



Nottingham Academy Secondary

Weekly Bulletin—Friday 01/05/2026

Highlights of the week:

Year 7: A few of our year 7 boys attended the Boccia Festival this week and were brilliant! They displayed excellent behaviour and sportsmanship throughout. They won all of their games apart from one, which they drew. Undefeated!! Although there were no official tournament winner announced the boys arrived back knowing they were champions and were celebrated at the Bridge site with our own victory crowning. Huge shout out to Yannik, Luke W, Reece, Marcin, Archie and Tytus!!

Year 8: Improvements in attendance across the year group have been sustained, bringing Year 8 close to the top of the pile with regards to attendance. Year 8 have also shown fantastic behaviour this week during the fire alarm and lockdown drill, being the first to be ready to leave following the fire drill and following instructions well to ensure each other's safety during the lockdown drill. Year 8 have also accrued 23450 positive behaviour points over the last 7 days. Well done, Year 8!

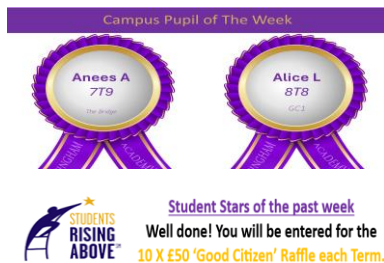
Year 9: This week, a group of our Year 9 students had the opportunity to attend Intu University trips, providing valuable exposure to further education settings. Students were able to visit university facilities and engage with knowledgeable staff and students to learn more about university life, courses, and future career pathways. Exploring next steps at an early stage helps students make informed decisions about their futures. It was a lively and enjoyable experience, and the students represented the academy well.

Year 10: Our hospitality and catering students were treated to an inspiring visit from Coosh Bakery, who delivered a hands-on session all about dough. Students learned about techniques, processes, and had the chance to sample and bake some delicious treats along the way. The session was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone and brought learning to life in a memorable way. Thank you Ms Chattaway for arranging this!

Year 11: This week marked an important milestone for our Year 11 students as they began their examination period. They have already completed speaking exams across several modern foreign languages, as well as assessments in photography and textiles. The maturity, focus, and determination shown by students have been exemplary, and we are incredibly proud of the effort they have put in. Keep up the fantastic work, Year 11!

Sixth Form: This week's highlight comes this weekend, as our Elite Basketball Women's Team compete in the Junior Final Fours, the final event of the 2025/2026 Basketball Season. After an outstanding campaign, winning the North Conference and securing their place as one of four winners in the Elite Eight knockout in March, the team travels to Manchester for the Final Four competition. We are immensely proud of their achievements and wish them the very best of luck on the court!

100% Attendance, 0 lates, most points for the whole site, 0 negatives



Year 7: Axel T - Axel is our Star Student of the Week for his consistently positive attitude and outstanding effort throughout the week. He has earned multiple Golden Tickets and numerous Caught Being Great awards, recognising his excellent behaviour, engagement, and willingness to make positive choices. Axel's consistency, resilience, and positive contribution to school life make him a very well-deserved star student. Well done Axel!

Year 8: Yara O, Ilma M, Abubacarr M and Eesa S - Congratulations to these students for supporting with making goodie bags while being Student Ambassadors. They have shown incredible resilience to work to a firm deadline while producing work of outstanding quality. Their contribution has meant that all of our student voice participants have been celebrated for their exceptional work.

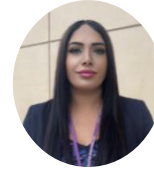
Year 9: Zainab R - Zainab has returned to the top position this week with the highest number of house points. She has shown outstanding consistency in her attitude towards learning and a strong work ethic across her studies. Very well done, Zainab.

Gino - Gino who independently took the initiative to help tidy the academy after lunchtime on Thursday showed real community spirit.

Year 10: A huge shout-out to our Performing Arts students, who have been working incredibly hard behind the scenes to ensure their work is ready for submission. Special mention goes to Miranda, Abigail, Kaiden, Caeli, Merhawi and Ecrin, who have been staying late and showing real commitment, resilience, and professionalism. We are very proud of their dedication.

Year 11: Yad O and Mo M - Both have truly embodied our school values this week by demonstrating outstanding maturity, compassion, and friendship by stepping up to support others when it mattered most. Their actions did not go unnoticed, and we are extremely proud of the positive role models they continue to be.

Sixth Form: Adnan Shahid - Adnan is being recognised for the second time since joining Sixth Form. Adnan has shown himself to be an exceptionally hardworking student, while also fully embracing super-curricular opportunities. This week, he spent a day at Nottingham Trent University, gaining valuable insight into the Engineering course. He explored their state-of-the-art facilities, met current students, and learned from academic staff about the wide range of career pathways an engineering degree can offer. Well done, Adnan!



Mrs Elbaz — Executive Principal

"Resilience is all about being able to overcome the unexpected. Sustainability is about survival. The goal of resilience is to thrive"

Jamais Cascio

Upcoming events:

Year 7: Year 7 Alton Towers Trip – Friday 10th July 2026.

Letters have already been sent home, and payments can be made via ParentPay, please refer to the letter for payment deadlines.

Year 8: Year 8 HPV Vaccinations - Thursday 21st May 2026: The vaccination team will be visiting school on Thursday 21st May. Vaccinations will take place throughout the school day for any Year 8 students who have consent to receive them. A link has been sent to your NHS app.

PGL Residential Trip – Wednesday 17th June 2026 to Friday 19th June 2026: We are looking forward to the PGL residential trip to Caythorpe Court in Lincoln. This trip will offer students exciting outdoor activities, opportunities to build confidence, teamwork, and unforgettable experiences.

Year 9: After the bank holiday, Year 9 students will be completing their Year 9 Assessments which are taking place on Tuesday 5th May 2026 and Wednesday 6th May 2026 in the Sports Hall. We wish all students the very best of luck as they use this opportunity to practise exam techniques and showcase the excellent progress they have made this year. Finally, please look out for payment reminders for July trips which will be sent out shortly.

Year 10: Next week, 30 Year 10 students will be attending Nottingham University as part of the Future Leaders Programme. This exciting opportunity is designed to raise aspirations, develop leadership skills, and give students an insight into university life through workshops, talks, and campus-based experiences.

Year 11: Thursday 7th May 2026 – Is the beginning of the first written GCSE exam. Monday 11th May 2026 – Year 11 sit their first full-cohort exam

We wish all our Year 11 students the very best of luck as they continue through their exams, you've got this!

Sixth Form: Thursday 7th May 2026 - Year 12 Examinations Assembly. An examinations assembly will be delivered to all Year 12 students who have official exams over the next two months. This important session will cover exam preparation guidance.

Whole School



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Option 1: Student Absence/Reporting a late arrival/Report an upcoming appointment for your child.

Option 2: SENDCo

Option 3: Examinations Office

Option 4: PA to Executive Principal

Option 5: Free school meals / Parent Pay enquiries

Option 6: Safeguarding Team

Option 7: School Admissions

Option 8: School Administration Office



Please remember that a free breakfast is available between 8.00am - 8.20am School gates officially open at 8.20am where ALL Students need to arrive to school by 8.30am