

WOODSIDE CELEBRATES KEY STAGE 3 AWARDS EVENING!



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DEAR PARENTS AND CARERS,

It's been a very different week this one, and one I know has been full of highlights. The Trust INSET day was very productive in helping plan to support all young people in their learning at Mulberry Schools. The phrase every moment matters came up very often, and our strategic aims for next year are centered on how our teachers can most rapidly respond to learners in the classroom.

Tuesday's Sports Day was another real highlight, and the new format of movement around activities helped to engage more students. Thanks to our PE team and Mr Rowling for his leadership. Year 10 students, as well as enjoying Sports Day, did some focused Maths.

Thursday was our Transition Day, a great way to meet some new—but in many ways familiar—students. As we welcome siblings, students who attended Easter School or we've met in school, they feel very familiar already.

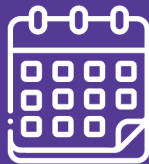
We've also been lucky enough to have visitors this week from our primary schools including Earlham and Devonshire Hill and Welbourne taking part in Science, English and Robotics.

Next week we have the Art Exhibition in the Hub from 9:00–5:30, and families are welcome to join us at any point, with work from the local area including Rowland Nursery, Risley and Devonshire Primary School. The Duke of Edinburgh expedition and our Balkans Day - in celebration of the region of southern Europe including Bulgaria, Romania, Greece, Albania and parts of Turkey. Food, drink and assemblies will be in abundance.

Finally, a real highlight was Emily in Year 8 winning her age category in the LIT Got Talent. Her rendition of *I Have Nothing* by Whitney Houston was outstanding and brought a tear to judges' eyes.

Ms. Wallace

UPCOMING KEY DATES



Mon 7th July

Woodside Film Festival

Wed 9th July

Balkan Day

Tue 8th - Wed 9th July

Year 9 Tender Workshop

Thurs 10th July

SEN Transition Day

Mon 14th - Fri 18th July

Year 10 Work Experience Week

Wed 16th July

Memorial celebration
for Ms Skepple

Thurs 17th July

Whole School Trip
Day

Mon 21st July

Culture Day

End of Term (1 pm finish)

NEXT WEEK WEEK 1



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Students Shine at National Sustainable Business Final at Westminster Palace



We are incredibly proud to celebrate the success of our three year 9 students who represented our school at the prestigious national final of a sustainable business competition, held at none other than Westminster Palace. Olivia Nugaras, Sanaila Tamba, Nafisah Chowdhury.

Competing against 11 other talented teams from across the country, our students captivated the judges and audience alike, earning a special award for "Presentation Prowess" - recognising their outstanding ability to deliver the most engaging and impactful presentation on the day.

Their innovative ideas and confident delivery stood out in a highly competitive field, and they were praised for their creativity, professionalism, and passion for sustainability.



The team was supported throughout their journey by dedicated mentors from Cadent Gas, and their efforts were further honoured by the presence of their local Member of Parliament, Bambos Charalambous, who attended the event in person to show support.

This achievement is a testament not only to the students' hard work and talent but also to the strength of partnerships between education, industry, and government. Congratulations to our amazing team - you've made the whole school proud!



Emily Takes the Spotlight at LIT's Got Talent

Emily, who wowed audiences at the MAW Talent Show, returned to the stage to win the LIT's Got Talent final. Her performance of I Have Nothing by Whitney Houston once again impressed the judges and audience. A well-deserved win for a student with a real presence and voice to match.

KS3 Awards Evening: Recognising Hard Work and Character

Our KS3 Awards Evening brought students, families and staff together to celebrate the achievements of pupils across all subjects. Students were nominated in advance by their teachers, and the winning entries were announced on the night. Each nominee had their work professionally framed and displayed at the Hub.



Winners received a certificate and a carefully selected book linked to their subject. The evening also included special awards for those who consistently showed pride, respect and kindness throughout the year. It was a calm and thoughtful event that captured the hard work and quiet dedication of our students in Years 7 to 9.



The Brain Project at LEAT

Over the past few weeks, 11 Year 10 pupils have been attending The Brain Project workshop organised by Chrysalis East at London Academy of Excellence Tottenham (LAET). Studying and understanding the structure and function of the mammalian brain at this stage aims to give students a flavour of what it is like to study A Level Biology and A Level Psychology and beyond at university.

This unique after school opportunity is an immersive learning experience exposing our students to new academic challenges in a fun learning environment. The workshop is organised in two parts, the first of which included theory and practical experiences such as brain dissection.

