



## St. Ninian's HIGH SCHOOL

Scoil Ard Noo Ninian

Our ref: ZLM/LK/

19<sup>th</sup> May 2026

Dear Parent/Guardian

### Re: Year 9 Drop Down Day – Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Junior Achievement (JA) will shortly be visiting the school to deliver a programme to your child. As an organisation, they help young people to develop the skills and knowledge they will need to gain employment or start their own business. Each year the charity raises the funds to work with more than 5,000 young people across the Isle of Man and runs a range of workshops focusing on financial literacy, skills for employability and entrepreneurship.

On Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2026, our Year 9 students will be taking part in 'Challenge for Change', focusing on skills development, incorporating an environmental challenge.

Pupils will work in teams throughout the day to come up with a solution to an environmental issue after researching the four areas of littering, fast fashion, energy waste and food waste. They will then present their idea to their class, with each winning team presenting to the whole year group. The winners from each school will compete in the Interschools Final at the offices of our sponsor, Challenge for Change at Games Global, at the beginning of July. Here they will present to business leaders and the other winning schools where Minister Barber from Department of Environment, Food and Agriculture and Lady Lorimer will be part of the judging panel.

The programme will be delivered by JA staff along with volunteers from a wide range of backgrounds who donate their time to work alongside the teachers and students in the classroom, passing on their expertise and knowledge. Details on the work of the charity and the Challenge for Change programme can be found at [www.jaiom.im/our-programmes](http://www.jaiom.im/our-programmes)

Students should check their year group Teams channel closer to the time for information regarding room allocations for the day.

Yours faithfully

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