



Nottingham Academy Secondary

Weekly Bulletin—Friday 08/05/2026

Highlights of the week:

Year 7: Even with a four-day week Year 7 students this week have managed to earn over 20,000 positive behaviour points this week for their efforts in learning! We are aiming to increase our responsibility with an attempt to ensure every Year 7 brings their full table service each day. Each week we will be randomly picking a winner who has been bringing their full table service each week. Year 7's have also started preparing for our big move to the Greenwood Road campus in a few weeks' time... details to follow.

Year 8: On Tuesday, Year 8 students attended a powerful and informative assembly led by guest speaker Alison Cope, who spoke to the entire year group about knife crime and personal safety. I was incredibly proud of how Year 8 conducted themselves during this assembly. Students were exceptionally well-behaved, respectful and attentive. The assembly helped students to better understand the importance of making safe choices and being aware of risks within their local community. It was encouraging to see how seriously they engaged with the message and reflected on how to keep themselves and others safe.

Year 9: A massive well done to all of Year 9 this week! 🎉 During assessments, their behaviour was outstanding, not a single issue. They showed real maturity by staying focused, using their time wisely, and taking the work seriously. That's exactly the mindset that will set you up for success at GCSE. Keep it up! We also kicked off our Friday Tuck Shop 🍌 this week! Thank you to everyone who supported it, every purchase helps fund our residential next month. If you want to grab something next Friday, don't forget to bring some loose change!

Year 10: Ms Geary took 30 students to Nottingham University to begin their Future Leaders Programme, an exciting three-day initiative designed to develop leadership skills and confidence. Students had a fantastic day, including an inspiring session with *The Challenger* and a range of confidence-building activities. A standout moment was a brilliant acting performance by Tylon and Nevaeh, who brought a scene from *The Karate Kid* to life. It was a highly engaging and successful experience, and we are excited to see how the students continue to grow over the programme.

Year 11: Year 11 have officially begun their GCSE examinations this week, starting with Psychology and Turkish. Both exams were approached with maturity and focus, and students have made an excellent start. Well done to everyone for your hard work and positive attitude!

Sixth Form: U18 Women's Basketball - National Champions!

After an outstanding season that saw them crowned Northern Conference winners and secure their place in the Elite Eight knockout stages, our U18 Women's Basketball team travelled to Manchester this weekend to compete in the Final Four. In a thrilling semi-final on Saturday, they edged past Ipswich with a one-point victory. On Sunday, they delivered another superb performance in the final against COLA, winning 62–58 to claim the U18 National Championship title. An incredible achievement, we could not be prouder of them!

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



Student Stars of the past week

Well done! You will be entered for the 10 X £50 'Good Citizen' Raffle each Term.

Year 7: Aqsa S - Aqsa has consistently displayed excellent behaviour and supported her teachers with classroom responsibilities. Aqsa has received several golden tickets and has been recognised by for staying positive when having some difficulty in her Spanish lessons. Well done, Aqsa!

Year 8: This week, I would like to recognise a group of Year 8 students who have gone above and beyond in their roles as Student Ambassadors from Tuesday to Friday, with two students supporting each day.

These students provided outstanding assistance by:

- Running important errands for the Administration Team.
- Supporting Miss Bigwood in preparing goodie bags for our Student Voice representatives.
- Representing Year 8 with maturity, enthusiasm, and responsibility.

Their willingness to volunteer their time and effort has not gone unnoticed. They showed excellent teamwork, reliability, and a genuine desire to support others. On behalf of the school, I would like to sincerely thank them for their fantastic contribution this week, they should be extremely proud of themselves.

Year 9: Dahlia D – Dahlia earned the most house points this week!

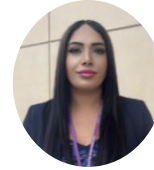
This is her first time at the top since Year 8, and it's completely deserved. Her hard work and consistency have really paid off. Amazing effort, keep it going, Dahlia!

Year 10: Kaiden, Merhawi, Daniella, Abigail, Eva, Dilara, Rugie, Caeli and Djanira.

