



Prestigious Voluntary Service Award for Nottingham Girls' High School

As part of the 90th birthday celebrations of Her Majesty the Queen, the Lord-Lieutenant of Nottinghamshire has introduced a new award for schools and colleges who actively promote volunteering and charitable work. The award recognises that volunteers play a vital role in society whilst also gaining a tremendous sense of personal achievement.

At its annual Celebration and Awards Evening held on 15 September, Nottingham's Girls' High School was proud and delighted to be one of the first ever recipients of this prestigious award.

The school holds a sterling record with regard to its contributions to charity and volunteering, nationally and internationally, with girls AND staff getting involved in many and varied projects and challenges to raise money and awareness for charities and organisations, local and global. During the last academic year, they raised over £17,000 for numerous charities and amassed over 9,000 volunteering hours.



Assistant Head (Co-Curricular), Lindsay Wharton-Howett, said: "I'm really thrilled that we have won this award. Our school is regarded as a beacon school and a centre of excellence due to our continued involvement with charitable and voluntary sectors. The girls work incredibly hard, sacrificing a lot of their own time and always coming up with more and more creative ideas of how to help and fundraise. It's so nice to see their efforts recognised and acknowledged in such a special way."

The award is sponsored by Veolia Nottinghamshire, the UK's leader in environmental solutions committed to

making Nottinghamshire a greener county. General Manager Lea Hawkes, echoed the school's sentiments, saying: "This award is a great opportunity to recognise and reward some of the fantastic projects that are



being led by students who have dedicated their time and energy to deliver these great initiatives across the county. Congratulations to all of you.”

The prestigious award was presented to the school's Sixth Form Charity Ambassadors Hannah Fielding, Isobel Shipley and Bhuvana Sudarshan by the Vice Lord-Lieutenant, Colonel Tim Richmond, OBE TD DL.

Nottingham Girls' High School aims to continue its involvement if not increase its efforts to help and support a variety of worthy causes in as many ways as possible. The girls are passionate about this, showing the care and compassion that the school is proud to nurture.



Notes to Editors

About Nottingham Girls' High School

Nottingham Girls' High School is an independent day school for girls between the ages of 4 – 18. Part of the GDST (Girls' Day School Trust) Nottingham Girls' High School is the largest school within the group with more than 1,000 pupils.

About the GDST

The GDST (Girls' Day School Trust) is the leading group of independent girls' schools in the UK, with nearly 4,000 staff, and 20,000 students between the ages of three and 18. As a charity that owns and runs a family of 24 schools and two Academies in England and Wales, it reinvests all its income in its schools. Founded in 1872, the GDST has a long history of pioneering innovation in the education of girls. For a list of GDST schools go to www.gdst.net



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