



Nottingham Academy Secondary

Weekly Bulletin—Friday 24/04/2026

Highlights of the week:

Year 7: Students had a blast supporting the 6th form team raise funds during their spirit week. Our year 7 students had an amazing fun time attempting to score goals and dunk hoops past some of our most skilful 6th formers. Great action for all those that took part.

Year 8: The PE team have been extremely complimentary about how amazing the girls were during their rounder's lessons, showing enthusiasm, teamwork, and a real willingness to get involved. Equally, the boys have taken brilliantly to athletics, which is part of the new summer term scheme of work, demonstrating focus, effort, and a strong desire to improve their performance. Across the year group, students have shown excellent engagement and a clear determination to work towards being the best athletes they can be. It has been fantastic to see such positive energy, commitment, and resilience demonstrated in lessons. This strong start puts Year 8 in a great position as they begin preparing for Sports Day in Half Term 6, and we are excited to see this effort continue throughout the summer term.

Year 9: Mr Miller's Attendance FA Cup Style Competition has been a huge success with our Year 9 students this week. It has been a tense and exciting competition, with two Year 9 form groups making it all the way to the final — a tremendous achievement.

A particular congratulations to 9T5, who maintained 100% attendance throughout the entire week, earning their place in the final against 9T3. We are incredibly impressed and proud of the motivation, determination, and commitment all students have shown towards their education. We would also like to give a special shout-out to our Year 9 student panel who spoke so confidently and maturely to OFSTED this week. They represented the academy brilliantly and are a real credit to themselves, their families, and the wider school community.

Year 10: Our Year 10 students on the Barcelona trip are having an amazing time and representing the school so well. From the Tapas tasting of patatas bravas, paella and tortilla to burying people in the sand on our day trip to the beach. More to come on this amazing experience for our wonderful students.

Year 11: Our Year 11 GCSE Art students have completed their external art assignment. Each pupil selected a personal theme and developed their own unique sub-theme, showcasing their individual interests, creativity, and strengths. The final stage of the project, a 10-hour practical exam worth 25% of their overall grade, was completed with focus, determination, and impressive artistic flair. The standard of work has been exceptional, and we are incredibly proud of how well the cohort has risen to the challenge.

Sixth Form: This week, our Year 12 students visited Capital One to take part in their Employability Days programme. The experience provided a valuable insight into the world of work, allowing students to explore key employability skills while also developing their financial literacy. It was an engaging and informative opportunity that will support them as they begin to think about their future pathways.

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



Year 7: Olivia K W - Olivia has contributed 7440 positive behaviour points to Wollaton House since September, with over 300 of them being earned this week alone. Olivia has been caught being great in her English, Maths and Science lessons this week and has continued to keep her standards high! Well done!

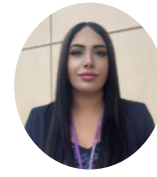
Year 8: Ollie R and Joy k - Ollie and Joy took part in an important student voice process, where they showed huge amounts of bravery and courage. They confidently spoke to extremely important people about our school, sharing their honest feedback, ideas, and thoughts. This was not an easy task, and both students represented the school in a mature, thoughtful, and respectful way. Their willingness to speak up and shed light on student experiences is something to be incredibly proud of.

Year 9: Kassidy G - Kassidy has been amazing over the last few months. Her commitment and hard work have rightly been reflected in her excellent points total this week. She is truly deserving of a big shout-out, congratulations Kassidy! Special mention also goes to Inayah and Safaa, who have been quietly outstanding this week. Both students have been extremely helpful around the academy and are always willing to support staff. Thank you, girls, for all that you do — it does not go unnoticed.

Year 10: Daniel I O, AJ O and Huzaifa H - All 3 were amazing role models during our Ofsted student voice meetings and represented the Academy with great pride.

Year 11: Lewis B - Lewis continues to set the bar high. His maturity, consistent dedication to his studies, and commitment to attending interventions have not gone unnoticed. Lewis embodies what it means to be a role model in Year 11, and we are extremely proud of his ongoing efforts and attitude.

Sixth Form: Elisya K - Elisya represented our sixth form brilliantly during the Employability Days at Capital One. Elisya not only performed exceptionally well and won one of the competitions, but then generously shared her prize of chocolates with her fellow students. A wonderful example of both excellence and kindness. Congratulations Elisya!



Mrs Elbaz — Executive Principal

"Every great dream begins with a dreamer. Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world."

Harriet Tubman

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 ensure you pay the balance before the end of April to ensure your child gets their ticket.

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: Trips – Alton Towers and PGL.

A reminder to families that for students attending upcoming trips, all remaining balance payments must be completed by:

- Alton Towers – balance to be paid by the end of April 2026.
- PGL Residential – balance to be paid by the end of May 2026.

Please ensure payments are made on time to avoid any issues.

Year 9 Summative Assessments (formal exams) week commencing 5th May. We have shared information to support your child's revision. Additional guidance and material will be sent to you 27th April.

Year 10: Our community languages exams take place next week. We think it is amazing that our school community has students who are going to earn GCSEs in Spanish, Portuguese, Polish, Arabic, Urdu, Italian and French. Good luck to all students in these exams, worth a whopping 25% of their final grade.

Year 11: Our first full cohort exam takes place on Monday 11th May 2026. We want to wish every Year 11 student the very best of luck, you've worked hard, you're ready and we know you will all be amazing.

Sixth Form: Nottingham Trent University – Monday 27th April 2026.

Nottingham Trent University will be visiting to speak to our Year 12 students. They will be delivering a session titled "What University Can Do for You", designed to help students begin thinking about their next steps after sixth form and the opportunities available to them.

Whole School

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

If you need to contact us, please see below the list of telephone options to make it easier and quicker for you to get to the right department:

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
Option 1 for Year 7 and 6th form
Option 2 for Year 8 to Year 11

