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Nottingham Academy Secondary
Weekly Bulletin—Friday 02/10/2026

Highlights of the week:

Year 7: It has been another fantastic week of extracurricular success for Year 7 students. Our Year 7 football team played their first set of fixtures, scoring three goals across three games, drawing two matches and narrowly losing one. The team will face the same opposition again next week, and we wish them the very best of luck. It was also brilliant to see 25 students attend football training this week, demonstrating excellent commitment and enthusiasm. We have also created over 30 passes for lunchtime clubs, including Chess Club, Flag Football and the Library Club. It is fantastic to see so many students taking advantage of these opportunities and becoming involved in school life.

Year 8: A huge congratulations to our Year 8 Girls' Football Team on their amazing success in their away fixture this week. The girls demonstrated great determination, resilience and teamwork throughout the match, never giving up and supporting each other from start to finish. Their hard work and positive attitude paid off with a well-deserved victory. We are incredibly proud of the commitment and spirit you showed while representing the school. Keep up the excellent work!

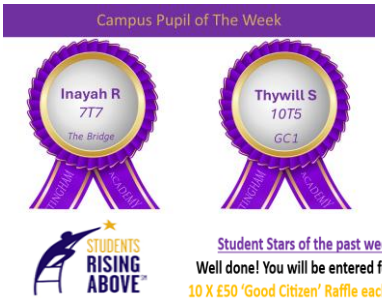
Year 9: This week, Nottingham Academy's Year 9 football team proudly represented the school in the National Cup against John Port Spencer.
Although the result did not go our way, the boys should be extremely proud of their efforts. We came up against a very strong and experienced side who have likely played more competitive fixtures together than our team. Despite the challenge, our students demonstrated resilience, determination, and excellent attitudes throughout the match.
What was particularly pleasing to see was the team's response in the second half. The boys continued to work hard, support one another, and never stopped trying. In many ways, the second-half performance showed significant improvement and highlighted the character within the group. Thank you to those who came to show their support.

Year 10: School Photos took place this week and, as always, it was an exciting event for students. Many made a special effort for their photographs, and it was great to see so many smiling faces throughout the day.
A special mention also goes to the Year 10 boys' football team, who enjoyed a successful week on the pitch. Across three matches, they secured one win and two draws without conceding a single goal. A fantastic start to the season. Well done, boys!

Year 11: Our Year 11 Hospitality and Catering students have been busy preparing their assessment dishes, and the results have been incredible. The Year 11 team enjoyed tasting a wide variety of exciting foods, including Caribbean patties, ribeye steaks, biryanis, cakes, and many other creative dishes. It has been wonderful to see the students developing their practical skills and showcasing the hard work they have put into their assessments.

Sixth Form: On Monday, we launched our Sixth Form Enrichment Programme. We expect all Year 12 students to take on a role, such as Student Ambassador, Peer Mentor, Activities Leader or Extracurricular Assistant. These opportunities are designed to help students develop valuable skills, build confidence and make a positive contribution to our school community.

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



Year 7: Mariyam A and Raiana A - Mariyam and Raiana have both made an exceptional start to Year 7. They are consistently helpful, act as excellent ambassadors for the year group, maintain 100% attendance and have accumulated an impressive number of positive points. Their positive attitudes and commitment to school have not gone unnoticed.
Well done, girls. Keep up the fantastic work!

Year 8: Amelia - Since the start of Year 8, Amelia has made a significant improvement in her conduct around school and has shown a mature and positive attitude each day.
Her hard work and commitment have been recognised with Golden Tickets in English, Art, Drama and Maths, reflecting the excellent effort she is putting into her learning across a range of subjects this year. Keep it up Amelia

Year 9: Charlie D and Ollie R - Both students have shown outstanding commitment to the year group through their positive attitude, exemplary behaviour, and dedication to school life. They have been incredibly enthusiastic about the upcoming Norway Trip and continue to be excellent ambassadors for Year 9. Well done both!

Year 10: Scarlett W - for her outstanding artwork. We were incredibly impressed by the level of detail, creativity, and dedication shown in her piece. The time and effort invested in producing such high-quality work was clear to see. Congratulations, Scarlett!

Year 11: Sidney B - Sidney has been a fantastic role model this week. During tutor time History intervention sessions, she has willingly given up her time to support and help other students with their learning. Her kindness, patience, and willingness to assist others demonstrates excellent teamwork and a positive attitude. Well done, Sidney!

Sixth Form: Lily-May S and Aneeqa R - Both these students have worked hard on their university applications and written outstanding personal statements where their thoughtful reflection, ambition and dedication have shone through. We wish them both every success for their future.



Mrs Elbaz — Executive Principal

"Life doesn't get easier or more forgiving; we get stronger and more resilient"

Steve Maraboli

Upcoming events:

Year 7: We are excited to welcome a visiting band to school for a special performance across two lessons. Students will have the opportunity to enjoy a live music performance, followed by a question-and-answer session where the band will discuss their musical journey and experiences.

Year 8: Year 8 Assessment Window
Students will be completing their assessments during the week of Monday 5th October to Friday 9th October. This is an important opportunity for students to demonstrate the progress they have made so far this year.
Maths and English Assessments:

- Friday 10th October
- Period 1: English
- Period 2: Maths

Both assessments will take place in the Sports Hall.
We encourage all students to ensure they are well prepared, attend school every day, and bring the equipment they need. Good luck to all Year 8 students as they approach their assessments!

Year 9: Key Dates for Year 9:

- Norway Trip Information Updates - To be shared with students and parents shortly
- Year 9 Football Fixtures - Monday 5th October 2026 at home Vs Chilwell in County Cup: 3.15pm Kick Off!

Year 10: Our theatre trip to see "*Mean Girls*" in Nottingham is fast approaching. Please ensure that permission slips are returned as soon as possible to secure your place.

Year 11: PPE (Pre-Public Examinations) – Commence on Monday 12th October 2026. Students should ensure they are revising regularly and making the most of the intervention sessions available after school. These sessions provide valuable support and guidance and are a great opportunity to strengthen knowledge and build confidence ahead of the exams. We encourage all students to attend and prepare as thoroughly as possible.

Sixth Form: Paired Reading:
Tuesday 6th October 2026 - Our Year 12 students will receive Paired Reading training, equipping them with the skills and confidence to support younger students with their reading and literacy development.

Friday 9th October 2026 - Our Paired Reading Programme begins. Every Year 12 student will be paired with a Year 7 student and will spend 15 minutes each Friday morning listening to them read. This rewarding initiative helps younger students develop literacy skills and confidence while allowing our sixth formers to make a meaningful difference.

Whole School Information

Rippon Road Exit

Due to congestion at the end of the day, we will open an additional gate on Ripon Road for students to EXIT at the end of the day only.
If you pick up your child, we advise using this Ripon Road exit as it is easier to access both on foot and in the car.

School V Neck Jumpers

From Monday 05 October 2026, with the colder weather, all pupils Years 7-11 will be allowed to wear an additional layer of a **plain black v neck, knitted jumper** under their blazer. The blazer is compulsory. The jumper is NOT a substitute. Coats should be worn over the blazer.
All pupils should now have the designated year team tie at this stage in the academic year. If this is not the case, please resolve over the 2 weeks' half term holiday.

Students arriving late to school from 9:00am – 09:30am

From Monday 05 October 2026, any student arriving late to school from 9:00am – 09:30am will **enter via the Bridge Reception** (Old Primary) entrance at the front of school. Students arriving after 09:30am to enter via the main Greenwood reception.

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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