The second part of the workshop will be held in September when the pupils will be presenting their research projects in a poster session to peers as well as a range of guests working in and around the fields of neuroscience and neuropsychology. We hope our pupils enjoy and learn from the workshop and thank Ms. Crowdy at LAET for this exceptional opportunity to participate.



Water sports trip to Costa Brava!



From 23 to 29 June, 17 of our Year 9 students travelled to Platja D'Aro, Spain, for a week of sea, sport and sun as part of the Mulberry Academy Societies trip. Each day, students took on new challenges like sailing, windsurfing, kayaking and paddleboarding. The activities pushed them out of their comfort zones, and it was great to see their confidence grow throughout the week.

When not on the water, pupils spent time relaxing by the pool, exploring the local town and enjoying the beach. The trip ended with a day at the Aquadive water park, a well-earned treat after an active and rewarding week.

Benjamin A said, "It was an adrenaline rush. I overcame some fears, and it was a proper mental detox."

Hayat M added, "We made new friends, got closer as a group, and explored the town. It's a trip I'll never forget, and I'd do it again if I could."



More Than Words- Languages for the future



On Wednesday, 2 July, 8 of our Year 10 language students were lucky enough to take part in the More Than Words- Languages for the Future workshop at the Emirates Stadium.

The day was jam packed with a myriad of activities, including inspirational talks from professionals, describing how despite their aversion to languages at school, languages had got them ahead in their careers and opened new doors for them.



Students were invited to share their linguistic skills in Languages got Talent as well as learning to dance Bollywood - the language of music. During the break they visited a number of stands, collecting freebies and trying out their skills in various games and activities. Fun was had by all and Selena was one of the lucky winners, walking away with a £10 Amazon voucher!

Student performance pieces



Last week, Princess Amira, Ikraan Ahmed and Maysa Ahmed were invited to perform at the Chrysalis East Celebration Dinner, held at London Academy of Excellence Tottenham (LAET).

The students performed original pieces developed through the Professional Writers Project, a programme they took part in earlier this year. Designed to nurture voice and craft, the project gave students experience of writing to real commissions and working within professional genres.

Their moving and memorable performances were met with genuine admiration from the audience and their work will soon be published in The Tottenham Phoenix.

A girl around the age of 6 held her doll tightly by the hand and dragged it to her street that was once a place that she could call home. Debris, rubble and debris filled the atmosphere before her. This little girl had no recollection of her memories, but the first thing that popped into her mind was home. Home. A six year old doesn't know home but they do. The smell of her mum's famous mqluba, or the bitter taste of metallic filled her mouth as her father dragged her into his arms, only to be forced to let go permanently never to hold her again. As she continued to walk dragging her legs behind her. Every step a trail followed her like a shadow, bound. A feeling of unease filled the air as screams, perfect, this silence. Alone. Parents throw their children and quit them "basic necessities" but what happens if that was stripped from you? One random night the little girl continued to walk until she was met with a pile of rubble. Two legs were all the girl could see using all her might she picked up the piece of rubble to reveal a face. No tears filled her eyes her heart began to race faster and faster sweat filled her palms as she gripped onto the piece of rubble tighter and tighter beside the person on the ground there was the same doll covered in ashes. The little girl was filled with confusion and pain.

the trail behind her was blood and pain. A young girl of all ages due to tragedy. As tears bled down her face, smudging the soot on the little girl's face. The girl standing above her dead self looks up and a ray of sunlight shined on her face, bringing out the navel shimmer in her eyes. No matter how dark it could get, light always shined through. *Amira*

By Maysa Ahmed
8c

3rd April 2020 This

Black out poetry - still rise - reprise

You may write me down,
in your twisted, bitter lies...
In the very dirt,
I'll rise...

Maysa's message!!

Does my arrogance upset you?
Like I own everything,
including your natural hue?

Confidence may bring you down,
it may boost you up...
but can you stay thankful?
say all these things & brag...
just for your ego that seems to
SAG?

With the certainty of tides,
Just like ~~these~~ springing,
Still I'll rise...

do you always snow-out?
For every achievement & award

Did you want to see their lowered eyes?
Weakened by my sorrow cries?

If you want a medal
stay silent

Don't you take it out on hard like

You may shoot me down
or cut me with your eyes,
You may kill me...
But still...

Does it come as a surprise...
Out of the hut & of history's shame,
Up from a post that's rooted in pain,
Weaving & weaving.

