

# Maria For VP/ Treasurer

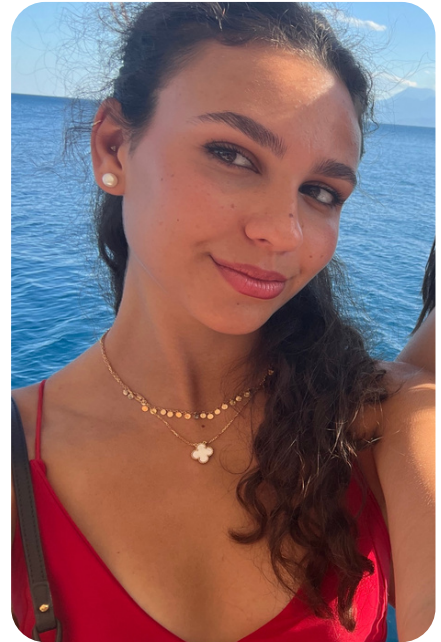
#Maria4Vice

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## WHO AM I?

Hi! My name is Maria Kopyeva, and I would love to be your next vice president and treasurer. I'm from Russia but I was raised in Dubai (#takemeback) and I am unfortunately a B.E.S.S. student. I'm running for vice because ~~I want to live in halls again~~ I have always enjoyed helping others.

Coming to Dublin from the other side of the world has been a challenge, but having the wonderful JCR there to support us definitely made it a much smoother transition. Due to this I have decided to run for this role, as I want to continue growing the halls community, continue to make changes that benefit the students and be a friendly face people can turn to.



## WHY ME?

- Why not?
- I am not intimidated by leadership roles - this is seen through my relevant experiences, and I work well under pressure.
- I am committed to ensuring that all students feel supported and welcomed in Halls, and I am confident in my ability to effectively manage the JCR budget in a way that puts students first.
- I am a team player who values open-mindedness and is driven to make a positive impact on the student community.
- My outgoing personality and confidence allow me to connect with others and create a supportive and inclusive environment for all.
- As part of the **Anti-bullying committee**, I lead an initiative called '#BuildUsUp' that was used to cultivate a friendlier school environment through initiatives like 'random acts of kindness' and encouraging peer support.
- I was also a **prefect** in school. Some of my main responsibilities were to ensure high academic standards, mentor those that fall behind, resolve issues between students, and promote inclusivity and morale among the student body.
- I'm a chronic shopper, so I'm qualified for the role of treasurer because clearly I can spend money.
- But wait, if you think that I'm bad at budgeting, don't worry guys, I got an **A\*** in my further maths and business GCSEs

## RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

- In sixth form I was on the **UNICEF leadership committee** where I served as an advocate for change and initiated projects that benefited our society and local community. As part of the committee, I supported and encouraged younger students to advocate for their beliefs as the youth has the power to effect change.
- During a summer **internship** at an events space, I gained hands-on experience in finance, networking, and business operations. Acting as the Event Manager, I organized a successful private art exhibition, managing everything from guest lists to digital marketing and entertainment, showcasing my ability to multitask and execute projects independently.

# Goals as VP/ Treasurer

## Community improvements

- **Office hours:** hold office hours for people to ask finance/ all qs
- **Anonymous link:** weekly posts replying to questions
- **JCR app/** put everything into one place (highlights for different departments)
- **Library:** a 'take a book leave a book' library
- **Pantry:** a pantry in each house with left-over food (when students leave for home for weekend)
- Do something with the **canteen:** turn it into a café/ common space
- **JCR guide to Rathmines**

## Financial improvements

- Find better **sponsorships** that align with trinity's values
- **JCR Finance Highlight** on instagram: including student deals, financial advice
- **Budgeting workshops** at the start of the year

## Collabs

- Collab with **international officer:** to make local day trips
- Collab with **ents officer:** to hold halls-wide events more frequently
- Collab with **sports officer:** to improve the gym equipment

## Social improvements

- **Promote flat events:** flat challenges (dodgeball tournaments, football tournaments, treasure hunts where the best flat wins a prize)
- **Introduce Societies within Halls:** to create closer communities within halls
- **Halls Finsta:** showcase the real halls experience: send in photos, vids, BeReals, TikTok's

## Day-to-day improvements

- Strive for **quicker maintenance response time**
- Improve **postal collection times** to better suit students
- Improve **gym timings**
- Organize **buses to the RDS** during exam season

## Environmental improvements

- Introduce **deposit return scheme machines:** Re-turn
- **Stamps for Halls events:** a more sustainable option to wristbands

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Guys please please please just vote for me x