



NIA STUDENT VOICE

Committee Introductions from our Staff Leads

Reading Pioneers is a committee at NIA which aims to promote reading for all young people. We want to share our love for reading, in hopes to inspire others. We have led many assemblies for our primary and secondary phase as well as Castle Academy students. As a committee we have hosted many house competitions, for example designing a bookmark competition. We have also read many books which are proof copies or part of the Carnegies awards, including 'The Darkness of Colours' in which Reading Pioneers have a quote on the back of the book with our review. We have also had many visitors come into school and held workshops for us to take part in. Our most recent visitor was author Onjali Q Rauf. Our latest event was taking part in the Poetry Together, in which we went on a trip as a committee to a social gathering, where we performed a poem and drama piece created by members of our committee for elderly people and submitted it as a competition entry. We have also entered (for the last two years) the national reading champions quiz where we placed 5th and 6th. NIA has two teams preparing to enter this year's competition. In the near future, we are planning to lead more assemblies for world book day for NIA and Castle Academy learners and host many more house competitions.

Meet NIA's Student Committee Members!



Student - Jennifer
Committee - Cultural Inclusion

Hello, everyone, I'm Jennifer Pomaa, and I'm currently in Year 11. Since Year 8, I've been actively involved with the Cultural Inclusion Committee, which was established during that time. I joined this committee because I am passionate about educating others and celebrating the diverse cultures within our school community. Being a part of this committee has given us great opportunities to work with schools in and out of the School Trust. We've accomplished a lot over the years, like having Vice Lord-Lieutenant Morcea Walker and Sharon De Leonardis in for Culture Week 2024 to speak to our Key Stage 3. It's great to work alongside my peers who care about our school and community and are willing to educate themselves and others around them. It's amazing seeing how our school is becoming more aware of and understanding important issues in our society, and cultures, and being able to celebrate the diversity around us.

Cultural Inclusion visit PWS

Last week, NIA's Cultural Inclusion committee visited Prince William school to meet their new inclusion committee. It was a fantastic opportunity for both schools to share good practice!

