

Autumn Term Events

This half term, we welcomed a number of special guests with Bounce Forward Chief Executive and Founder, Lucy Bailey, to see NIA in action. This included a tour of the school and a Q&A with the Secondary Student Leadership Team, a chance to observe a very enthusiastic Year 7 Healthy Minds PSHE lesson and a meeting with Mr Serrao to discuss future opportunities and events that can benefit our students. This was a fantastic opportunity for our Student Leadership Team, they should be very proud of their excellent work!



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This half term has been an incredibly busy and productive one! Every committee has held meetings to plan exciting future events and assemblies, ensuring that our school community continues to thrive. Our Student Leadership Team had the privilege of welcoming some very special guests, creating opportunities for inspiring conversations and collaboration. In addition, members of the Religious Inclusion Committee and Cultural Inclusion Committee were invited to attend a Diversity, Equality, and Inclusion Conference at Prince William School. This was a fantastic chance to share ideas and learn from others about fostering an inclusive environment for all.

As we look ahead, we anticipate another busy and rewarding term in the new year. Until then, we wish all parents, carers, staff, and students a restful break and a Happy New Year!

Assemblies this term



This term our assemblies in Secondary have given students the opportunity to reflect on lots of important topics. We have had a guest speaker explaining the dangers and risks around vaping and assemblies led by our staff focused on the Fundamental British Values, Post 16 options and the importance of good attendance and punctuality.





SPOTLIGHT ON... NIA's Student Leadership Team



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Olivia Head of School

Hello, my name is Olivia and I am the Student Head of School. I am really excited to be a part of the Student Leadership Team again because I know the school is on a really positive journey and I would like to help it progress even further before I leave. One of the main things I aim to achieve this year is showcasing every aspect of the school to parents and also future students. NIA has so many wonderful opportunities that parents may not always get to see, so I would like to host events that will allow these to be presented. I would also like to make sure that student voice is promoted even more throughout NIA, in order to allow students to collaborate with teachers. I hope I can make a big impact before I leave Year 11 so the younger and future students will be at the best school which can provide amazing experiences.

Assad Deputy Head of School

Hi, my name is Assad. I'm in Year 11 and currently serve as the Student Deputy Head. Last year, I contributed to our student leadership team by representing the school in events, raising the concerns of students, and working with staff to improve communication across the school. This year, I'm looking forward to taking on more responsibility, building on what we achieved, and helping make our school an even better place for everyone.

Pola Assistant Head of School

Hello, my name is Pola Perczak and my role that I have been given is the Assistant Head of school. I am truly honoured and thankful for the chance to help out within the school community once again! I cannot wait to work alongside all the staff and pupils that have also been selected for the student leadership. This is such a privilege for not only me but others who are in the SL team to work together as a team and make the school an even better place than it was before. Such opportunities should not be taken for granted and I will continue to support the school and pupils in our community.





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Charlie

Assistant Head of School

My name is Charlie, and I am the Assistant Head of School. I am immensely grateful for the opportunity I have received, and promise to use my responsibility in the most effective way I can. I cannot convey my excitement to be able to work as part of the Student Leadership Team, as I believe that, alongside my peers and the rest of the team, we can make a difference. I am already so impressed by how much the school has improved over the last 3 years and I can't wait to make it even better for next year.

Izzy

Assistant Head of School

Hi, my name is Izzy. I am Assistant Head of School and I hope to achieve a more inclusive environment and a place where students want to come to school willingly.

Artur

Head of Year 7

My name is Artur and I am the Student Head of Year 7 and this year I hope to achieve a reduced number of lates and behaviour points but also for everyone attempting to do their homework. I hope that students will have a lot of different opportunities for trips and competitions.

Nadya

Assistant Head of Year 7

Hello, my name is Nadya and I'm Assistant Head of Year 7. This year I would like to create a bridge between students and teachers while still keeping the respect and boundaries. I would also want to help students enjoy and look forward to school by adding slightly fun factors within the learning. I'm really grateful for this

Chief

Head of Year 8

Hello, my name is Chief-Sparkles and I am the Student Head of Year 8 and I am really looking forward to the opportunity I have been given to lead my year group again, as this year, I hope to achieve the following: make my year group a place where bullying is practically non-existent, make my year group an area where no-one is afraid to bring up their concerns and finally I hope to make this year group even better than it was last year in terms of attendance, punctuality, uniform, house points and behaviour points as I will make sure I lead by example.

Zoey

Assistant Head of Year 8

Hello my name is Zoey Spencer and my role within the Student Leadership Team is Assistant Head of Year 8. I am very grateful for the opportunity and this year I would like every child's voice to be heard and I would like to improve on homework and behaviour. I want to try and change the way homework is set so it can be accessed by everyone. I will make sure everyone has the right to speak out.





