



Nottingham Academy Secondary

Weekly Bulletin—Friday 17/04/2026

Highlights of the week:

Year 7: Year 7 students have come back after the Easter break with fantastic energy and enthusiasm! As a year group, they have already earned an outstanding 28,940 achievement points for their houses — a brilliant effort from everyone involved. They've also shown incredible community spirit, raising £219 in support of Miss Crampton's sponsored charity walk. A huge thank you to all who contributed, and good luck, Miss Crampton!
Excitement is building as Year 7 look ahead to the Sixth Form fundraising event next Monday, where they'll have the chance to take on the Sixth Form in basketball dunks and running races. We can't wait to see the competition heat up!

Year 8: It has been wonderful to welcome students back following the Easter break and see them settle quickly into routines. A major highlight this week was the two exams sat on Wednesday morning, one in Maths and one in English. These assessments form an important part of students' preparation for future exam conditions as they move towards Key Stage 4 from Year 10 onwards. Students behaved impeccably throughout the process, demonstrating real focus, maturity and resilience. We are extremely proud of how seriously they approached these exams and the calm way they conducted themselves.

Year 9: It has been brilliant to see our Year 9 students refreshed, re-energised, and enthusiastic about returning to school. This week, we launched our brand-new "Ready to Learn" initiative, which has been extremely well received. As part of the launch, all students were provided with a fully-kitted pencil case to ensure they have the equipment they need to start each lesson positively and successfully. Please ensure your child brings this with them every day so they are ready to learn.

Year 10: It has been a real pleasure welcoming Year 10 students back after the holidays. The transition back into school routines has been positive, with students settling quickly and engaging well with their learning. There has been a calm and purposeful atmosphere across the week, which has been lovely to see. We have also begun receiving consent forms for the upcoming Alton Towers trip on Friday 17th July, and we are very much looking forward to what promises to be a fun, well-deserved reward experience later in the year.

Year 11: Fourteen of our Year 11 students attended an "ASMP" maths study day at the University of Derby with peers from seven Nottinghamshire schools. Activities included a campus tour and problem-solving sessions on challenging GCSE topics, boosting confidence, mathematical understanding and awareness of university life.

Sixth Form: It was lovely to welcome back all students after the Easter break. Our Year 13 students now move into focused preparation for their upcoming examinations, and we are looking forward to supporting them approach their final exams with confidence.

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



Year 7: Hamna B - Hamna has consistently shown excellent organisation, teamwork, and independence, earning "Golden Tickets", "Caught Being Great" and achieving multiple tutor basics checks. Hamna has also received the Community Citizen Award for making a positive contribution to school life. A fantastic all-round effort and a well-deserved recognition so well done, Hamna!

Year 8: Logan R - Logan has had an excellent week, showing strong attendance and significant improvement in his behaviour. This consistency and effort have not gone unnoticed. A big well done to Logan for such a positive turnaround.

Mia W - Mia acted as a key student ambassador on the first day back on Monday, offering valuable support to the admin team and Mr Atkinson with a variety of tasks. Her maturity, willingness to help and positive attitude were exemplary. Well done to both students for being excellent role models within Year 8.

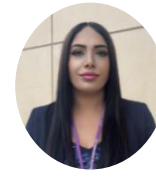
Year 9: Sibtain A - Sibtain has come out of the blocks flying in this first week back after the holidays, amassing an amazing total of house points. It's been a fantastic start to the term for Sibtain, keep it up!

Harrison W - Harrison has made a very strong start this week following a challenging term. Well done Harrison for this great resilience and effort shown.

Year 10: Riley-Jay - Riley has shown a noticeable and commendable improvement in behaviour. Riley-Jay has worked hard to make positive choices, approach situations more calmly, and engage more constructively throughout the school day. This effort has not gone unnoticed, and we are really pleased with the progress being made. Well done, Riley-Jay - keep it up!

Year 11: Sofian H - Sofian for his outstanding effort, engagement and contribution across the sessions held at the ASMP study day at the University of Derby. Well done!

Sixth Form: Ayden L and Prudents O - They have both organised our first ever 'Spirit Week' in Sixth Form. Hoping to bring students together, fostering a fun and supportive environment in Sixth Form.



Mrs Elbaz — Executive Principal

"Resilience isn't a single skill. It's a variety of skills and coping mechanisms. To bounce back from bumps in the road as well as failures, you should focus on emphasizing the positive."

Jean Chatzky

Upcoming events:

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

Letters for the Alton Towers trip has already been sent home with all the information you need and the payments can be made via ParentPay. Students are getting excited already for what will be a most enjoyable day. More information will follow regarding the day.

Year 8: Please note the following important upcoming events:

Football & Netball: Friday 8th May 2026:

Year 8's 7-a-side Football and 7-a-side Netball Tournament

This will take place at Emanuel School. Selected students will receive further details directly.

PGL Residential Trip: Monday 17th – Wednesday 19th June 2026:

Nearly 100 Year 8 students will be taking part in an exciting three-day residential at Caythorpe Court, Lincoln. This experience will focus on teamwork, confidence-building and personal development. More information will be shared with parents closer to the date.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the Year 8 team.

Year 9: We are still collecting payments for our PGL Residential Trip, this is a three-day action-packed experience taking place towards the end of June 2026. In addition, we are very much looking forward to our annual trip to Alton Towers. Please ensure that all consent paperwork is completed and returned as soon as possible to ensure your child has a place.

Year 10: Barcelona Trip: Tuesday 21st April 2026 – Friday 24th April 2026:

We are very excited to share that the Barcelona trip will be taking place next week. A group of 30 x Year 10 students will be travelling and taking part in a range of educational and cultural experiences. The trip will be led by Ms Thomson, Ms Geary, and Mr Goodfellow, who are all very much looking forward to supporting students on this fantastic opportunity. Final preparations are now underway, and anticipation among students continues to grow. This trip promises to be a memorable experience that will broaden students' horizons and create lasting memories.

Year 11: Next week the Year 11 parents Supporting Exam success will be sent via a Presentation PowerPoint regarding all relevant Examination information (**it is not in person at the academy**). The presentation will help parents support their Year 11 student in the best way possible. More details will follow.

Sixth Form: Activities happening in sixth form next week:

Monday 20th April 2026: Sports lunch - Prepare to compete in fun sports activities during lunch

Tuesday 21st April 2026: Formal Day - Dress in smart or elegant clothing

Wednesday 22nd April 2026: Jersey Day - Come in your favourite sports jersey or team colours

Thursday 23rd April 2026: Pyjama Day - Come in your pyjamas or comfy clothes

Friday 24th April 2026: Flash to the Past Friday - Dress inspired by the 80's, 90's & 00's.

Sixth Form Employability Day at Capital One

On Tuesday 21st April 2026 and Thursday 23rd April 2026, Year 12 students will be taking part in an Employability Day hosted by Capital One. Students will attend on one of these dates. They will leave site at 9:00am, spend the day taking part in a range of career-related activities led by Capital One staff, and return to site at approximately 2:45pm. The day will be an excellent opportunity for students to gain a real insight into the world of work and develop key employability skills.

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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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