Leaving behind nights of terror & fear,
Bringing the gifts that my ancestors gave...

I am the dream and the hope of the slave.

I'll rise.

Ikraan 8c

When I expect moon, ascend, the darkness stay,
A sacred month of mercy now begins.
With dusky lips and hair both pure and high,
We cleanse our souls and cast away all sins.

The dawn's embrace compels the night to fade,
Yet hunger cannot shake our dutiful will.
For death and love within our spirits stay,
And patience keeps our weary hearts as still.

Then comes the day when dusky days are through,
As aid bestows its joy on young and old.
With gifts and treaties, with those we hold so true,
We share our love more precious than gold.

O Ramadan, your blessings shine so bright,
And bid, your day fills all my heart with light.
The glowing moon now smiles, smiles down upon us,
A sign of peace, of mercy, and of love.



Year 8's represent Haringey at Middlesex Trials

On Monday, Hadi, Fadi and Tiago all were chosen to represent Haringey at the Middlesex Schools Athletics Competition.

The competition was held at StoneX stadium, home to Shaftesbury Barnet Harriers and the Saracens rugby team. It was an extremely hot day, some may say ideal conditions for sprinting. Hadi was first up, doing the 75m hurdles, followed by Tiago who ran the 200m. In the afternoon session, Fadi took to the field, doing javelin, whilst Hadi competed in the discus. It was a great day, and the boys did amazing.

English Reward Trip

Students in group 09k/En2 went on a reward trip for highest class completion for English homework on Bedrock across Key Stage 3 throughout the year.

Students took in sites including Green Park, Buckingham Palace, St James Park, Big Ben and The Houses of Parliament before boarding the Uber Boat along the River Thames from Westminster to North Greenwich.

A great and memorable day out!



A Warm Welcome for Year 6 Students on Transition Day

We were pleased to welcome our incoming Year 7 cohort for Transition Day. Pupils spent the day meeting their form tutors, exploring the building, and taking part in taster sessions in English, PE, Music and Science. It gave them a real flavour of what secondary school is like and helped ease any first-day nerves. We look forward to seeing them again in September.



Sports Day Brings Out the Best of MAW

Sports Day this year, held at New River Sports Centre, was one of our biggest yet. The day was split into two halves, with Years 8 and 9 competing in the morning and Years 9 and 10 in the afternoon. With both house and form competitions in play, there was plenty to aim for.

Students moved around in their form groups, taking on a wide range of field events including high jump, long jump, shot put, javelin, discus, tug of war, target games and shuttle runs. On the track, the programme included sprints, hurdles, the 1500m and some very competitive relays.

The new format saw more students than ever taking part, with only one competitor per form per race, raising the stakes across the board. The atmosphere throughout the day was upbeat and supportive, with students giving it their all and showing impressive teamwork and determination.

Medals and scores will be announced in assemblies next week.

For more photos, visit: <https://www.mulberrywoodside.org/news-events/gallery/>





English trip to Regent's Park Open Air Theatre

On Tuesday evening, a group of 12 year 9s were lucky enough to take part in a London Academy of Excellence trip to Regent's Park Open Air Theatre. Before attending the theatre, the year 9s engaged with some warm up activities at LAET including book cover designing, contextual research and big ideas discussion. They then made their way to the theatre and watched the stage adaptation of Malorie Blackman's novel series Noughts and Crosses. Despite it being a sweltering summer evening and having been out in the sun at sports day, the students were incredibly well behaved and had a fantastic time, appreciative of the cultural experience.

SUMMER FESTIVAL OF LEARNING



**SCAN
ME!**



**SCAN TO SEE OUR UPCOMING
SUMMER EVENTS!**



This week's

Values in Action

Pupil Pillar: Ready to Reflect

Next week is Praise week which focuses on our Pupil Pillar: Ready to Reflect. You can do this in the classroom by:

- **Quick Reflections:** At the end of lessons, students answer simple questions like “What did you learn?” Try asking this at home to keep the conversation going.
- **Weekly Check-Ins:** Each week, students reflect on what went well and what they can improve. You can encourage this at home by talking about their highs and lows of the week.



