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Nottingham Academy Secondary
Weekly Bulletin—Friday 25/09/2026

Highlights of the week:

Year 7: Our Year 7 "Meet the Tutor" Evening was a tremendous success. It was wonderful to see such a fantastic turnout from parents and carers, with many positive and meaningful conversations taking place throughout the evening. The event provided an excellent opportunity for families to build relationships with tutors and gain further insight into their child's journey at Nottingham Academy. It was particularly pleasing to hear how many parents left feeling happy, reassured, and excited about their child's future with us.

Year 8: This week, our Year 8 students have shown a fantastic attitude towards preparing for their upcoming assessments. It has been great to see students engaging positively in lessons, revisiting key knowledge, completing revision tasks, and demonstrating resilience when faced with challenging work.
Then majority of students have taken responsibility for their learning by asking thoughtful questions, acting on feedback, and putting in extra effort to ensure they are assessment ready. Their determination and commitment have set a positive tone across the year group. Keep up the excellent work, Year 8. Your preparation now will help you achieve your very best in the weeks ahead!

Year 9: This week, 15 Year 9 boys represented Nottingham Academy in the Nottinghamshire Boys Mini Football League at Emmanuel Academy, competing against two other schools. The students have shown fantastic commitment over the last few weeks by attending training sessions and working hard to improve both individually and as a team. It was clear to see that the squad is beginning to get together, with excellent teamwork, communication and determination on display throughout the competition.
The experience was particularly important with two major fixtures approaching over the coming weeks. The team will soon be competing in both the National Cup and the County Cup, and this event provided valuable preparation ahead of those challenging matches.

Year 10: Year 10 students have continued to set an excellent example through their behaviour and attitude to learning since the start of the academic year. They have been a real pleasure to teach this term and have been a credit to both their families and our staff. A special congratulations and thank you goes to all the Year 10 students who helped at Open Evening on Thursday. They were outstanding role models and represented the school brilliantly.

Year 11: A huge congratulations to our Head Students, Daniel, Daniella and Sameia, who represented the school brilliantly at the Year 6 Open Evening. They delivered excellent speeches with confidence, maturity and enthusiasm, acting as fantastic ambassadors for our school. Their delivery was engaging and professional, and they made us all incredibly proud.

Sixth Form: It has been fantastic to hear our Year 13 students discussing their future during Wednesday tutor sessions. Each week, students are dedicating time to working on their UCAS personal statements and researching their next steps, preparing for life beyond sixth form.

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: Aminah K - Aminah has made an outstanding start to Year 7 and has quickly established herself as a fantastic role model within the year group. She currently has the highest number of positive points in Year 7, has maintained 100% attendance, and consistently approaches every day with a smile. Her enthusiasm for learning, positive attitude, and willingness to engage in all aspects of academy life have been truly exceptional. We are incredibly proud of her achievements so far and look forward to seeing her continue to thrive throughout the year.

Year 8: Dania A-S - Dania has made an exceptional start to the term, earning Golden Tickets in Spanish, Maths, Science, Geography and Performing Arts. Her success reflects the fantastic attitude she is bringing to school every day.
Dania is consistently prepared and ready to learn, always willing to help others in lessons, and demonstrates outstanding commitment through her excellent attendance.
A very well-deserved recognition. Keep up the fantastic work, Dania!

Year 9: A huge congratulations and thank you to our 18 Year 9 student helpers who supported our recent Year 6 Open Evening and Year 7 Meet the Tutor event.
These students gave up their time after school to help welcome prospective students and their families to Nottingham Academy. Their responsibilities included supporting with refreshments, assisting staff with a variety of tasks, and leading tours of the school site for parents and visitors. The feedback received about our Year 9 students was fantastic. They were polite, respectful, responsible and represented the year group brilliantly throughout the evening. Opportunities such as these showcase the maturity and leadership qualities that many of our students possess, and they should all be incredibly proud of themselves.

Year 10: Ashton T - Ashton has been the standout student during the first few weeks back, accumulating the highest number of achievement points. He has continued where he left off at the end of Year 9 and has started the academic year with great enthusiasm and determination. Well done, Ashton!

Year 11: Leo S - Leo has made a fantastic start to Year 11. Leo has demonstrated excellent behaviour, attendance and punctuality, while consistently putting maximum effort into his lessons. His hard work and positive attitude have been recognised through regularly achieving Golden Tickets. Keep up the excellent work, Leo!

Sixth Form: Anna A – Anna is currently undertaking a week of work experience at Queen's Medical Centre. This is an excellent opportunity for Anna to gain valuable first-hand insight into the medical world. Well done, Anna!



Mrs Elbaz — Executive Principal

"Persistence and resilience only come from having been given the chance to work through difficult problems."

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Upcoming events:

Year 7: Next week marks the beginning of our Year 7 football team's competitive journey as they take part in their first tournament on Monday evening. The squad will compete against three different schools, providing a fantastic opportunity to demonstrate their teamwork, determination, and sporting talent. Thirteen outstanding footballers have been selected to represent Nottingham Academy, and we are incredibly proud of their achievement. We wish the team the very best of luck and look forward to hearing about their successes. ⚽🎗

Year 8: Year 8 Assessments:
Year 8 assessments begin week commencing Monday 05 October 2026 to Friday 09 October 2026. The formal tests in English and Maths will take place on Friday 09 October 2026. Revision lessons will be arranged after school to allow your child to study and revise for these tests. See below for more details.

Year 9: Upcoming sporting events for Year 9:
Monday 28th September 2026: Year 9 Boys Football (Home Fixture) vs John Port Spencer
Monday 5th October 2026: Year 9 Boys National Cup Fixture
Monday 12th October 2026: Year 9 Boys County Cup Fixture

Thank you for your continued support of Year 9. It has been fantastic to see so many students demonstrating leadership, commitment and school pride both in and out of the classroom. We look forward to celebrating more successes with you over the coming weeks.

Year 10: Our Intu University trips will continue from next week, providing students with valuable insight into higher education opportunities.
Looking ahead, we will be beginning our launch events for the winter ball. Canvassing students for ideas and suggestions to make it even bigger than last years.

Year 11: Year 11 PPE's (Pre-Public Examinations) will begin on Monday 12th October 2026 and will continue during the week commencing Monday 2nd November 2026, with half term in between. School will be open during the holiday period to provide revision and intervention sessions, giving students valuable opportunities to prepare. We strongly encourage all Year 11 students to make the most of these sessions in the run-up to the exams. The results achieved in these assessments are incredibly important, as they will form part of the information used on sixth form and college applications and will help shape post-16 opportunities. Now is the time to build positive revision habits and make every school day and every intervention session count.

Sixth Form: Our compulsory and aspirational Period 6 sessions are now underway, and students have received updated timetables showing when these sessions take place.
The Year 13 PPE's (Pre-Public Examinations) commence from Tuesday 13th October 2026 – Friday 6th November 2026.

Whole School Information

Year 8 Assessments - Friday 9 October 2026

These assessments are intended to help students become familiar with exam routines and procedures, while also developing effective revision habits ahead of future examinations. Students will be supported through preparation lessons, after-school revision opportunities and clear guidance on the content that will be assessed.

We encourage students to take these assessments seriously and do their very best. However, parents should be reassured that the main purpose is to help teachers identify how well students are understanding the curriculum and where any additional support may be needed. There is no need for undue stress, and we encourage students to approach the assessments with confidence.

Parent Information

A reminder to access the Nottingham Academy Parent Padlet site with lots of useful websites and articles to support your child to be happier, healthier and more informed.

https://padlet.com/nottinghamacademy/parentpadlet

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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