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Dear Parent/Carer,

We hope that you and your family are well.

Thank you for your support of the school this term, both remotely and in the return to face-to-face education. We have felt extremely proud of our students and are very much looking forward to the summer term.

### School news

We are delighted to share some exciting news with you. On Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March, Michelle Obama joined current and former students from Mulberry School for Girls and Elizabeth Garrett Anderson School for a 60 minute conversation on Zoom, to celebrate the publication of the paperback and younger reader editions of her bestselling memoir BECOMING.

BBC One's *The One Show* will be airing a package about the event this evening, Thursday 1st April, which features our students at 7.00pm, ahead of it being released in full by Penguin on their YouTube channel. We will share the link via our Twitter account once released by Penguin at 7.30pm today.

We will further commemorate this significant occasion after the Easter holidays. A special celebration event is planned that will involve all of our students, parents/carers and our local community.

### Free school meals over the Easter break

Students eligible for free school meals will receive a voucher from the borough to cover the two-week break. We have not yet received these vouchers but will post them to parents/carers as soon as they arrive, this is likely to be towards the end of next week.

### Home testing for Covid 19

Thank you for supporting with home testing. Students should continue to take tests twice per week during the break.

If your child has a positive Covid test during the Easter break, please let us know straight away by emailing or calling main school reception: [info@mulberryschoolforgirls.org](mailto:info@mulberryschoolforgirls.org) or 020 7790 6327.

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School reception is closed over the Bank holiday weekend: if your child has a positive Covid test result between Friday 2nd April and Monday 5th April please email [award@mulberryschoolstrust.org](mailto:award@mulberryschoolstrust.org) or call 0207 791 7256 between 11am and 2pm. Please notify reception at all other times.

### Year 11 and 13

There are onsite sessions for Year 11 and 13 running during the first week of the break. Please find the latest letter for Year 11 and 13 parents with further details [here](#).

### Start of term

The summer term starts for all students on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April at 8.40am, and we are looking forward to welcoming students back. We are excited to be able to relaunch our full enrichment programme to students and know there is much to look forward to.

With enrichment and intervention sessions running again it is possible that there will be days when your child might still be at school after the end of the school day. As a reminder we will always let you know if your child has been asked to stay or has signed up to an event that means staying in school for longer than 20 minutes after the end of the normal school day.

As the building will be warmer in the summer term, students will no longer be able to wear coats inside the building and must instead wear their school blazer. Thank you for your support with this.

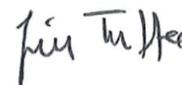
Finally, our school reception will remain open Monday to Friday during the Easter break except for Friday 2nd and Monday 5th April.

We would like to wish all our students and families a safe and restful break.

Yours sincerely,



Ms Alice Ward  
Associate Headteacher



Ms Jill Tuffee  
Associate Headteacher