- **Lead by Example:** Teachers show students how to reflect by thinking out loud. You can model this too – talk about how you solve problems or learn from mistakes.
- **Using Feedback:** After marking, students note one strength and one goal. Ask your child what they're proud of and what they want to work on next
- **Kind Peer Feedback:** Students learn to give helpful, kind feedback to classmates. You can support this by encouraging thoughtful comments during group tasks at home



WOODSIDE FILM *Festival*



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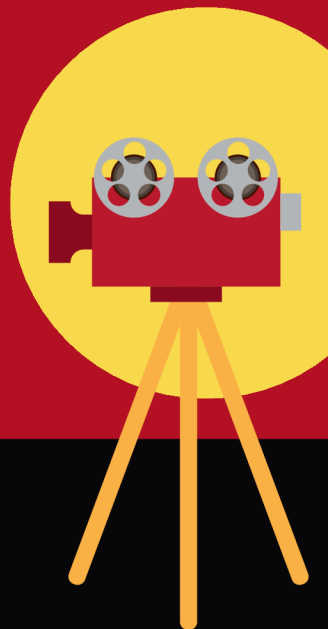
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WORKSHOP
YEAR 7, ROOM
B112



STORYBOARDING WITH
BRUCE GOODISON
YEAR 9, ROOM
B001

- 'TRANSFORMATION' FILM SCREENING IN ENGLISH LESSON
- COMPETITIONS: REVIEW WRITING, POSTER MAKING, FILM MAKING AND STORYBOARDING!



7TH - 9TH JULY, 2025

AFTERNOON TEA TO COMMEMORATE MRS SKEPPLE, OUR LIBRARIAN - 16/07/25

WE WOULD LIKE TO INVITE PARENTS/CARERS TO REMEMBER THE
LIFE OF OUR LATE COLLEAGUE CHERYL SKEPPLE WHO SADLY
PASSED AWAY EARLIER THIS YEAR.

MRS SKEPPLE WAS A VALUED MEMBER OF STAFF AT MULBERRY
WOODSIDE AND DEDICATED OVER 20 YEARS OF SERVICE. MANY
OF OUR STUDENTS WILL HAVE BEEN SUPPORTED DIRECTLY BY
MRS SKEPPLE OVER THE YEARS AND WE'D LIKE TO SHOW OUR
RESPECTS TOGETHER AS WE HOST AN AFTERNOON TEA IN HER
MEMORY.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND, PLEASE EMAIL
SENEN.FIKRI@WOODSIDEHIGHSCHOOL.CO.UK BY 10/07/25
SO THAT WE CAN ACCOUNT FOR NUMBERS.

MEMORIAL RIBBONS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE WITH PROCEEDS
BEING DONATED TO CHARITY.

WE KINDLY ASK THAT PARENTS/CARERS ATTEND WITH STUDENTS ON THE DAY.

WEDNESDAY 16TH JULY
3.30 - 4PM
THE HUB



CAREERS NEWSLETTER

This newsletter is a collation of all the opportunities we have heard about from employers and universities. Please use the links included to read more information and apply to anything you are interested in. Links are underlined.

OPPORTUNITIES

Disability Pride Month takes place every July in the UK since 2015 and celebrates people with disabilities, their identities, culture and their contributions to society.



Did you know that employers can sign up to the Government's Disability Confident Scheme to showcase that they are an inclusive employer? The Disability Confident scheme has 3 levels that have been designed to job seekers and employers on their Disability Confident journey. Employers must complete each level before moving on to the next.



Here are some other links that you may find interesting:

- The Top 7 Disability Inclusive Employers
- Grants and Schemes to help Disabled People into work
- Evenbreak - The only global disability job board run by and for people with lived experience of disability.



Thinking about your career as a series of static jobs is a thing of the past. By learning about your strengths, skills, and values, you can easily work out a pathway that's right for you. Take the CADI Career Cluster quiz here.



EDT running Virtual Insight into University course! It is a comprehensive Virtual experience for Students in Years 11-13 which allows you to explore STEM studies at TOP Universities including Degree Apprenticeships and the Career opportunities that these subjects can lead to. The course will run over 8 weeks, (30th June - 22nd August 2025) giving you the flexibility to complete it at your own pace and around other commitments. For full information and to apply click here.



EDT are running a parent and carer webinar on 17th July at 4pm for those interested in learning more about supporting their young person into STEM based careers. You can sign up here.

JOB OF THE WEEK



Midwife

A midwife is a healthcare professional specialising in pregnancy, childbirth, and postpartum care. They provide support, guidance, and care throughout the entire childbearing process, from antenatal care to postpartum care. Watch the video to learn more about how much you could earn, working hours and pathways into the industry.

