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DEAR PARENTS AND CARERS,

Wishing everyone a happy Friday. I am sure many of our Year 7 students feel tired after an excellent winter disco. Thank you to our Year 7 team and to Ms Dear for organising it. It was lovely to see students enjoy the evening.

Well done to our Year 10 students who show real maturity in their first set of formal assessments this year. It is great to see so many students use active revision strategies.

Students in the Year 9 societies group took part in a trip to City Hall and met Sadiq Khan. Year 9 electives students also visited the theatre and the cinema. All students will take part in careers activities and trips linked to their electives across the year.

I am very pleased to share that the school gained platinum status in our safeguarding review. A huge well done to Ms Sanford, Ms Oliver and Ms Peters, and to all staff and students who contribute to a strong safeguarding culture each day.

It is always a pleasure to see the next steps of our learners, so it was a real treat to welcome the class of 2025 back to collect their certificates.

Next week is busy both in lessons and after school. This includes our Trust lecture on Thursday, where two of our students will present at the Royal Academy of Arts, and a series of events in the final week to bring the school community together over the festive period. Please join us on 17 December for our winter fair and concert.

We are starting a collection for our local food bank. If you can donate, we would be grateful for your support.

Warm regards for the weekend.

Ms. Wallace

UPCOMING KEY DATES



Tuesday 9 December Year 7 to 11 Flu Vaccinations

Wednesday 10 December
Global Routes
Photography Exhibition

Thursday 11 December Year 9 Parents evening

Wednesday 17 December
WinterFestival:
Concert & Stalls

Thursday 18 DecemberChristmas Lunch & Jumper
Day

Friday 19 DecemberEnd of Term (1 pm finish)

Monday 22 December -Friday 2 January 2026 Winter Break

NEXT WEEK WEEK 1





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If you have any specific questions regarding the transfer of school to the Mulberry Schools Trust, please email

clerk@mulberryschoolstrust.org



MULBERRY ACADEMY WOODSIDE

FRI 5TH DEC

YEAR *7* WINTER BALL 16:30 - 18:00 TUE 16TH DEC

HOUSE COMPETITION FESTIVE ESCAPE ROOM

WED 17TH DEC

WINTER CELEBRATION (FESTIVAL AND PERFORMANCE) 13:30 - 18:00

THURS 18TH DEC

SCHOOL
CHRISTMAS
LUNCH & JUMPER
DAY

WINTER FUNDRAISERS

WINTER FOOD DRIVE BASKET BRIGADE UK







TAKE A BREAK AND READ WITH YOUR FRIENDS IN A QUIETER SPACE AND FILL UP SOME SNACKS

MONDAY 1ST DECEMBER LIBRARY



'WHAT WILL LONDON LOOK LIKE IN 2125?

MONDAY 1ST DECEMBER LIBRARY



'WHAT WILL LONDON LOOK LIKE IN 2125?

MONDAY 1ST DECEMBER LIBRARY



TRY YOUR HAND AT A DANCE TUTORIAL WITH YOUR FRIENDS USING THE ASSEMBLY PROJECTOR SCREEN

MONDAY 8TH DECEMBER ASSEMBLY HAL



WHAT WILL LONDON LOOK LIKE IN 2125?

WEDNESDAY 10TH DECEMBER COURTYARD



'WHAT WILL LONDON LOOK **LIKE IN 2125?**

FRIDAY 12TH DECEMBER A102



HELD IN THE HALL (WITH PRIZES!)

MONDAY 15TH DECEMBER ASSEMBLY HAL



CREATE YOUR **OWN PIECE OF** ART TO BRING HOME!

WEDNESDAY 18TH DECEMBER A102



Top prize- pizza party for you and 7 other friends

2nd and 3rd runner up will receive a chocolate prize and a £10 amazon voucher

4th and 5th will receive a chocolate prize





Year 9 and 10 Enjoy Immersive French Cinema Experience at Into Film Festival

Last week, mademoiselle Rutherford et monsieur Lambert took a small group of Year 9 and Year 10 French student to the cinema for the film "La plus précieuses des marchandises (The most precious of cargoes)" in the Into Film festival. It was quite an interesting experience for the students to get to hear French in a different context and develop their

Listening and Reading skills along side their Historical knowledge as the film is set during World War Two, telling the story of a lumberjack and his wife who find an abandoned baby in the woods. Its arrival transforms their lives and mindsets during a challenging time in History. There were many surprises in the film, but all students said they enjoyed the experience. Merci to all teachers who allowed their pupils to have this immersive French experience et à une prochaine fois pour un autre film!

