 11th May 2026 9am



MATHS PROBLEM OF THE WEEK

Did you manage to solve the maths problem this week?

Taran thought of a whole number and then multiplied it by either 5 or 6. Krishna added 5 or 6 to Taran's answer. Finally Eshan subtracted either 5 or 6 from Krishna's answer. The final result was 73. What number did Taran choose?

ANSWER: 12

Supporting your child to stay safe online

Multiple or 'hidden' accounts are not truly private

Children may create secondary accounts (e.g. "finstas") thinking they are hidden, but content can still be shared or discovered. For example, screenshots from a "private" account are often shared during disagreements between friends.

Peers often share or expose these accounts during fallouts. **What parents can do:** Keep open conversations about all accounts your child uses and avoid making it feel like they need to hide them.

If you have any concerns, please speak to your child's head of year or contact Lauren Gillott, E-Safety Lead (lgillott@mulberryschoolstrust.org)