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT


10% of respondents to the Early Careers Survey had already altered their career plans due to AI. Those who changed their plans because of AI were more likely to have felt uncertain about their careers (46%) compared with those who had not made changes (37%).

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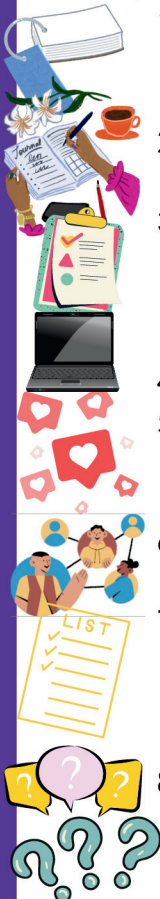
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CAREERS NEWSLETTER

OPPORTUNITIES

 Prospects Early Careers Survey 2025 reports the career aspirations and experiences of more than 4,000 students and graduates. The survey found that AI is quickly reshaping graduate career expectations, pushing many to rethink their paths. While 11% of graduates have already changed plans due to job displacement fears, AI is also creating new opportunities and empowering job seekers. This dynamic shift means graduates are not just reacting to change, but actively using AI tools to navigate and shape their future in an evolving landscape. Click [here](#) to read more.

We're sure your summer is filling up with exciting plans, but if you do find yourself with some free time, here are some things you can do to get ahead:

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1. If you are currently finishing on a 2 year GCSE or A Level Programme, you can revise what you have learnt this year and/or begin pre reading for next years content.
 2. Complete a reflection journal to consider your learnings from this academic year.
 3. Make a list of new things you'd like to try next year, consider what skills you would gain from taking part in these things. For example, if you joined a team sport it is likely you would gain teamwork, communication and leadership skills.
 4. Take part in a Springpod Virtual Work Experience session.
 5. Do a Social Media clean up... Did you know that nearly 70% of employers now routinely check candidates social media profiles?
 6. Create a LinkedIn account. [Here is a guide from UCAS](#) to help you with this task.
 7. Year 12s should consider doing a Personal Statement prep. You can draft bullet points of key experiences, achievements, and skills developed over the past year, ready for writing your personal statement.
 8. Year 10s should be preparing for college and sixth form open days. Review the courses you're interested in and create a list of questions you have. Year 12, you should be doing the same but for universities!

EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

"Network Rail's role is to run a safe, reliable and efficient railway, serving customers and communities. We're a company that is on the side of passengers and freight users; that is easy to engage with and is an efficient and dependable partner; a company people are proud to work for; instinctively recognised as an industry leader."

Read more about [National Rail Careers here](#).

UNI SPOTLIGHT

"Imperial offers a world-leading and inclusive evidence-based education, embedded in a vibrant research environment. The mixture of science and business is what makes an Imperial education unique. Everyone belongs here. We're a community where you can be yourself, find your people and pursue your passions."

Read more about [Imperial College 14 London's Courses here](#).

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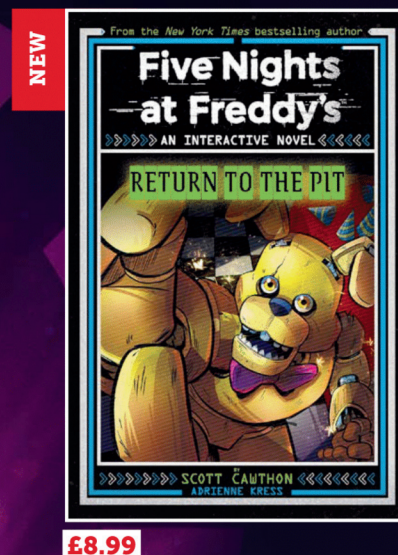
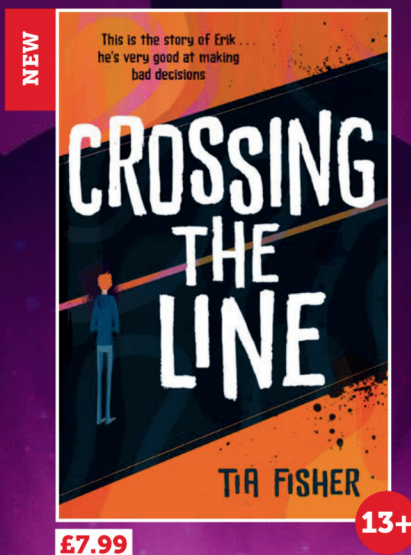
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JULY 10 - JULY 17