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Mulberry Academy Shoreditch ThisWeek

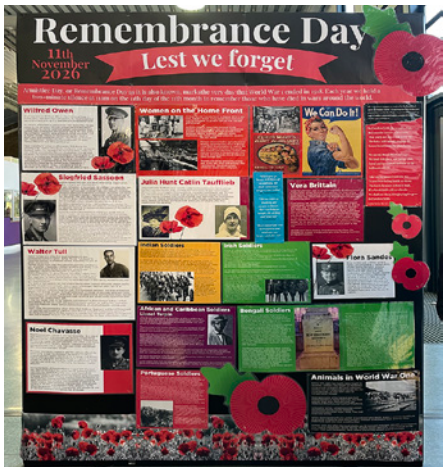
Executive Principal and Principal's News

THE MAS WAY — AMBITION · INCLUSION · COMMUNITY

Happy World Kindness Day

Remembrance Day

On Wednesday 11th November we held a 2 minute silence to commemorate the contribution of British and Commonwealth military and civilian service people in the two World Wars and later conflicts.



Happy Diwali

To all those who celebrated Diwali, the Festival of Lights, last weekend. Diwali is a time to celebrate new beginnings, the triumph of light over darkness, and the values of kindness, hope and togetherness.

Mock exams

A huge well done to our Year 11 students who worked incredibly hard throughout Remote Learning Week, coming in every day for their mock exams and showing great commitment, effort and resilience throughout this important period of their studies.

Year 10 Prefects

A group of Year 10 students have been selected to be Prefects and we look forward to working with them as they support daily school life, as great role models to our younger students. They had a training session on Friday to help them fulfil their new role.



Mulberry Festival of Arts

Our students took part in the Mulberry Festival of Arts on Monday and Tuesday hosted at Mulberry School for Girls. The festival was a wonderful celebration of creativity, talent and artistic expressions. Students had the opportunity to experience a range of performances and activities, explore different aspects of the arts and celebrate the creativity of young people. It was a fantastic opportunity to engage with the arts beyond the classroom.



Sixth Form News

It has been a busy and exciting week in the Sixth Form, with students making the most of new opportunities and preparing for their next steps.

Careers adviser meetings have been taking place, providing students with valuable guidance on university, apprenticeships and future career options. Our Year 13 students are also continuing to work on their UCAS applications, with support from the Sixth Form team.

Our new Year 12 Student Leadership Team will hold its first meeting today! With fresh ideas, enthusiasm and ambitious plans, we are excited to see how this new cohort will help shape Sixth Form life and champion student voice.

Our enrichment programme has returned, offering students opportunities to develop new skills, explore interests and get involved in activities beyond the classroom.

Year 13 and Year 12 vocational students are preparing for their mock examinations. We encourage students to revise consistently, stay focused and seek support when needed. Excellent attendance and punctuality remain essential, particularly during this important period. Every lesson counts!

Our upcoming Vocational Parents' Day will be a valuable opportunity for parents and carers to discuss student progress, attendance and achievement. Further details will be shared soon.





Enrichment Wednesdays continue with a variety of activities from ice skating to immersive challenges at Gamebox (above) and much more.

Are you looking for a Sixth Form place in September 2027?

Sixth Form Open Evening

We look forward to meeting you.

Thursday 19th November . 4-6pm

Youth achievement awards 2026

Congratulations to all our students who were recognised at the Tower Hamlets Youth Achievement Awards 2026 held on November 4th.













PREFECTS

Our Year 10 Prefects enjoyed a morning of training on Friday to help them prepare for responsibilities like mentoring younger pupils, monitoring corridors, and representing the school.

Gold Crest Awards



The CREST Gold Award is a nationally recognized, student-led STEM project scheme run by the British Science Association for students typically aged 16 and older.

Students must dedicate a minimum of 70 hours to a single, sustained project area. The work must contribute something new to a scientific or technological field rather than just repeating a standard classroom experiment.

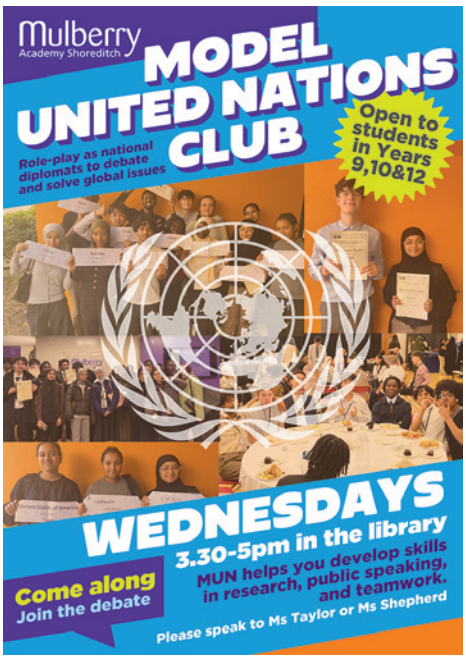
Achieving the GOLD CREST Enhances UCAS personal statements and provides a strong talking point for university interviews, proving academic independence, deep subject interest, and research rigor- Students should be very proud of their achievements as we are.