Year 11 Rewarded with Festive Performance at Alexandra Palace

As a special reward for their outstanding mock exam results in English Literature, 24 of our Year 11 students enjoyed a fantastic trip to the iconic Alexandra Palace Theatre to see A Christmas Carol.

Accompanied by Ms Prasher and Mr Vigor, the group were treated to a magical performance filled with festive spirit, gripping storytelling, and brilliant staging. The students were fully captivated from start to finish and returned buzzing with enthusiasm. A huge well done to all our high achievers — a thoroughly deserved celebration of your hard work!







Students Enjoy Well-Earned Reward for Positive Progress

We launched a new reward initiative to celebrate positive steps in attendance and behaviour. Students who showed real improvement enjoyed a visit to Kaspa's Dessert. The treat was a fun moment, but the aim was to recognise effort, build confidence, and show pupils that turning up, trying their best, and showing kindness each day matters.

Thank you to parents for supporting strong habits at home and working with us. Small rewards can make a big difference, and the best part is seeing students grow and feel proud of what they achieve.



Year 9 Enjoy Memorable Theatre Experience at The Lion King

Last week Year 9 visited the Lyceum Theatre to watch The Lion King. The show offered excitement and useful learning. Students were inspired by the puppetry, costumes, music, and staging, which linked to their work in English, Drama, and Art. The performance also supported discussions about culture, identity, and resilience. For many, it was their first major theatre trip, and their enthusiasm made the day a success.



Year 9 Visit City Hall for a Glimpse Into Local Democracy

Our Year 9 students recently swapped the classroom for City Hall, enjoying an engaging and memorable look at how local government works. After exploring the historic building on a guided tour, they took their seats in the council chamber and discovered what happens where real decisions are made.

A hands-on workshop brought democracy to life, with students debating real issues and learning how young people can influence their communities. Staff at City Hall were impressed by their enthusiasm and thoughtful questions.

It was a valuable experience that helped students see themselves as active citizens. Thank you to City Hall's education team and to our families for supporting opportunities like this!



Year 7 Learn About Healthy Living in Nurse-Led Workshop

This week, our School Nurse visited to deliver an engaging workshop on Healthy Lifestyles and Personal Hygiene to some of our Year 7 students. The session helped pupils understand how everyday habits such as nutrition, hygiene, sleep, and exercise contribute to their overall wellbeing. This workshop supports our PSHE curriculum and reflects our core values of Pride, Kindness, and Respect, encouraging students to take ownership of their health and make positive choices both in and out of school.

We are grateful for the nurse's time and expertise in helping our young people build lifelong healthy habits. These workshops will continue over the next term so that all of our Year 7 cohort receive a session. We would encourage parents and carers to also have open dialogue regarding these topics at home.



Electives Cinema Trip

Our Year 9 Film Studies Elective students had a fantastic time at Cineworld this week watching Zootropolis 2 in 3D. The film's fast-paced action and brilliant humour had everyone fully absorbed from start to finish. The 3D effects were a highlight, making the city scenes and chase sequences feel extremely exciting on the big screen.

Students came away discussing the films narrative, themes and how the sequel builds on the original film. It was great to see such enthusiasm—not just as viewers, but as developing film critics.

Well done, Year 9, for representing the school so well. We can't wait for the next trip!



This winter we can make a difference and ensure no one goes hungry.



Make a difference in the local community!

Donate non-perishable food, fresh produce or toiletries to bring hope to families in need.

Drop-off Location:



8th Dec - 15th Dec

Items Needed:

- Canned Food
- Food & Vegetable
- Dry Cereals
- Instant Meals
- toiletries



Safeguarding

Use everyday family moments-such as dinner time, car rides, walking to school, or bedtime to gently check in about your child's feelings, worries, friendships, and online experiences. These small conversations help build trust and show them that you are genuinely interested in their world. Encourage them to share by calmly listening judgement, giving them space to talk at their own pace. Remind them that no problem is too small and that they can always come to you when they need support or guidance.

