



NIA STUDENT VOICE NEWSLETTER



Exciting news...

Applications will soon be open to join the NIA 2026–2027 Student Leadership Team. This is an excellent opportunity for students to develop leadership skills, contribute to school life, and represent the student voice. There will be an assembly for all year groups after half term to hand out applications.

Student Voice Newsletter
Edition 5 – Summer Term 1

As we move into Summer Term 1, our committees have taken a lead role in shaping a busy and exciting period ahead. A range of events have already been driven by committee work, with particularly engaging assemblies and purposeful meetings held to prepare for the many opportunities and responsibilities of the summer term.

Assemblies this half term

This half term, assemblies have covered a wide range of themes and approaches. These have included student-led assemblies, providing pupils with opportunities to share their voices and leadership, alongside staff-led sessions focused on teaching and learning, as well as reinforcing our expectations around behaviour and culture.

Mr Beattie delivered practical assemblies demonstrating the importance and benefit of detailed and constructive feedback.



The Cultural and Religious Inclusion committee delivered an assembly focused on educating peers on the differences between patriotism and nationalism, following their discussions at Prince William Schools Diversity and Inclusion conference last half term.



The Student Leadership Team delivered assemblies sharing what they learnt at this years Global Ambassador conference, this included learning how to stay safe online.



NIA STUDENT VOICE NEWSLETTER

NIA Anti-Bullying Ambassadors join Trust training event!

At the end of last half term,, students from all Trust schools came together at NIA to take part in formal Anti-Bullying Ambassador training, hosted on site and delivered by The Diana Award.

The day provided valuable, practical opportunities for learners to explore the impact and consequences of bullying, both online and offline, and to reflect on the role individuals can play in challenging bullying behaviour.

A key strength of the training was the chance for students to work alongside peers from other schools, sharing ideas and collaborating on ways to support those experiencing bullying and to promote a kinder, more inclusive culture across our communities.



The Diana Award Anti-Bullying Ambassador Programme is a nationally recognised, youth-led initiative that equips young people with the skills, confidence and knowledge to become upstanders in their schools. Trained Ambassadors are empowered to educate their peers, lead anti-bullying campaigns and help create safe, respectful environments where differences are celebrated. The programme is recognised for its long-term impact, with Ambassadors continuing to lead positive change well beyond the initial training.





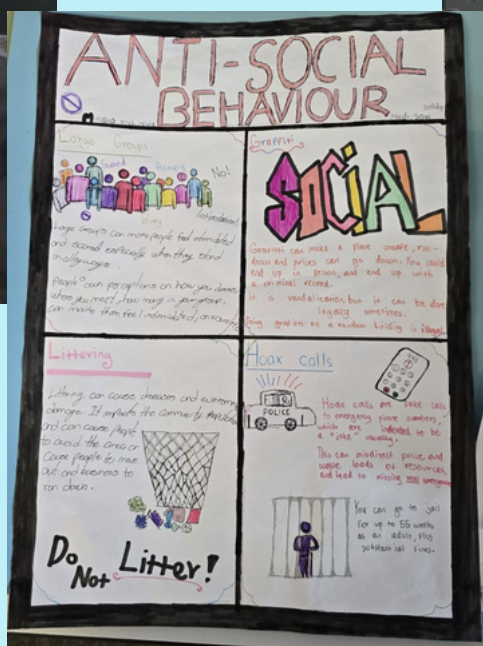
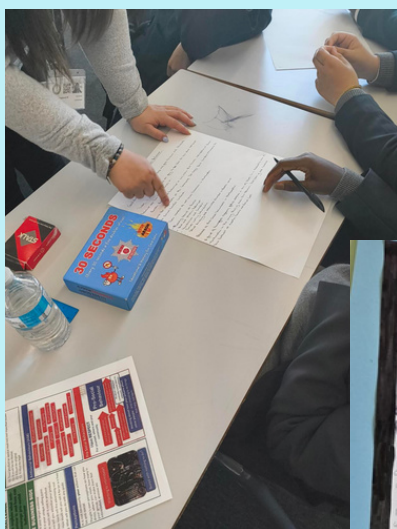
NIA STUDENT VOICE NEWSLETTER

NIA launch the 2026 County Schools Challenge event

The County Schools Challenge is a partnership project run across secondary schools in Northamptonshire.

Each year, it helps thousands of pupils learn about important social issues while teaching them invaluable skills. With a different theme each year, pupils use a business approach to raise awareness and develop creative ways to tackle a social problem.

On Tuesday we welcomed representatives from Northamptonshire Fire & Rescue, the Youth Justice Team and other organisations who work closely with the Police to launch this year's theme - Anti-Social Behaviour. Learners spent the day in their form groups coming up with ideas to raise awareness of different types of anti-social behaviour such as arson, littering, fly-tipping, graffiti, off-road motorcycles, eScooters and intimidation. Each group then presented their ideas to the rest of the form who voted for the best one. This idea then went to the final in the theatre in front of our amazing panel of judges - Thank you Mrs Fuller, Mr Li and Mr Palmer.



The winning idea was a Treasure Hunt round Northampton using QR Codes to find out about different anti-social behaviour from 9.06. We wish the winning time lots of luck in the semi-final!



NIA STUDENT VOICE NEWSLETTER



SPOTLIGHT ON...

NIA Cultural and Religious Inclusion committee



This term has been a busy one for members of our Cultural and Religious Inclusion committee.



Some of our Cultural and Religious Inclusion committee members visited Year 5 pupils at Castle Academy to deliver assemblies and workshops on inclusion and equality. The assembly highlighted the importance of kindness and mutual respect, and the workshops explored practical activities that demonstrated the long-lasting impact of bullying and discrimination.



NIA STUDENT VOICE NEWSLETTER



SPOTLIGHT ON...

NIA Cultural and Religious Inclusion committee



This term has been a busy one for members of our Cultural and Religious Inclusion committee.



This half term, Learners in **Northampton International Academy's** Religious and Cultural Inclusion Committee delivered assemblies on "Nationalism V Patriotism" and the impact of the flags in our community.

They created and delivered a balanced assembly on the positives and negatives of both, including student statements on the impact it has on our learners, as well as a message on "Reclaiming the flag" as a symbol of unity and pride.

On Friday, we had **Laura Stewart**, from **Prince William Academy** come and observe their final assembly and take some student voice, as the assembly was inspired by the brilliant DEI conference we had attended there earlier this academic year. It was excellent to share, and discuss how both schools can continue to collaborate in the future.