



# Year 11 Newsletter - 27 November

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## Back with a bang from Project Week!

After our amazing achievements on Project Week in Zhangjiajie, it was back to work with a vengeance for Year 11 as they have been busy preparing for their forthcoming mock examinations. The format of these is as close as possible to the real thing in May; students have been given personalised exam timetables and are given 'study leave' during the exam period, with the proviso that they remain in school in between exam sessions and sign out at Reception if they do not have an exam in the last session of the day. It is essential that the students take these seriously, as they are crucial preparation for their IGCSE exams. I wish them all the best!

Be  
Ambitious

Miss Anna Jeffery, Year 11 Leader

## New House and Sports Leaders in Year 11

Congratulations to **Jule Scholten** and **Gauthier Jacqmin**, who have been selected as the new House and Sport Leaders for Year 11 after an application process which was overseen by the Year 13 Leaders, Hilary and Nils. Jule and Gauthier are active and committed members of the Year 11 community, and I know they will give their best in their new roles.

Thank you also to Jule and Gauthier for getting involved in the Project Week Assembly, along with **Olivia Gill**, **Shreya Khot**, **Rachit Jain**, **Charlie MacDonald-Butler** and **Valerie Sautter**. These students created and presented an entertaining overview of our time on Project Week to the whole of the secondary school in assembly on Tuesday 24th November.





## Upcoming Events & Dates

**Sunday 29 November** – Christmas Bazaar

**Monday 30th November– Thursday 10th December**– IGCSE Mock Examinations for Year 11

**Friday 4 December** – CCAs finish for Term 1

**Friday 11 December** – Term 1 ends

**Wednesday 6th January** – Term 2 starts

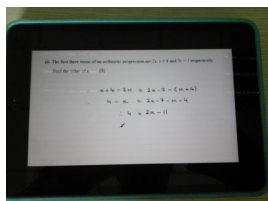
## What have we been learning this week?

### English:

Miss Jeffery's class have been working hard on practice exam papers, strengthening their Language skills and revising their Literature skills in preparation for the exams in the next two weeks. Miss Jeffery would like to congratulate **Carlotta Carpifave**, who attained a fantastic A\* grade on a practice IGCSE English Language paper this week despite being unwell. Well done, Carlotta!

### Maths:

Some of Year 11 have started to use their new iPads in lessons whilst studying the topic of sequences and series (see below). Pupils have access to a series of videos online so that everyone can work at their own pace through the topic, rewinding and replaying the videos as they need to. The previous topic of vectors was a very visual learning experience and the students are now enjoying the challenge of a more algebraic topic. Both these topics display what mathematics is all about – patterns! If we can spot them then we have discovered something!



### Mandarin:

The Year 11 students who have already got their IGCSE certificate have started a new topic about sharing bills when dining out in restaurants. They had a great discussion about the advantages and disadvantages of sharing bills. The students learnt the cultural reasons behind why Chinese people prefer to pay the bill.



### A Focus on Global Campus: Be Ambitious!

Students have been working on the Global Campus 'Be Ambitious Challenge' during Guidance. 'Be Ambitious' is an ethos here at NAIS Pudong which highlights the belief that there is no limit to what students can achieve and that they should all try to reach for their dreams and try something new. Being ambitious is inspirational and motivational and we want students to stretch themselves that little bit further to be the best that they can be. Ambition can take you anywhere. But it's only the spark. It takes passion, determination and commitment to make it a reality. Teachers here at school aim to personalise learning in order to harness and build upon on students individual strengths and passions; empowering them to achieve beyond what they imagine, academically, socially and personally.

**Don't forget to *Be Ambitious* about your mock exams, Year 11! Now is the time to prove what you can do and to really push yourself to be the best you can be. The sky's the limit!**