RHIANNON SWEENEY

Name: Rhiannon Sweeney

Age: **17**

Where I Live: North Lincolnshire

Fundraising and volunteering have opened up a whole new world for me where I see things from a different perspective and can help make a difference.



MY SOCIAL ACTION JOURNEY

When I was 14, I became a peer mentor and cyber mentor with Autism Training, where I volunteered to support younger students who had or were being bullied. It was a hugely worthwhile experience, and I've since gone on to do lots of social action in my local community. I recently did a bungee jump and a 10-mile sponsored walk to raise money for Leukaemia and Lymphoma Research – I've been a member of the Winterton and District branch of the charity for two years now – and I'm currently organising my own project where I'll be running a stall during National Small Change Big Impact Week.

I'm the proud holder of two Diana Awards, for being a Champion Volunteer and a Champion Fundraiser. I've also just been nominated as an Anti-Bullying Champion in the North Lincolnshire Community Champion Awards 2014.

I'm passionate about helping others, and I'm glad I'm able to make a difference in my community – it's made me the person I am today.

KEY CHARACTER QUALITIES AND VIRTUES

Citizenship | Determination

The adults who have most inspired me to get involved in social action are ... My parents.

MY SOCIAL ACTION PLEDGE

#iwill continue to raise money for Leukaemia and Lymphoma Research, and help support anti-bullying charities.