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As we draw nearer to Christmas Day, I would like to express how proud I am of our students who have embodied NLA's values of Aspire, Experience and Community. Sadly, we had to cancel our annual Christmas dinner for local care home residents, but our aspirational business students took it upon themselves to create and deliver hampers to local residents. Our community events in NLA, such as Elf Yourself and Christmas Jumper Day have raised £230 for the L6 Community Association.

Mrs Vernon



Highlights for this week:

Care Home Resident's Hampers

Sixth Form Business Studies students were saddened that due to the ever evolving Covid-19 situation we had to cancel our Christmas dinner, however, they quickly adapted their plans and created and delivered hampers for over sixty local residents.

Year 7 Sublimation in Science!

Year 7 students have been given a rare opportunity to carry out practical experiments using dry ice and learning about changing states of matter. They have been studying the process of sublimation in their project of Understanding Snow.

Design an App competition

Well done to Ekemini in Year 8 who won Computing's Inter-House competition to develop an app that could be used to help future Year 7 students navigate their way around NLA.

Action for Conservation

Year 7 Scholars have been working with Action for Conservation for the past few weeks. They have learnt about actions to help save the planet and then worked in teams on their own conservation projects. Last week, the teams presented their projects in a Dragon's Den style competition. As part of the project, every student had the opportunity to plant a tree off Wembley Way. We now have a variety of young trees, native to the UK and excellent for biodiversity.

January Reminder

In January, we will be welcoming students back in a staggered manner to ensure that students are tested on their return to school. This is inline with DfE guidelines.

- **Wednesday 5th January:** Year 10, 11, 12, 13 return to school.
- **Thursday 6th January:** Year 7, 8, 9 return to school. All students will be in school from this day.

Message from Vice-Principal, Iain Robinson

At NLA we aim to be a conscious and eco-friendly environment. We do not allow our students to have single use plastic bottles in school. Please take the time over Christmas to purchase your child a reusable bottle. Branded NLA bottles are available from Student Services for £1.

Dates for Next Week:

Tuesday 21st December: Enrichment Day

Students will take part in a number of activities including inflatables, decorating their form room doors, karaoke, a carol concert and a form quiz.

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