



Nottingham Academy Secondary

Weekly Bulletin—Friday 10/07/2026

Highlights of the week:

Year 7: This week, our Year 7 students enjoyed a fantastic visit to Wollaton Park for a day packed with sporting activities. Throughout the day, students took part in rounders, football, capture the flag, and a nature walk, embracing every challenge with enthusiasm and teamwork. We are incredibly proud of how well our students conducted themselves, demonstrating excellent behaviour, respect, and positivity throughout the visit. It was wonderful to see so many smiling faces, and the day was rounded off perfectly with a well-earned ice cream treat for everyone. The annual Alton Towers trip has certainly been one of the highlights of the year. Students had an amazing time enjoying the rides and attractions, creating lasting memories with their friends. The trip was a huge success, and many students are already looking forward to returning next year.

Year 8: The Alton Towers visit was a wonderful experience for everyone involved and was a fitting reward for a successful year. We would like to thank all staff who helped organise and supervise the trip, and of course, the students, whose outstanding behaviour made the day such a success. A fantastic day filled with fun, friendship and unforgettable memories! The trip provided students with a well-deserved opportunity to enjoy the end of the academic year with friends, while also demonstrating the excellent behaviour and positive attitudes that they have shown throughout the year. From thrilling rollercoasters and exciting attractions to making lasting memories with their peers, students embraced every moment of the day.

Year 9: Alton Towers has undoubtedly been the highlight of the week. This trip has been highly anticipated throughout the year and provided a fantastic experience for students as we move into the final few weeks of the academic year. It was wonderful to see students enjoying themselves and creating lasting memories with their peers.

Year 10: This week, 35 of our Year 10 students have been taking part in work experience placements across a wide range of industries, including primary schools, construction companies, pharmacies and office environments. We have already received a number of positive reports from employers, who have commented on the students' professionalism, enthusiasm and excellent attitude. Alongside their placements, all Year 10 students completed an Online Work Experience Day, which focused on developing CVs, employability skills and professional workplace behaviours. Students also enjoyed a Work Insight Visit to the Theatre Royal and Concert Hall, where they learned about the many career opportunities available behind the scenes in the arts and entertainment sector.

Sixth Form: This week, students have been completing work experience placements both in person and remotely. These opportunities have helped them develop employability skills, gain valuable insight into different careers, and build confidence as they plan their next steps after Sixth Form.

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.

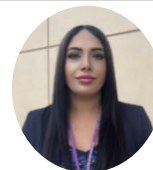
Year 7: Maram A - Maram has earned an incredible 460 House Points for Rufford House through consistently excellent behaviour, positive contributions, and outstanding effort. Maram is a wonderful role model for her peers, regularly showing maturity, resilience, and a positive attitude in everything, she does. Being our star student, she would not come across as unsupportive to anyone and we would like to take this opportunity to highlight her dedication, kindness, and willingness to go above and beyond expectations.

Year 8: Tutor Captains - From the "Drop-Down Day" on Thursday 9th July, this week's Star Students are those who were nominated as "Tutor Captains" who demonstrated outstanding leadership throughout the event. They showed responsibility, maturity and excellent organisational skills while guiding students around the school for the day. Our tutor captains led by example, encouraged participation, supported their peers and contributed significantly to the success of the programme. Well done to you all!

Year 9: A special shout out to our budding actors for their fantastic performance at the Theatre Royal on behalf of the Royal Shakespeare Company. We are incredibly proud of their hard work, dedication, and talent. You were all simply amazing and we are very proud of you.

Year 10: Kavel - Kavel completed his work experience supporting our Year 6 Transition Day. Kavel was outstanding throughout the day and received praise from a number of staff members for the way he conducted himself. He was particularly helpful in supporting Year 6 pupils who were feeling nervous or emotional about starting secondary school, showing great maturity, kindness and confidence. His positive attitude and willingness to help meant that he really shone, and he made a significant contribution to ensuring the day was a success.

Sixth Form: Mateya G - Mateya has secured one of only 10 places nationwide on a prestigious Cabinet Office work experience programme. As part of the opportunity, Mateya will gain first-hand insight into government and public service, including a visit to 10 Downing Street. A fantastic achievement as she prepares to study Politics and Philosophy at the University of Nottingham. Well, done, Mateya!



Mrs Elbaz — Executive Principal

"Follow effective action with quiet reflection. From the quiet reflection will come even more effective action"

Peter Drucker

Upcoming events:

Year 7: Key Dates:

Friday 17th July 2026 - Sports Day:

- Please ensure your child wears a hat, has a water bottle and sun cream if the weather is still hot.

Monday 20th July 2026 - Year 7 Celebration Assembly:

- A joyful assembly celebrating all the wonderful things our Year 7 students have achieved this year before they begin Year 8 in September.

Thursday 23rd July 2026 - Culture Day:

- Celebrating our diverse student and staff body, students can attend in their cultural clothing

Year 8: Key Dates:

Wednesday 22nd July 2026: Year 8 End of Term Celebration Assembly.

- This is a fulfilled, exciting assembly celebrating the outstanding achievements that our Year 8 students have achieved this year.

Thursday 23rd July 2026: Culture Day.

- A truly amazing day seeing our students wear their traditional dresswear, the colours are wonderful and the atmosphere is full of laughter, joy and fun. All cultures come together as one on this special day which is a pure delight to be part of.

Year 9: We are now gearing up for our Year 9 Graduation next Wednesday 15th July 2026. We have a special assembly planned, along with photographs, fun activities, and games on the day. It promises to be a fantastic opportunity to celebrate the achievements and successes of our Year 9 students as they prepare for the next stage of their journey.

Year 10: We have more exciting career-related opportunities planned over the coming weeks. Students will be taking part in additional Work Insight Visits to Nottingham Central Library and the Nottingham Contemporary, where they will gain a greater understanding of the wide variety of careers available within these organisations. We are also looking forward to our Year 10 Reward Trip to Alton Towers on Friday 17th July 2026, where 130 students will enjoy a well-deserved day celebrating their hard work, commitment and achievements throughout the year.

Sixth Form: Week commencing Monday 13th July 2026 - Futures Week for Year 12 students. Throughout the week, students will take part in a range of workshops, activities delivered by external providers, helping them develop key skills, explore career and higher education pathways, and make informed decisions about their future.

Monday 13th July 2026: PPE Results Assembly.

Year 12 students will receive their end of year report, including PPE results, Attitude to Learning scores, and teacher-predicted grades. Please ask your son/daughter to share their report with you.

School Information

A polite reminder that students break up for their summer holidays on:

Thursday, July 23rd 2026 at 3:05pm.

School re-opens on:

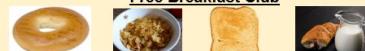
Friday, September 4th 2026 at 8:30am (8:00am for breakfast club)

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](#)

Free Breakfast Club



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**