ATTENDANCE TOP TIP FOR PARENTS

Independent Prep

Encourage your child to take responsibility for packing their school bag each evening. With your support, they'll learn independence and organisation. This habit prevents forgotten homework, PE kits, or reading books, helping children feel confident and prepared each morning.

ARE YOU WORRIED ABOUT SOMETHING

A worry is a concern. People you can talk to:





























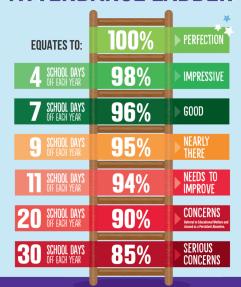






If you have any questions or concerns regarding SEN provision, please feel free to get in touch directly at **jrees@mulberryschoolstrust.org**

ATTENDANCE LADDER



ATTEND AND ACHIEVE

SCHOOL SUCCESS STARTS WITH SHOWING UP EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS



95% attendance 180 days of learning

endance attendance 30 days 171 days learning of learning

90%

10 days absent days absen

CONCERNING

Poor attendance makes it harder to progress and limits opportunities for success

85% attendance 161 days of learning

80% attendance 152 days

29 days absent Half a term missed! 38 days absent

SERIOUS CONCERN

Very poor attendance seriously impacts on education and reduces life chances!



The Attend and Achieve approach to education at Woodside is rooted in the fact that school attendance is a significant determining factor in attainment outcomes and GCSE grades. Students with no absence are 2.2 times more likely to achieve 5+ GCSEs A*- C or equivalent.

Excellent attendance means being in school at least 97% of the time or at least 184 days.

Reporting an Absense

When a child is absent from school without prior permission, parents/carers should inform the school by telephone on the first day of absence and every day thereafter to give the reason for absence.

Contact with the attendance team:

- 1. Calling 020 8889 6761 selecting option 1, and leaving a message
- 2. Using the IRIS app/ MyEd app
- 3. Email attendance.team@mulberrywoodside.org

Parents/ carers must clearly state:

- -The child's full name, year group and form
- The date of absence including when they are likely to return
- Details about child's symptoms and whether they have visited the GP*

It is the responsibility of the Headteacher to authorise any child's absence from school. Therefore, absences will be treated as unauthorised unless a satisfactory explanation is given to the school.

Parents/carers cannot authorise absences and should be aware that either calling the school or providing a note for an absence does not automatically mean it will be authorised.

Family holidays and term time leave

Parents and carers must ensure that family holidays and any other term-time leave are arranged outside of school term dates.

Parents and carers must not remove their child from school during term time without first obtaining a written leave of absence from the Headteacher. Permission will only be granted in exceptional circumstances, and supporting evidence may be required.

Please note that unauthorised term-time leave may result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued by the Local Authority.

Term time dates can be viewed here: https://www.mulberrywoodside.org/parent-information/diary-listing-term-dates/



NEXT WEEK'S VALUES IN ACTION

PRAISE WEEK: READY TO REFLECT

NEXT WEEK OUR VALUES WILL FOCUS ON READY TO REFLECT. YOU CAN SUPPORT YOUR CHILD AT HOME BY:

ASK OPEN-ENDED QUESTIONS

USE SIMPLE PROMPTS LIKE 'WHAT ARE YOU PROUD OF?' OR 'WHAT FELT CHALLENGING?' THESE QUESTIONS HELP YOUR CHILD THINK MORE DEEPLY ABOUT THEIR LEARNING AND OPEN UP MEANINGFUL CONVERSATIONS.

CELEBRATE PROGRESS

TRY TO HIGHLIGHT THE SKILLS YOUR CHILD HAS DEVELOPED, SUCH AS RESILIENCE, ORGANISATION, OR ANY OF THE BIG 6 HABITS, THIS HELPS SHIFT THE FOCUS FROM GRADES ALONE TO THE STEPS THEY TAKE EVERY DAY.

REVIEW WORK TOGETHER

SPEND A SHORT TIME LOOKING THROUGH BOOKS OR DIGITAL WORK, TALK ABOUT WHAT THEY FEEL CONFIDENT WITH AND WHAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO IMPROVE, THIS SUPPORTS HONEST REFLECTION AND HELPS THEM SEE THEIR GROWTH.

SET SMALL GOALS

HELP YOUR CHILD CHOOSE ONE OR TWO PRACTICAL GOALS FOR NEXT TERM. GOALS WORK BEST WHEN THEY COME FROM THE CHILD, FEEL MANAGEABLE, AND LINK TO SOMETHING THEY WANT TO GET BETTER AT.