A massive Well done to the following students who have achieved their Gold Crest awards: **Johanna Bekele**, **Mohamed Moussaoui**, **Najwa Choudhury, Teddy Sharpe, Samuel Olatunbosun, Safa Aliyah and Mohamed Nugal.**

Additional Year 13 teams are currently finalising their projects and we look forward to updating you on their outcomes.







STEM at West Ham

A group of y8 Students travelled to the West Ham Foundation in Beckton for their first session of a 5 year STEM project. Students had sessions on scratch programming, VR headsets, mini robotic vehicles and laptop components. They worked really hard and were espically happy to receive an excellent bag of goodies as a perfect end to their day.





Kraft Heinz work experience

Here are some images from last week's work experience placement at Kraft Heinz in the Shard. The students represented the school very well and the volunteers at Heinz had some amazing feedback regarding the students. One employee said 'this is the best group of Y10s we have ever had'. Students were put in groups with others from different schools and were given a brief of improving Heinz Mayo so they can overtake Hellman's as the number one brand. There were some fantastic ideas in how they would use advertisement, promotions and marketing to make this happen. Using influencers and clever advertising to succeed.





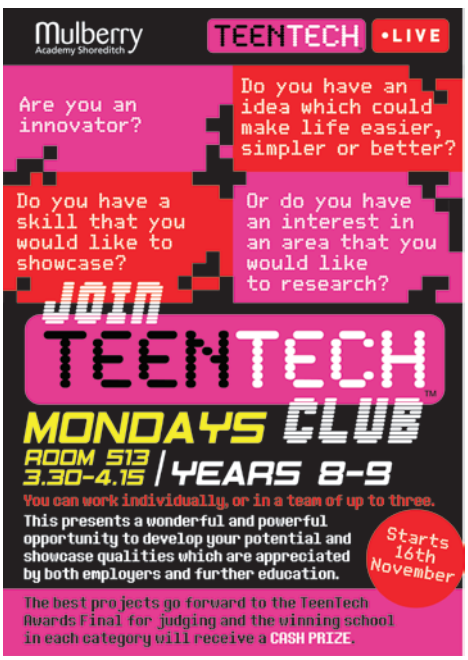


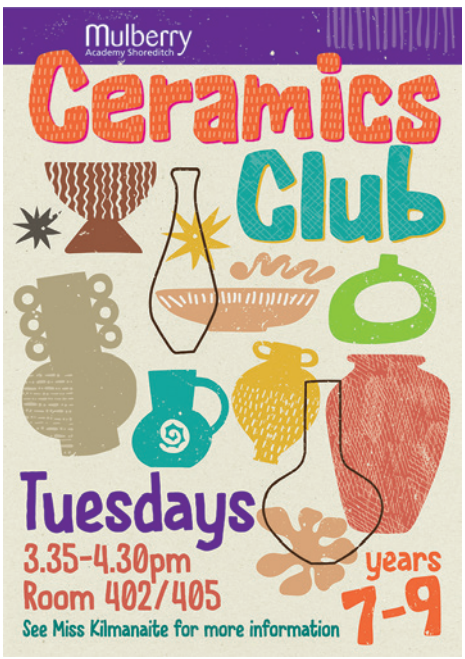














Winning team

The Y7s participated in the Tower Hamlets Borough football competition today and won the Shield.
Results from the competition:
Group stage:
MAS 5-0 Oakland (Messi Matthews-Wallace x3, Samuel Gulizia x2 - POTM: Messi)
MAS 0-0 Stepney All Saints (POTM: Roman Taylor)
MAS 0-0 Bow School (POTM: Ibraheem Hussain)
Shield semi-finals:
MAS 3-0 Mulberry Stepney Green (Samuel Gulizia, Yahiya Khan, Kaeden Craig-Newell - POTM: Curtis Mullan-Coade)
Shield final:
MAS 2-1 Bow School (Samuel Gulizia, Yahiya Khan - Eesa Kamaly)
MAS came from behind to win with Yahiya's goal coming in the last 30 seconds in the final.
The boys demonstrated excellent work ethic, resilience and sportmanship throughout and represented the school well!







AI PARENTS' GUIDE

AI Doesn't Always Get It Right

AI tools such as ChatGPT can answer questions in seconds, but the information they provide is not always correct. AI can make mistakes when answering questions about history, science, mathematics or even everyday topics.
For example, a student might ask AI to solve a maths problem. The AI could explain each step clearly but make a calculation error halfway through, resulting in an incorrect answer. Because the explanation looks convincing, the student might not notice the mistake.
What parents can do: Encourage your child to check AI answers against their class notes, textbooks or other reliable sources, particularly when using AI for homework.