

17 September 2026

Dear Parent/ Guardian,

It is a pleasure to welcome your son/daughter back to Sixth Form as they begin Year 13. This is an important and exciting year that will pass quickly.

Over the coming months, we will support and guide students as they explore their options and prepare for their next steps after Sixth Form, whether that be university, apprenticeships, employment, or other pathways. They will receive advice and support from their subject teachers, tutors, and the Sixth Form team throughout the process. However, the encouragement and guidance provided by parents and carers is equally important and plays a vital role in helping students make informed decisions about their future.

### Arbor App.

This App provides access to your son/daughter's timetable, attendance records, and feedback from staff, both positive and negative. If you haven't received instructions on how to access the app, please contact us at [admin@nottinghamacademy.org](mailto:admin@nottinghamacademy.org), including your preferred email address.

### Important dates:

For your information, please also be aware of our internal examination dates for this academic year and the progress evening you will be invited to.

**Year 13 Pre-Public Examinations (PPE's) begin:** 12<sup>th</sup> October 2026 and continue until Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2026

## Year 13 PPE1 Timetable

| Date                   | 9AM                                                                                  | 1PM                                                                     |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Monday 12th October    | A level PE- Paper 1 (2 hours)<br><b>Sport Unit 3 (1 hour)</b>                        | <b>Children's Care Unit 1 (1 hour)</b>                                  |
| Tuesday 13th October   | A level Physics Paper 1 (2 hours)<br>A level History Paper 1 (2 hours 30 mins)       | Chemistry Paper 1 (2 hours)<br>Psychology Paper 1 (2 hours)             |
| Wednesday 14th October | A level Maths Paper 1 (2 hours)<br>Sociology Paper 1 (2 hours)                       | <b>Criminology- Unit 4</b>                                              |
| Thursday 15th October  |                                                                                      | Biology Paper 1 (2 hours)                                               |
| Friday 16th October    | <b>Half Term Holiday</b>                                                             |                                                                         |
| Monday 2nd November    | A level PE- Paper 2 (2 hours)                                                        |                                                                         |
| Tuesday 3rd November   | A level Physics Paper 2 (1 hour 30mins)<br>A level History Paper 2 (2 hours 30 mins) | Chemistry Paper 2 (1 hour 30 mins)<br>Psychology Paper 2 (1 hr 30 mins) |
| Wednesday 4th November | A level Maths Paper 2 (2 hours)<br>Sociology paper 2 (1 hour 30mins)                 | <b>IT (1 hour)</b>                                                      |
| Thursday 5th November  |                                                                                      | Biology Paper 2 (1hour 30 mins)                                         |
| Friday 6th November    | <b>Heath and Social Care FO91 (1 hour 45mins)</b>                                    |                                                                         |

**Year 13 Progress Day – 17<sup>th</sup> March 2027:** A date for your diary and more information to follow.

## Subject Support

To support your son/daughter, Compulsory and Aspirational Intervention sessions will begin next week. All students will receive a new timetable.

**Compulsory:** Students are required to attend these sessions because they are currently below their target grade in your subject.

**Aspirational:** Students are encouraged to attend these sessions to help them remain on track, consolidate their learning, or exceed their target grades.

## P6 Academic Sessions

| Subject          | Day                | Room | Staff    | Intervention Type:        |
|------------------|--------------------|------|----------|---------------------------|
| Biology          | Tuesday            | B135 | TAR/ CHR | Compulsory & Aspirational |
| Chemistry        | Monday             | B140 | FYU/ EOK | Compulsory & Aspirational |
| Physics          | Thursday           | B167 | MKO      | Compulsory & Aspirational |
| Sociology        | <b>Thursday P1</b> | A44  | TBR      | Compulsory & Aspirational |
| <u>Maths</u>     | Wednesday          | B24  | SMW      | Compulsory & Aspirational |
| Art/ Photography | Tuesday            | B115 | BMA      | Aspirational              |
| Psychology       | Friday             | A47  | LSM      | Aspirational              |

## P6 Vocational Sessions

| Subject                | Day      | Room | Staff | Intervention Type         |
|------------------------|----------|------|-------|---------------------------|
| Sport                  | Tuesday  | A37  | RBE   | Compulsory & Aspirational |
| Health and Social Care | Thursday | A44  | TBR   | Compulsory & Aspirational |
| Childcare              | Friday   | A44  | TBR   | Compulsory & Aspirational |
| Criminology            | Tuesday  | A43  | HGR   | Compulsory & Aspirational |
| IT                     | Tuesday  | A179 | UHU   | Compulsory & Aspirational |

## 16-19 Bursary

Last week we advertised the 16-19 Bursary. This is a Government Bursary to support young people who stay in further education or training with education-related costs, such as transport to school, books, or equipment. Your son/daughter will be eligible if your household income is under £30,000 or/and if they receive Free School Meals.

All students have received the link to apply on their student Teams Channel. The deadline for applications is 25<sup>th</sup> September 2026. If students received the bursary last year and circumstances have not changed, then they can complete the self declaration form on the student Teams Channel instead.

Finally, I would like to assure you that the Sixth Form Team are here to support your son/daughter and are all happy to answer any concerns or questions you may have.

You can contact the team on [NAC-sixthformadmin@nottinghamacademy.org](mailto:NAC-sixthformadmin@nottinghamacademy.org) or calling 0115 7483380 / 07900914916

Additionally, if you have a specific concern at any time during the academic year, please contact the relevant member of the Sixth Form:

Ms Beldham 'Standards & Progress Leader' ([kbeldham@nottinghamacademy.org](mailto:kbeldham@nottinghamacademy.org)) If you have any concerns or questions about academic matters

Ms Todd 'Deputy Head – UCAS/Pastoral Support' ([dtodd@nottinghamacademy.org](mailto:dtodd@nottinghamacademy.org))

For any other concerns please don't hesitate to contact me on [smerrill@nottinghamacademy.org](mailto:smerrill@nottinghamacademy.org).

Yours sincerely,

Ms Merrill  
Head of Sixth Form