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Michelle Head of Year 9

Hello, my name is Michelle and I am Head of Year 9. I am very excited to be apart of this years leadership team. I have many goals and aspirations that I'm sure will help contribute to this team. I want to make sure I am a good role model to students, not just in my year but to students all around the school. Another goal of mine is to make sure every student feels welcomes and happy to be a part of this school. I thank the heads of school for giving me this opportunity.

Logan Assistant Head of Year 9

Hello, my name is Logan Marlborough and I'm Assistant Head of Year 9 and I am thankful that I am in the 2025-2026 Student Leadership Team. I want to achieve positive change in the school, such as behaviour, and the house system, because the house system is all about positive behaviour. I want to hear students voices and be able to talk to people if they need help with anything.

Aasiyah Head of Year 10

Hello, my name is Aasiyah Begum. I am Head of Year 10. Within my duty I want to prioritise the needs of my peers. I will ensure that everybody will feel heard and respected. I will do everything in my power to convey any thoughts and ideas to make NIA a better learning environment for everyone. Year 10 is a crucial year for students, so I want to be able to help everyone as much as I can so they can achieve the grades they want.

As well as helping others, I also want to prioritise being the best leader that I can be.

Vanessa Assistant Head of Year 10

Hello, my name is Vanessa and I am Assistant Head of Year 10. I have many goals I would like to achieve this academic year, such as, I want to make sure every student is feeling safe and respected around the academy. Within this, I would also like to report any problems to staff ensuring each student is happy. In addition, I want to represent myself as an amazing role model to my year group and the school. Being a part of Year 10 I would like to make sure everyone receives as much support as possible.

Haneefa Head of Year 11

Hi, my name is Haneefa, and I am delighted to be the Student Head of Year 11. Currently, I am a part of many student committees. For example, I take the role of chair in Student Council, and I am a dedicated member of the Religious Inclusion Committee, where my main role is to manage the multi-faith prayer room. I am looking forward to helping my peers achieve and strive towards excellence, opening as many opportunities as possible. I hope to utilise my role and collaborate with the leadership team to make positive impacts to the school and help my peers be the best they can be! Especially as many approach a huge milestone in Year 11. Any problems, issues or ideas can be brought to me, and I will try my best to find solutions for the school!





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Victoria Assistant Head of Year 11

Hello, my name is Victoria and I am excited to be the new Assistant Head of Year 11 this year! I am very grateful for this opportunity, as it means a lot to me, and I'm looking forward to being someone who listens, empathises, and creates a supportive environment. I look forward to working with both staff and students to make this year successful, memorable and full of opportunities for everyone. Thank you, I cannot wait to represent our year group and support everyone in achieving their best!



Rayyan Head of Sixth Form

My name is Rayyan Issa, and I am truly honoured to serve as the Student Head of Sixth Form at NIA6. Now in Year 13, I'm committed to supporting and motivating our student community as we continue to uphold the values that make NIA such a strong and inclusive environment. In this role, I look forward to advocating for our diverse cohort, listening to your experiences, and helping to create opportunities for everyone to grow, succeed, and feel at home within our Sixth Form. My aim is to ensure that we all have the chance to thrive and genuinely enjoy our Sixth Form journey together.

Jennifer Deputy Head of Sixth Form

My name is Jennifer Pomaa, the Student Deputy Head of Sixth Form and I am honoured and grateful for the opportunity to step into this role. My goal is very simple, to make sure student voices are heard, represented and supported.

As a Year 12 student, I understand that the transition to Sixth Form can be both exciting and challenging. That's why I'm dedicated to helping us all aspire to achieve our very best both academically and personally so that we can go on to be excellent in our individual passions. I'm really looking forward engaging with many of you listening to your ideas and working closely with the Student Leadership Team to make our school and even more welcoming, supportive and an enriching environment.





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Ollie

Assistant Head of Sixth Form

Hello, my name is Ollie S and my role within the Student Leadership Team is Assistant Head of Sixth Form. I have joined the student leadership team this year to develop the atmosphere within both the main building and the sixth form site to be more welcoming and safe for everyone. My areas I would like to focus on during my time here will be careers and mental wellbeing to ensure everyone gets an equal opportunity to get into the career they would like to. This year I believe that the voices from other students, not just student leaders, are just as important so I would like to use the voices of others to make real changes within our school that benefit those who want it. I am very thankful for the amazing opportunity to be within the Student Leadership Team and I am looking forward to helping make our school a better place for everyone.

Tariq Head of Year 12

Hello, my name is Tariq Ali and I am the Student Head of Year 12. I am excited to support my peers by advocating alternative pathways to their desired careers that may not be spoken about by many. I also want to engage with local professionals and possibly invite them into the school to deliver useful advice/opportunities about alternative pathways to careers.

Miss King (staff lead)

As Assistant Headteacher for Personal Development, I am proud to lead on Student Voice, ensuring that every student has the opportunity to be heard and make a positive impact within our school community.

