I volunteered weekly with underprivileged girls to support their studies and welfare. I also founded and ran the welfare-oriented art club at my school.

**Our ideas**

**Welfare support over the Vac!**
- We all know how difficult last vac was regarding covid and not knowing when - or if - we would be returning to college.
- Many of us felt lonely at home, lacking motivation, or needing help.
- Which is why we want to offer Welfare support over the Vac!
- We want to keep running welfare teas online and student drop ins - we want to make sure you're ok at home!
- We hope to get some peer supporters to volunteer to be available over the vac too!

**Welfare study Seshes!**
Motivation is running low, and next year we'll either be towards the end of or in the aftermath of the pandemic.
- We would like to make weekly study sessions (more if they're popular!) to help you keep on track and bring some of that uni community feeling back - you're not alone!
- We'll start each sesh offering up what study techniques helped us/what our successes were last week!

**Buddy system!**
Freshers will be able to fill a form to get paired up with a random fresher on fresher's week! (so refreshing)
- It will help newcomers meet people from outside their course and household and create broader friendship groups from the start.
- If successful, we'd like to look to open up the scheme for other years.

**We will continue...**
The sexual health scheme
Text a chocolate
Welfare picnics
Welfare teas/brew mondays
Welfare drop-ins
Text a chocolate again! (we love it!)

**Why us???**
We've both been to counselling, so we know what it's like to be at that side of the table. We have a grasp of what helps it be effective, and nothing would make us happier to help you how we were helped.

Vicky: As an international student (Spain!!) I know what it's like to be far from home, and hope to help you make St. Anne’s home!!