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Nottingham Academy Secondary
Weekly Bulletin—Friday 11/09/2026

Highlights of the week:

Year 7: It has been fantastic to see our Year 7 students embrace the exciting transition to secondary school. Their enthusiasm, positivity and willingness to get involved has been wonderful to witness. Students have already begun enjoying a range of new subjects, building friendships and settling into school life with confidence. We are incredibly proud of the excellent start they have made and look forward to supporting them throughout the year.

Year 8: It has been wonderful to welcome our Year 8 students back after the summer break. They have settled exceptionally well into our new site, showing maturity, resilience and a positive attitude throughout their return to school. We have been particularly impressed with the excellent standards of uniform and engagement in learning across the year group. Their positive start has set the tone for what promises to be an exciting and successful year ahead.
We are looking forward to the opportunities that this academic year will bring and encourage students to keep an eye out for the wide range of new extracurricular activities that will be available over the coming weeks.

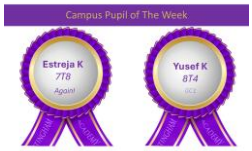
Year 9: It has been an absolute pleasure welcoming our Year 9 students back after the summer break. The start of a new academic year is always exciting, but this year's cohort have truly impressed staff with their maturity, presentation, and positive attitudes. Across the school, Year 9 students have returned looking smart, professional, and ready to embrace the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead.
As Head of Year, I could not be prouder of the way students have conducted themselves during the first week. The positivity, resilience, and determination shown by so many students has set a fantastic standard for the rest of the year.

Year 10: It has been fantastic to welcome our students back and see them return as more mature and confident Year 10 students. What has been especially pleasing is the enthusiasm and enjoyment they have shown in reconnecting with their friends and, to some extent, their teachers as well! It has been truly wonderful to witness.
We have also achieved an incredible milestone, with four consecutive days of zero detentions issued. This is an unprecedented achievement and reflects the positive start our students have made to the new academic year.

Year 11: It has been fantastic to welcome our Year 11 students back to school. We missed them over the summer and have been delighted to see them return with such positivity, enthusiasm and determination. An incredible 139 students attended Maths Intervention on the very first evening, demonstrating a strong commitment to their success this year and setting a positive tone for the months ahead.

Sixth Form: It has been fantastic to meet our new Year 12 students and to welcome Year 13 students back to Sixth Form following the summer break. Everyone has been enjoying our new Sixth Form Hub, and the building has been full of energy, enthusiasm and positivity as students have settled into their studies.

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



STUDENTS RISING ABOVE

Student Stars of the past week

Well done! You will be entered for the 10 X £50 'Good Citizen' Raffle each Term.

Year 7: Dilah S - Dilah has made an exceptional start to life at secondary school. She has impressed her teachers with her positive attitude, commitment to learning and excellent conduct. Dilah has already earned a significant number of positive points and has consistently demonstrated kindness, respect and consideration towards her peers. She is a fantastic role model for the Year 7 cohort, and we are delighted to recognise her achievements this week. Congratulations, Dilah!

Year 8: Harley – Harley is our first Star Student of the Week in recognition of the outstanding maturity, kindness and responsibility he demonstrated during an emergency situation at the end of the last academic year. Harley remained calm under pressure, provided excellent support to his friend and was a tremendous help to members of staff throughout the incident. His actions reflected our school values perfectly and showed a level of maturity beyond his years.

Year 9: Sammi F and Anaiah Joy O - Both students have made an exceptional start to Year 9 and have shown a real commitment to starting the year positively.
Whilst last year presented some challenges at times, both students have returned after the summer break with a fresh mindset and a determination to succeed. From the very first day back, they have consistently demonstrated excellent punctuality, outstanding attitudes towards learning, and have represented the year group brilliantly.

Year 10: Leon – Leon has been our standout student during the first few days of term, accumulating the highest number of achievement points. He has continued the excellent momentum from Year 9 and has started the academic year with real enthusiasm and determination. Congratulations, Leon, and keep up the fantastic work!

Year 11: Ashleigh and Imogen - Both students deserve recognition this week for making a highly positive start to Year 11. Their excellent attitude, commitment to their studies and improving their attendance has been great to see.

Sixth Form: Aneeqa R – Aneeqa has made an excellent start to Year 13, making full use of the new study room and showing real dedication to their studies. A great role model to the new Year 12 students.



Mrs Elbaz — Executive Principal

"Everything is a learning process. Anytime you fall over, it's just teaching you to stand up the next time."

Joel Edgerton

Upcoming events:

Year 7: Meet the Tutor Evening - Thursday 24th September 2026.
We look forward to welcoming parents and carers to our Meet the Tutor Evening. This event will provide an opportunity to meet your child's tutor, discuss how they have settled into secondary school and learn more about the year ahead. Further details regarding timings and venue arrangements will be shared shortly.

Year 8: Year 8 Assessment Point 1 – W/C Monday 5th October 2026.
This will be the first of three formal assessment periods for the year group. Information for the assessments will be given in upcoming weeks. All students will be provided with their half-termly Year 8 Sticky Knowledge booklets next week.

Year 9: Upcoming Dates & Opportunities:
Monday 14th September 2026 3:10pm - 4:10pm - All Year 9 boys involved in football are encouraged to attend training after school.

Thursday 17th September Emmanuel School 4:00pm - 5:30pm - The Year 9 football team will be representing the school in the first round of the local tournament at Emmanuel School. We wish all our players the very best of luck.

Thursday 24th September 2026 Emmanuel School 4:00pm - 5:30pm - Following the initial tournament fixtures, the team will return to Emmanuel School for Round 2 of the competition. We encourage all selected players to maintain high standards both on and off the field and continue representing the school positively.

Year 9 Focus for This Half Term
Over the coming weeks, we will be focusing on:

- Excellent attendance and punctuality.
- High standards of uniform and presentation.
- Positive behaviour and respectful conduct.
- Strong effort in lessons and home learning.
- Developing leadership and responsibility across the year group.

Everyday counts, and the habits students build now will play an important role in their success throughout Year 9 and beyond.

Year 10: Our Intu University trips will begin next week, providing students with valuable opportunities to explore higher education pathways and future aspirations. Looking ahead to January 2027, our Year 10 students will participate in work experience placements. This is a highly valuable opportunity for them to gain first-hand experience of the workplace and develop skills that will benefit them throughout their lives.

Year 11: Intervention sessions have now started and run during Period 6 from 3:05pm to 4:05pm each week, the subject days are:
Science on Mondays
Open Faculty on Tuesdays
Maths on Wednesdays
English on Thursdays
EBACC on Fridays

Selected students have also been invited to attend these intervention masterclasses. Communications have been sent home to all students who have been selected to attend. Alongside this, further opportunities are available for aspirational students who wish to push themselves even further and maximise their potential this year.

Sixth Form: Monday 14th September 2026 - Intu University will be delivering a presentation to our Year 13 students on the value of extracurricular and super-curricular opportunities and how these can support their future university and career aspirations.

Whole School Information

Year 11 GCSE Revision Guides packs are available for a **£10 refundable deposit**. Deposits can be paid via **ParentPay from 1pm on Monday 14 September**. In cases of hardship, please contact our admin team and we will look to ensure you child receives a free pack.

All year groups students will be provided with their half-termly Sticky Knowledge booklets next week, to ensure they have the key information to support formal assessments.

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**

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