One of the highlights of my role has been launching the Student Leadership Team for the very first time at NIA, a huge success that has already made a real difference. This year, I am thrilled to be working with an even bigger team, creating more opportunities for students to develop their leadership skills and confidence. It is truly a privilege to support these amazing young people as they grow into future leaders, shaping not only their own journeys but also the culture and values of our school.

Good luck to our new Student Leadership Team, we look forward to seeing amazing things from you in 2026!





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Widad A

I wanted to join This Girl Can because I felt this committee gave me the opportunity to enjoy sport in a place, I feel comfortable and not judged in. It also gives me the chance to try new sports and build my teamwork and confidence skills. Being chosen into this committee means a lot to me because it's a chance to inspire other girls to enjoy sport without fear or judgement and to help create a space where girls feel comfortable to get active, both for physical and mental health. It will also promote positivity and challenge stereotypes that people have against women and sport. This opportunity combines my love for sport and passion to uplift girls in sport. Thank you for believing I am capable of filling this role and I am so excited for the journey ahead.

Vanessa G

I was immediately drawn to apply for the This Girl Can committee for a handful of reasons such as one of them being, I would like to promote the love of sports to more girls which enables them to build new friendships, boost confidence, and break stereotypes. This committee also allows me to express my love, passion, and competitiveness for sports whilst inspiring others as well. I was also interested in applying for this girl can since I would like to show I am a social dynamic person who wants to encourage young girls to take part of more school events for example after school matches e.g. basketball & football I want everyone to be included and not to be separated by gender and be able to empower girls. I am very pleased and very happy I got selected for the This Girl Can committee as I am able to inspire other people and create a positive environment whilst doing something I am dedicated towards.

Ugne D

GIRL CAN

My name is Ugne; This is my second year being a part of this girl can and ive enjoyed every minute of it. Being a part of this group shown me a lot about problem solving skills and grown my confidence majorly, I enjoy helping others get into the spirit of playing sports they haven't played before and help girls understand it is not embarrassing to play sports. I enjoy running assembly's and teaching other younger pupils about THIS GIRL CAN.

Osa I

I wanted to join the This Girl Can Committee because I want to help more girls become active and confident through sports. Being part of several teams has really helped me build resilience and learn other important skills. I am glad that I got accepted because I am able to express my abilities and my passion for sports in this incredible committee, whilst creating an enjoyable environment for all!





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Kirusanthi S

I am passionate about sports, especially cricket because it has given me confidence and teamwork skills. I wanted to join This Girl Can to help other girls experience the same. Many girls hold back from sport because they don't feel confident or welcome and I would like to be part of changing that by sharing my ideas and helping others to create a supportive space where everyone feels they can get involved.

Faith O

I Wanted to join This Girl Can because I believe it is a great opportunity to help other girls become more active and gain more confidence through things like sport. I am happy I got accepted because it gives me the opportunity to show my passion for sports whilst helping other girls become more active.



Teodora C

I joined the This Girl Can committee to support other girls playing sports and encourage others to be more active and love the sport they play. Another reason I joined is to help build the confidence of girls who play or want to play in fixtures/attend clubs etc.

Maja C

I am really hppy and grateful that I got chosen to be part of This Girl Can committee. There was a lot of application where only a few people got chosen and I am glad I am one of them. Throughout this committee I will make sure to work with others, share my opinions and participate in all events such as assemblies.





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Nadia B

I was really interested in joining this Girls Can committee because I'm passionate about promoting female representation in areas where it's still uncommon. I enjoy encouraging women to step into spaces that have traditionally been male-dominated, and I believe sport and fitness are powerful platforms for building confidence, resilience, and equality. Being part of this committee gives me the chance to support initiatives that inspire more women to get involved, challenge stereotypes, and celebrate achievements that often go unnoticed. It feels meaningful to contribute to a community that values empowerment and visibility, and I am looking forward to help create opportunities that make sport and fitness more inclusive for everyone.

Lucy W

I am so pleased to join this girl can as I want to see an improvement in sports for young girls and women as the environment has come a long way, but it still needs to improve more. I hope that by joining this committee I can help to improve the environment and help to inspire them to want to be physically active in sports that they might find that is boy dominated.



Miss Milne (staff lead)

This Girl Can is a campaign that aims to reduce that gap and inspire women to be more physically active. Led by Sport England, This Girl Can is the first campaign of its kind to feature women of all shapes, sizes and sporting abilities that sweat and jiggle as they exercise. This Girl Can has been growing and developing here at NIA for the past 4 years and I am so thrilled with the committee members we have representing our Academy this academic year. As a female myself who is actively involved in playing and encouraging other females to be physically active and reaping the benefits of sports, it is fantastic to use this campaign and platform to further project and reach a wider audience. So far this year, our committee members have shown passion and gratitude for being on the committee and already started work to continue establishing our vision and working towards our yearly goals.