

Inspiring Girls - Year 9 Trip



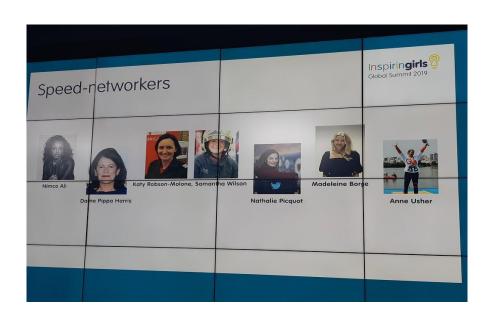




Inspiringirls is an online charity and was set up by Mishal Husain, a business woman who wanted to raise awareness of inequalities for women in the workplace and reach out to inspire girls and young women all over the world.

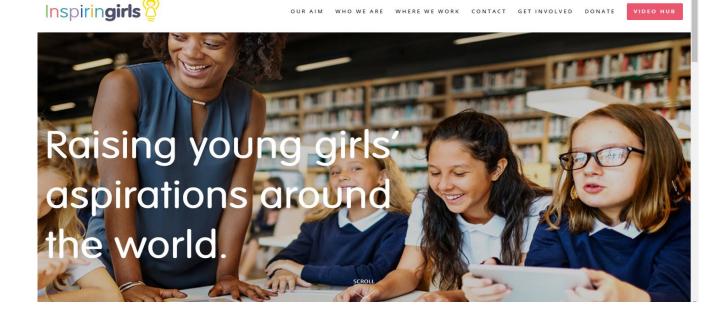
We know that by age 6, children are beginning to classify jobs along gender lines, and by the age of 12, 50% of girls aspire to gender stereotyped roles. This can have a huge impact on decisions which they make about their future education and career direction.

A group of Year 9 pupils were invited to the launch of a new app for the charity at Google head office at Kings Cross and meet and interview some inspiring women!



The lack of self-confidence, pressure of gender stereotypes and limited access to female role models affects girls all around the world.

Inspiring Girls
International is an
organisation dedicated to
raising the aspirations of
young girls by connecting
them with female role
models.



The campaign goals are: Exposing young girls (10-15 years old) to the full variety of careers and options in life and inspiring them to aim high.



How We Work



Face-to-face sessions

networking' events to talk to a group of girls about their life, career, choices and experiences.



Online sessions

New online video library where the girls can find recorded interviews of volunteers talking about their careers. This enables girls in regions or countries without access to women in a particular field of work to access the same information wherever they are.

We hope to develop this into live online sessions, accessed by schools for their classes.





Local Change on a Global Scale



National organisations in each country register the

The organisation has collected a series of inspirational talks from successful women all over the world. They give short speeches about their journey and advice on how to make a difference to the world.

Morning session - the first session was to introduce and interview two inspirational women with very different stories.

Guest interviewee 1 - Mary Beard

Mary Beard is one of the most well-known British Classicists. She's a professor at the university of Cambridge and the author of many best-selling books based on the ancient world such as Pompeii:Mary is one of the presenters for BBC's latest landmark Civilizations series for which she wrote an accompanying book. She also hosts the BBC television arts show called Front Row Late which is a show all about politics and the arts.

She was made an OBE in 2013 for her contribution to the World of Classics, and was then made a Dame in 2018 after being placed on the Queen's Birthday Honours list.





Guest interviewee 2

Muzoon Almellehan, age 21, is a Syrian refugee and education activist, and the first refugee to be named a UNICEF Goodwill Ambassador. Muzoon has been campaigning for children's education in emergencies since she was forced to flee Syria in 2013 with her family. Muzoon offers a powerful authentic voice on education in emergencies.

Muzoon is the recipient of many awards including BBC's list of 100 influential and inspirational women, TIME's 30 Most Influential Teens, Teen Vogue's Under 21 champion, and Glamour Woman of the Year Award.

She is currently studying at university in the UK.





Preparing for the interview - we were asked to prepare a series of questions for the guests and interview them for 15 minutes in front of an audience of about 100 people.

Questions for Mary

- What inspired you to become a Classicist?
- How would you describe your journey to becoming a professor?
- What's the hardest thing about being a woman in the public eye?
- What are your views on the empowerment of women throughout history?
- How would you compare today's women's' issues to those in ancient Rome?

Questions for Muzoon

- Why do you think it's so important for girls to be educated?
- What motivated you to keep going when you were in refugee camps?
- What was the hardest aspect of adjusting to living in the UK?
- How do you go about changing people's mindsets?
- How does it feel to be known as the Malala of Syria?

CSG interview team! Marwa, Sumayia, Maya and Rakeb





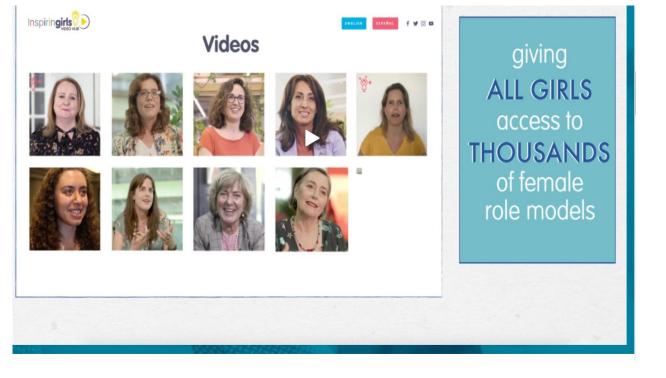
Speed networking

We then spent time talking to a range of women from various backgrounds and career paths including an olympic gold medal winner, a Youtuber and a chief firefighter!

Afternoon session - in the afternoon we took part in a discussion with 2 women who work for Google and talked about the issues we face sometimes as young women starting out in life.









Look out for opportunities in in and out of school. Get inspired today!

Google cupcakes!!