ENCOURAGE A HEALTHY RESET

TALK TOGETHER ABOUT ROUTINES, SLEEP, SCREEN TIME, FRIENDSHIPS, AND ANYTHING ELSE THAT AFFECTS THEIR WELLBEING, SMALL CHANGES CAN HELP YOUR CHILD FEEL MORE BALANCED AND READY TO LEARN.

Mulberry Academy Woodside

TOP 10 STUDENTS IN Y7	TOP 10 STUDENTS IN Y8	TOP 10 STUDENTS IN Y9	TOP 10 STUDENTS IN Y10	TOP 10 STUDENTS IN Y11	TOP 3 FORMS
Lyra HEAPY (7A)	Abdullah KHALIL (8Y)	Leanne DA COSTA CANTE (9Q)	Brouj ALZAYAT (10T)	Jasmine FESHIAS (11Q)	7 Y
Ella Ellianna NZAKULINDA (7A)	Bahar KARABAG (8L)	Nadia KALABUN (9U)	Aimen ABDI (10Y)	Tasneem AL-HAKEEM (11Q)	/1
Emir KURU (7Y)	Naimalee UKEGBU (8T)	Ferzende MUTLU (9E)	Marwa ALIZADEH (10E)	Salih HALLA (11I)	7A
Aleksija POPOVIC (7Y)	Larisa DORCU (8T)	Vivien DANEKOV (9Y)	Hamza ARALE (10E)	Jayden BEGGS-MCBEAN (110)	
Renas CIFCIKAYA (7Y)	Naysa MOUKOUTA ELIMBI (8T)	Azka AATIF (9E)	Maksymilian HOLEWA (10L)	Tyrese SAMUDA (110)	7L
Nansi YORDANOVA (7Y)	Blago PAZAROV (8L)	Kenza HAKIMI (9U)	Halime BEKIRI REXHEPI (10Y)	Alketa KANXHA (11U)	
Enrique KABIA (7L)	Godwin RAPHAEL (8T)	Jonathan ISAYES (9A)	Esin NIHAT (10U)	Ruben WAPPLES (11Q)	
Isabella GONZALEZ ROMERO (7A)	Nathaniel ALLEYNE-YOUNG (8Q)	Mercan TEMIZ (9A)	Lobiko SIKA-MONDEKE (10T)	Jovarni WILLIAMS (11Q)	
Afra ADIBA (7L)	Arsen SANDETSKYI (8T)	Ada KABA (9U)	Elena TODOROVA (10L)	Laila KHAN (11Q)	3
Marcus NGELEKA (7Y)	Tasnim Malak HAMZA (8T)	Claudiu SPIRLEA (9Y)	Emi CERJEPI (10L)	Axam KAKANDE (111)	

WEEKLY HOUSE SCORE



2560







2340



House Competition:





2520

Anti Bullying





2200





Remember you get praise points for participation



House comp



captain event support

individual winner

House event participation

10 points

30 points

20 points

FOR MORE INFORMATION MS OLIVER OR YOUR HOUSE CAPTAINS





and Partners presents

FREE COUNTY LINES AWARENESS EVENT

Saturday 13th December 10am to 1:30pm

Refreshments will be provided

Haringey Sixth Form College White Hart Lane, London, N17 8HR







hosting Basket Brigade once more and we would love as many students to come and help out for





Delivering baskets of food, love and hope



Winter season is upon us, and with colder weather keeping us indoors and in close contact, it's easier than ever for the flu to spread.

Protect yourself, your loved ones, and your community by getting your flu jab today. The flu vaccine is your best defense against severe illness, hospitalisation, and missed work or school. Let's work together to keep everyone healthy this winter.

> Stay Well: Avoid the misery of flu this winter.

Protect Others:

Especially children, the elderly, and those more vulnerable.

Stop the Spread:

Help prevent flu outbreaks in your community.



For our clinic locations and contact details for the Vaccination UK teams please scan the QR code or follow the links below:

https://www.schoolvaccination.uk/contact https://www.schoolvaccination.uk/catch-up-clinics





M PUPILS IN YEARS 7-11



USE YOUR HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES CODE AND SIGN UP THROUGH COORDINATE





Listen to this newsletter

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 <u>underlined</u>.