These students took part in a fantastic workshop with the Royal Shakespeare Company on Friday. They had a great time, fully immersed themselves in the experience, and represented the school brilliantly. We are very proud of their enthusiasm and effort.

Year 11: Mariyam H - Mariyam has been outstanding this week. She has demonstrated exceptional dedication to her revision, consistently seeking out additional resources and practising with past exam papers. Her commitment and work ethic have been fantastic to see, keep it up!

Sixth Form: Lucy U, Eadie F, Mia G, Mateya G, Kyrah J, Hanya C, Tiarna C-D, Kosisochi A, Prudents D-O, Eliana K and Hayley C - Our U18 Women's Basketball team truly deserve the spotlight for their dedication, resilience, and commitment, especially while balancing training and competition alongside their studies and revision. Well done you are all amazing athletes!



Mrs Elbaz — Executive Principal

"Persistence and resilience only come from having been given the chance to work through difficult problems."

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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. Any p[payments not made could jeopardise your child's place on the trip.

Year 8: Key dates for your diary:

Friday 8th May 2026:

- Year 8 Sports Trip Football tournament and tennis/netball tournament at Emmanuel School

Monday 18th May 2026:

- PGL Residential Trip Assembly.

An important information assembly for all students attending the PGL trip, with parents also welcome to attend to receive key details about the experience

Thursday 21st May 2026:

- Year 8 HPV Vaccinations Day.

Parents should have received a link to consent. If you have not received a link please contact the immunisations team on 0333 3583397 Option. 4.

Wednesday 17th June 2026 – Friday 19th June 2026:

- Year 8 Residential Trip to Caythorpe Court, Lincolnshire

Year 9: Get ready... Year 9 Graduation Day is coming! 🎓

We'll be celebrating the end of Key Stage 3 with:

- 🎓 A special ceremony (with a graduation robe and hat – just like university!)
- 🏆 Awards and prizes.
- 🌟 Recognition of your hard work.

This is a big milestone, and you've made it through KS3! As you move into Year 10, you'll start focusing on your chosen GCSE subjects and shaping your future paths.

Year 10: Year 10 Work Experience will take place in the week commencing Monday 6th July 2026 or Monday 13th July 2026. Please ensure that all placement details are uploaded and completed on Unifrog. Many excellent placements have already been organised, and this promises to be a really exciting opportunity for our students.

Year 11: Next week, Year 11 will continue with a busy exam schedule, including:

- Monday 11th May starting at 9:00am - English Literature
- Tuesday 12th May starting at 9:00am - Religious Education (RE)
- Tuesday 12th May starting at 1:00pm - Biology
- Wednesday 13th May starting at 9:00am - Geography
- Thursday 14th May starting at 9:00am - Mathematics
- Thursday 14th May starting at 1:00pm - Psychology
- Friday 15th May starting at 9:00am - History
- Friday 15th May starting at 1:00pm - IT

All students **MUST** arrive to school for **8.30am to be registered**. We wish all students the very best of luck as they continue their exams.

Sixth Form: Friday 15th May 2026: Nottingham Trent University will be visiting to speak with our Year 13 students about Results Day and the UCAS Clearing process, ensuring students feel informed, prepared, and confident in making the right decisions for their next steps.

Parent/Carer Information – Arbor

Enable Push Notifications on Arbor:

Please find here a link that shows how you can enable notifications on your device for the Arbor App. By enabling notifications, every time a new piece of information about your child is posted on Arbor, you will see a notification. This could be anything from messages home, attendance updates, behaviour updates, exam information and timetable changes.

<https://support.arbor-education.com/hc/en-us/articles/360002598038-Parents-not-receiving-push-notifications>

Lunchtime Detentions

Our lunchtime detentions run on a 24-hour delay. Any incident between 13:20pm on a day and 13:19pm on the next day will result in a detention session the following day.

For example:

Incident on Monday at 11:00am = detention on Tuesday at 13:20pm.

Incident on Monday at 14:00pm = detention on Wednesday at 13:20pm.



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