



Nottingham Academy Secondary

Weekly Bulletin—Friday 26/06/2026

Highlights of the week:

Year 7: After their first full week at Greenwood Road Campus, it's clear Year 7 students are adapting brilliantly to their new surroundings. It's been a pleasure to watch their confidence grow already. Students have enjoyed exploring the campus, finding their way to lessons and getting to know their teachers. It's been fantastic to see Year 7 settling in so well, becoming part of a wider school community and sharing the space confidently with other year groups.

Year 8: The highlight of this week was our Year 8 Drop Down Day, organised by our Careers and Enrichment Officer, Mrs Smikle. Students spent the day in their tutor groups participating in a range of engaging workshops. These sessions focused on key areas such as:

- Life skills
- Social and emotional development
- Mental and physical wellbeing

The day had a strong PSHE focus, helping students develop important skills for both school and life beyond. It was fantastic to see students:

1. Working collaboratively
2. Engaging positively in all activities
3. Demonstrating excellent behaviour throughout the day

A huge well done to Year 8 for making the day such a success!

Year 9: PGL Residential Trip.

Our biggest highlight this week was the PGL residential trip, where students embraced a fantastic range of outdoor adventures.

Despite challenging weather conditions and extreme temperatures, the students showed resilience and determination throughout. They thoroughly enjoyed activities such as:

- Water-based challenges
- Archery
- Climbing and high-rope challenges

It was wonderful to see so many students pushing themselves and building confidence. The staff were incredibly supportive, and the overall experience has created lasting memories that we hope students will treasure for years to come.

Year 10: Our Year group have made an excellent start to their PPE (Pre-Public Examinations) exams this week. Students have shown impressive hard work, dedication, and punctuality throughout, approaching each exam with a positive and focused attitude. It has been fantastic to see so many students taking pride in their efforts, and we are incredibly proud of the commitment they are demonstrating.

Sixth Form: It has been a busy week for our Sixth Form students. On Thursday, we attended the Nottingham Trent University Schools & Colleges Day, where students explored specialist subject taster sessions and gained valuable insight into university life. The week concluded with a trip to Alton Towers, providing a fantastic opportunity for students to celebrate together. We were especially pleased to have many of our Year 13 students join us as part of their end of Sixth Form celebrations.

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.

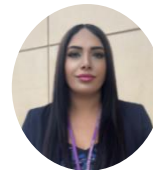
Year 7: Esraa D – Esraa has achieved the highest number of House points this week, an excellent achievement. A very well deserving student who consistently meets and exceeds all academy expectations. Well done Esraa!

Year 8: This week's star students are the fantastic group of Year 8 pupils who took part in a Performing Arts session on Thursday. Around 15 students were specially selected by Mr Newell and Miss O'Flynn to take part in this session, which focused on developing skills in preparation for Year 9 Performing Arts. The students represented the school exceptionally well. They showed great enthusiasm, creativity, and commitment throughout, and should be very proud of their efforts. Well done to all students involved, you made Nottingham Academy proud!

Year 9: Mani S – Whilst on our recent residential trip, Mani demonstrated exceptional maturity and consideration throughout. He consistently went above and beyond helping to tidy up after dinner and supporting others without being asked. Mani was also part of a dedicated group of students who stayed late after school the previous week to prepare and bake items for our fundraising sale. His commitment, teamwork, and positive attitude have been outstanding. He has been a real credit to both the academy and his family. We are incredibly proud of you, Mani – well done!

Year 10: Maysie-Rae E – Maysie-Rae has had a brilliant week with no negative points recorded. She has shown a clear improvement in her behaviour and attitude, setting a great example for others. Well done, Maysie, this is a fantastic achievement and a reflection of your hard work.

Sixth Form: Ibtihaj I – Ibtihaj has truly gone above and beyond. Ibtihaj came into school on Friday 19th June to help clear classrooms and pack boxes, supported preparations for the Year 13 Leavers' Celebration, and continued offering his time and effort on Monday. His positive attitude has been outstanding.



Mrs Elbaz — Executive Principal

"Imagination is more important than knowledge. For knowledge is limited, whereas imagination embraces the entire world."

Albert Einstein

Upcoming events:

Year 7: Year 7 Assessments:

On Tuesday 30th June 2026, Year 7 students will complete their end of year assessments in Mathematics and English. These assessments are an important opportunity for students to demonstrate their progress and understanding across the academic year, and we strongly encourage all students to prepare thoroughly.

Assessments will take place during the normal school day and will begin promptly at **9:00am**. It is essential that students arrive at school on time, ready and settled so they can approach their assessments with confidence.

Students will have an early break between assessments, after which they will return to the hall to complete their second paper.

For the Mathematics assessment, students are permitted to bring a calculator, along with the usual essential equipment.

We wish all students the very best of luck and encourage them to approach these important assessments with a positive attitude and determination.

Year 8: Here are some important dates for Year 8:

Girls Rounders Tournament:

Date: Thursday 2nd July 2026

Time: 4:00pm – 5:30pm

Venue: Fernwood School

Well done to the 9 students selected to represent the school!

Second round fixture – best of luck to all involved!

Date: Thursday 9th July 2026

Time: 4:00pm – 5:30pm

Venue: Fernwood School

Alton Towers Trip:

Date: Friday 10th July 2026

Departure from school: 9:00am (All students to arrive for 8:30am)

Return: Approximately 6:00pm

Year 9: We are very much looking forward to our upcoming visit to Alton Towers. This is always a highlight of the year, giving students the opportunity to relax, have fun, and enjoy one of the UK's most iconic theme parks.

Year 9 Graduation Day & Awards Event:

Final nominations are now being prepared for our Year 9 Graduation and Awards Event. This special occasion will celebrate the achievements and success of our students who have excelled throughout the year.

Year 10: Looking ahead, PPE (Pre-Public Examinations) exams will continue next week, including speaking exams for languages. Students should make sure they are continuing to revise effectively at home, preparing key vocabulary and practising speaking where possible to build confidence ahead of their assessments. It is important that all students arrive on time, fully equipped, and ready to give their best effort in each exam. We know this can be a challenging period, but the resilience and determination shown so far has been excellent. Keep up the strong work ethic, support one another, and remember that every bit of effort now will make a difference to final outcomes.

Year 11: Here are some important dates for Year 11:

Alton Towers Trip:

Tuesday 30th June 2026

Departure from school: 9:00am (All students to arrive for 8:30am)

Return: Approximately 6:00pm

Year 11 Prom:

Thursday 9th July 2026

Venue: Colwick Hall

Time: Arrival from 6:15pm to 7:00pm

Finish: 10:30pm

Sixth Form: Here are some important dates for sixth form:

Wednesday 1st July 2026 – UCAS Fair – Lincoln University. All Year 12 students will visit Lincoln University to meet with a range of universities and gain further insight into Higher Education opportunities. Students will be leaving Sixth Form at 9:30am and returning for approx. 3pm.

Thursday 2nd July 2026 – London Trip.

Sixth Form students will enjoy a day in London, exploring the city's sights as part of an end of term celebration. Students will be leaving Sixth Form at 7am and returning at approx. 7.15pm

Hot Weather Warning!

We are aware that there have been a number of deaths of children and young people during these hot periods of weather due to swimming in the sea, lakes, lochs, rivers, canals and reservoirs. These environments can present severe and unpredictable dangers, and we strongly advise that they are avoided completely. Please find some further information below to share with your child if you feel this is appropriate to keep them safe:

[RoSPA- Open water swimming safety](#) | [RoSPA's guide for swimmers](#)