OPPORTUNITIES

<u>Open Doors</u> takes you behind the scenes to showcase the fantastic range of careers available in construction. On Monday 23rd – Saturday 28th March 2026 across all types of construction sites, as well as training and manufacturing facilities, depots and offices – online sessions will also be available. Bookings will open on Monday 12th January 2026.

<u>Go Construct</u> provides resources for anyone looking for a career in the construction and built environment sector. With so many roles available in construction it can be hard to know where to start, why not learn more about these career options... <u>Find a role for you</u>.

This <u>virtual work experience</u> gives you a behind-the-scenes look at how Arcadis engineers, designers, and project managers solve some of the world's biggest challenges. You'll explore the history and future of architecture and infrastructure, meet professionals shaping our built environment, and reflect on how your skills could make an impact.

Bowmer + Kirkland is one of the UK's most successful construction and development companies. Discover life in pre-construction, construction management and commercial, and hear from the experts at the forefront of it all. Find out more here.

Join AtkinsRéalis and you'll work on global projects across diverse sectors, tackling today's most pressing challenges. From growing populations and transportation needs to climate change – you'll help merge ingenuity, knowledge and technology to uplift communities and engineer a safer, better tomorrow. Explore roles here.

Discover how adventure can build the skills needed to lead, inspire, and make a difference. <u>This session</u> on Wednesday 14th January - 10:00 - 11:00, explores real stories from expedition leaders who've faced challenges in the world's most extreme environments. Learn how teamwork, resilience, and problem-solving in the wild translate into powerful lessons for leadership in any career path.

If you have any questions or need support, please email serdane.ozcan@woodsidehighschool.co.uk

JOB OF THE WEEK



Building Surveyor

As a building surveyor, you'll complete detailed reports, known as building surveys. Within these, you'll identify defects and advise on repair, maintenance and restoration options. You may implement preventative measures to keep buildings in good condition and look for ways to make buildings sustainable. A large proportion of the working day spent on site.

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT

For Young People aged 16-24, employment levels are up by 17,000. The employment rate has increased by 0.2%, now at 52.2%. This means there were 3.89 million young people in employment in July to September 2025.

<u>Source</u>



CAREERS NEWSLETTER

OPPORTUNITIES

Brighton University are hosting an Interview preparation talk and Q+A on Thursday 11th December 17:00 -18:00. Get advice from staff and current students about what to expect and how to get ready for your interview. Book your place here.

Exeter University's 'Discover University' platform provides information, advice and guidance aimed at prospective students. They are hosting a Free Webinar focused on the UCAS Process on Monday 5th January 18:00 - 19:00. Browse more events and book

Join the Tesco Early Careers team on Monday 8th December at 16:00 to learn about the apprenticeships available, what is involved, the benefits available, and more. Don't worry if you can't make it on the day, sign up anyway and they'll send you the recording so you don't miss out.

On Tuesday 20th January from 13:00 - 14:00, you can discover everything you need to know about the BA(Hons) Illustration course at Falmouth University. In the session, they will explore what you will learn on the course, and how online study works. Book your place here.

Are you ready to gain new skills and future proof yourself for any career? Whether you're planning to enter the workforce after secondary school, sixth form, college or as a university graduate, the Digdata programme invites you to gain virtual work experience with their partners

BTEC Higher Nationals, like the Higher National Certificate (HNC) and Higher National Diploma (HND), are career-focused qualifications equal to the first two years of an undergraduate degree or foundation degree. Read this guide to learn more.

Do you dream of shaping the skylines of tomorrow? Is your passion the history and future of our evolving landscapes? Join 3DReid for two action packed days, 2nd - 3rd March 2026 to dive into the dynamic world of architecture. <u>Apply</u> by the 13th February.

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EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

"The built environment is always evolving, and McLaren are at the forefront of that change. As we expand into new sectors, we are looking for the next generations of True Builders, to contribute to our continued success and take on a rewarding career in construction. If you're looking to be part of a dynamic, forwardthinking company, there are a variety of early talent opportunities waiting for you." Find out more here.

UNI SPOTLIGHT

"Join an inspiring and collaborative community that champions individuality and student support. At the University of Roehampton, you'll enjoy future-proof courses designed with leading employers, industry experts teaching you from day one and professional-standard facilities to prepare you for the world of work." Read more here.







