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Dear parents and carers,

I hope you have all been safe and well and have managed to enjoy the recent hot weather.

Updates from this week:

"Catch me being good" cards and rewards:

As mentioned last week, we have been focusing on noticing the positive choices students make.

The vast majority of our NUSA students make positive choices all of the time and we want to make sure they are acknowledged, celebrated and rewarded.

It has been an absolute pleasure to reward so many students that are considerate, polite and respectful in responding to advice and instructions from any staff member.

Please do ask your child how they have been getting on and to show you how many stickers they have on their "Catch me being good" card.

The Parent and Carers Survey remains open.

We kindly ask for you to take a few minutes to complete a brief parent and carer survey by using the link below:

https://edurio.com/teacher/poll/58DucB

Your input is very important to us and will be an opportunity for us to gain meaningful feedback so that we can work together to make NUSA the best experience for our students. Thank you to all the parents and carers that have already responded.

Plans for the weeks ahead:

Assemblies

Next week I will be speaking again to all students in assembly. At NUSA, we care deeply about people that our students are becoming. We wish every success for them academically and in every other aspect of their lives. As a result, we have a strong commitment to the personal development and character education of our students. We hope to encourage them to have bold dreams and ambitions and to develop the confidence and personal attributes to achieve their aims.





"Catch me being good" cards and rewards:

In the weeks to come, we will be rewarding punctuality to lessons and clarifying our uniform expectations.

Final day of term (reminder)

We have now entered the final two weeks of this academic year, with the last day of term fast approaching. The final day of term is **Friday 25th July 2025**, and the school day will be finished at 12:15pm on this day.

The schedule for the final day is as follows:

- Tutor time, Period 1 and Period 2 will run as usual
- Period 3 will be a rewards assembly and at 12:15pm students will be dismissed through the usual exit, accompanied by staff.
- Grab-and-go lunches will be provided for students eligible for Free School Meals.

With gratitude,

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Carl Elder Headteacher Nottingham University Samworth Academy



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This year's theme is **Story Garden**, where imagination blossoms and stories grow! Children will explore creativity, storytelling, and the magic of books through exciting activities and adventures.

Why Join?

- It's FREE! Available at local libraries and online
- Inspires a lifelong love of reading
- Boosts confidence, creativity, and imagination
- Earn rewards, certificates, and prizes
- · Fun for the whole family. Visit your local library together
- 95% of children said they read more after joining!
- Children choose their own books to read over the summer, collect rewards for each milestone they reach, and receive a certificate or medal when they complete the challenge.

Visit your local library or go online at summerreadingchallenge.org.uk to get started from 5 July 2025.

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