



# Nottingham Academy Secondary

## Weekly Bulletin—Friday 24/01/2025

### Highlights of the week

**Year 7:** Seeing the reaction of the students who have been invited on the trip to the Nottingham Theatre on Tuesday 28th January 2025. Over 100 of our wonderful Year 7 students have been given the chance to go and watch a play at the theatre because of their hard work and behaviour so far, this academic year and to see the excitement from them has been wonderful.

**Year 8:** Our Year 8 girls basketball team got to the finals this week, finishing in second place, a great achievement by the whole team. Well done to you all!

**Year 9:** Our students have really shone this week having collected more positives and less negatives than any other week since the start of this academic year. This is a testament to their dedication to improving their attitudes to learning and in turn their chances at broadening their opportunities in the future! We've also had a select group of students begin the Know More Project which will be a wonderful opportunity for them to thrive by exploring the wider curriculum individually and as a group.

**Year 10:** We saw a very mature reaction to a sensitive topic in assembly and in PSHE this week. Well done to the whole year group who responded very well and took all the information on board.

**Year 11:** Today, Friday 24 January 2025, we were delighted to welcome The Shakespeare Birthplace Trust to the academy. They delivered engaging and interactive revision workshops that brought Shakespeare's works to life. Students explored key themes, characters, and historical contexts in an exciting and hands-on way. A big thank you to the English department and our great students who shone!

**Sixth Form:** To support their future success in examinations, Year 13 students have been taking part in workshops this week, focusing on revision toolkits, such as how to use flashcards effectively.

### Student Stars of the past week



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

**Year 7:** Thomas S for 100% attendance this half term so far, 0 negative points and is in the top 20 for most positive points this academic year. He is always polite and respectful and is a credit to the year group, keep up the amazing work Thomas!

**Year 8:** Charlie D with an Impressive 730 positive points this week, not only that but zero negative points too. Charlie always does his best and is a credit to the academy and his family. Well done Charlie!

**Year 9:** Robert M for consistently showing an outstanding attitude to learning, a positive presence around the academy and accruing 890 positive points! This is a fantastic total, well done Robert!

**Year 10:** Zain S who has received the highest number of positive points within the year group, zero negatives and 100% attendance, amazing work Robert!

**Year 11:** Mohamed A is our dedicated Head Boy! Mohamed has recently had his interview for the prestigious Arkwright Engineering Scholarship. This highly competitive program supports future leaders in engineering and design by providing mentorship, financial assistance, and networking opportunities. Well done, Mohamed, for taking this important step toward your future career.

**Sixth Form:** This week, Year 12 criminology students have sat a 3 hour and a 5 hour examination. They all displayed fantastic concentration and endurance. Well done to all of them! They are all our star students this week!



Mrs Elbaz — Executive Principal  
*Wishing you all a safe and restful weekend.*

### Upcoming events:

**Year 7:** A trip to the Nottingham Theatre on Tuesday 28th January 2025 to see "Coming to England": 'A story about hope, love and determination'.

Year 7 Progress Evening is on Thursday 30th January 2025 from 3.30pm-6.30pm at the Year 7 site. The evening will be a chance for parents to speak to members of staff about their child's progress so far in this academic year and ask any questions. We hope to see as many parents as possible please book using the link provided on the letters!

**Year 8:** Year 8 students will be looking at the differences between real and virtual friendships in PSHE next week. Teachers' vs Students "Dodgeball Competition" is on the horizon, we are promoting this early to build interest before the end of this term.

**Year 9:** The Year 9 Boys' Football Team are still awaiting their fixture date for the Semi-Final of the County Cup; they are training hard and have a positive mindset that we will be through to the finals. Fixture details will be sent when finalised.

**Year 10:** A Science competition will take place on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2025, as well as a "House Dodgeball" tournament on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2025 taking place afterschool in the sports hall. Good luck all!

**Year 11:** Year 11 Pre-Public Examinations (PPEs) begin on Monday 27 January 2025 and will run for two weeks. These mock exams are a crucial opportunity to prepare for the final GCSE exams, allowing students to experience the exam environment, identify strengths and areas for improvement, and build confidence. Students must be in school 8:30am each day to be ready for a prompt start. Best of luck to all our Year 11 students!

Speaking mock exams for these subjects will take place w/c 10th February 2025. Make sure you revise your pre-prepared questions and ask your teachers for any support you need.

**Sixth Form:** Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2025 is when The Greenwood Trust Basketball tournament is taking place. Our Sixth Form elite players will be supporting the day coaching and refereeing the matches.

Friday 31st January 2025: Our Year 12 Art students will be visiting Nottingham Lakeside to visit an exhibition and take part in a masterclass.

### Whole School:

Please see below, the year group emails to ensure the relationship and communication between the home/school and your child, is monitored and actioned daily.

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