



Nottingham Trent
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NTU Outreach opportunities for Nottingham and Nottinghamshire schools 2024-25

Centre for Student and
Community Engagement

Nottingham Trent University are pleased to present our outreach offer to you. This document outlines the learner journey from primary to secondary school and is designed for you to display it on your wall and easily share with your colleagues.

NTU is committed to social mobility. Our outreach programmes are underpinned by research and evaluation. NTU findings indicate that pupils who participate in multiple outreach activities are more likely to apply to, and progress in higher education. We prioritise working with Free School Meals (FSM) cohorts because of the considerable gap in higher education participation rates between pupils who are eligible and those who are not. Our work is targeted within Nottingham City and Nottinghamshire, predominantly in areas with lower progression to higher education.

NTU is required by the Office for Students (OfS) to regularly report our progress. To help us measure the impact of our activities, we appreciate your support in collecting data from pupils and parents/carers.

We look forward to working with you, **Laura Bates**

**Widening Access and
Outreach Team Manager**





Data information

Why do we collect pupil data?

NTU is required by our regulator the OfS to promote widening participation and regularly report our progress. By collecting and tracking pupil data through the Higher Education Access Tracker (HEAT), we can monitor the impact of our outreach activities.

What data is collected?

The data collected includes parents/carers and pupil details. There is an option to select 'prefer not to say' to some questions.

**For more information
on data collection,
scan the QR code.**



How is data collected?

Before delivering any outreach activities we will ask schools to share data information forms with parents/carers to complete. This can be done digitally or using paper forms. NTU staff may also collect a register at the start of activities. This will include pupils' names and postcode so we can then identify if a pupil has an existing record on the HEAT database.

How is data stored?

Nottingham Trent University is compliant with GDPR. All data information forms and registers will be securely stored until the end of the academic year plus one year, then securely destroyed.

The role of the school in data collection

We appreciate your support to distribute and return completed data information forms. Schools must ensure any completed paper forms are returned to NTU staff on the day of the activities.



“It’s helpful to start thinking about your future and realising you need to find out what courses you need for a certain career”

Year 10 pupil, All Saints Academy

Primary Programme overview

The primary outreach programme introduces pupils to the concept of university. Pupils will develop key vocabulary linked to university and gain an understanding of the journey from primary school through to higher education. All our primary activities involve NTU students to answer pupils' questions. Outreach is most effective when it is sustained and progressive, so we'd love to see your pupils every year.

Year 5 Discovering university workshop

- 🕒 1-hour 📍 In-school
- 👥 All classes

This workshop introduces the concept and purpose of university. Pupils can discuss course options and find out about what university students can get involved in outside of lessons. NTU students will be available to answer questions.



Year 6 Future steps workshop

- 🕒 1-hour 📍 In-school
- 👥 All classes

This workshop challenges myths about university and supports pupils to discuss the transition between primary and secondary school, and how they can embrace these changes. NTU students will be available to answer questions.

Year 6 Campus visit

- 🕒 4-hours 📍 Clifton Campus 📅 June or July
- 👥 Please prioritise FSM pupils, 60 max per visit

Pupils will have an immersive, interactive experience to develop their knowledge of university, visualise their transition to secondary school and interact with NTU students. NTU can contribute 50% towards your transport costs and provide you with all the information you require in the lead up to your visit.

Booking deadline: May



Secondary Programme overview

For 2024-25 we have a new format for our secondary outreach programme that we are excited to share with you. We now have the option for you to book assemblies for all pupils in years 7-11. All assemblies are followed by a workshop exclusively for your Free School Meal (FSM) pupils. These workshops will develop and build on the knowledge gained in the assembly. All assemblies must be delivered prior to the follow-on workshops.

The programme will provide pupils with an opportunity to access information about higher education and explore the journey from secondary school to university. Pupils will look at the skills needed for progression into post-16 learning and consider future education pathways. Outreach is most effective when it is sustained and progressive, so we'd love to see your pupils every year.

Year 7 Moving on up

- 🕒 20-minutes 📍 In-school
- 👥 Whole year

This assembly introduces the journey through secondary school to Higher Education. It will go through key aspects of higher education through an interactive quiz.

Gatsby Benchmarks: 2, 3, 4, 7

Year 8 Myths about higher education

- 🕒 20-minutes 📍 In-school
- 👥 Whole year

This assembly focuses on some of the common myths that surround higher education and goes into more depth about the societies that we have on offer at NTU for students.

Gatsby Benchmarks: 2, 3, 4

Year 7 Moving on up workshop

- 🕒 1-hour 📍 In-school
- 👥 All FSM pupils, 30 per workshop

This workshop is designed to identify key aspects of university. We will reflect on the transition from primary to secondary school and consider the transferable skills they have from this experience. Pupils will then discover NTU facilities and opportunities. NTU students will be available to answer questions.

Gatsby Benchmarks: 2, 3, 4, 7



Year 8 Myths about higher education workshop

- 🕒 1-hour 📍 In-school
- 👥 All FSM pupils, 30 per workshop

This workshop gives pupils the chance to investigate the realities of university. We discuss some of the courses that we have available at NTU and pupils have an opportunity to create their own society. NTU students will be available to answer questions.

Gatsby Benchmarks 2, 3, 7

Year 8 Campus visit

- 🕒 4-hours 📍 NTU City Campus
- 👥 Please prioritise FSM pupils, 60 max per visit
- 📅 June or July

Pupils will explore university life through an interactive campus visit. With the support of NTU students, pupils will develop their communication and teamwork skills and think about their future education journey.

NTU can **contribute 50%** towards your transport costs and provide you with all the information you require in the lead up to your visit.

Booking deadline: May

Gatsby Benchmarks 1, 7



Year 11 Looking ahead

- 🕒 20-minutes 📍 In-school 👥 Whole year group
- 📅 Term 1 and 2 only (before Easter break)

This assembly focuses on how GCSEs are the first step towards the future. We ask the pupils to reflect on their commitment to succeeding and offer tips to maximise their GCSE attainment. Content supports school messaging about the importance of GCSEs and encourages pupils to access support.

Gatsby Benchmark: 4,7

Year 11 Looking ahead workshop

- 🕒 1-hour 📍 In-school
- 👥 All FSM pupils, 30 per workshop
- 📅 Term 1 and 2 only (before Easter break)

This workshop shows alternative routes into careers but also focuses on the benefits of going to university. We discuss some of the available courses and go into more depth about student finance. NTU students will be available to answer questions.

Gatsby Benchmark: 4, 7

Year 10 Your future, your choice workshop

- 🕒 1-hour 📍 In-school
- 👥 All FSM pupils, 30 per workshop

This workshop is a deeper dive into the differences between post-16 options; sixth form, college and apprenticeships. There will be activities to support pupils in identifying their preferred post-16 options for the future. NTU students will be available to answer questions.

Gatsby Benchmarks: 2, 7

Year 10 Your future, your choice

- 🕒 20-minutes 📍 In-school
- 👥 Whole year

This assembly discusses further education options that are available to pupils. There will be added input from student case studies and reflective questions to support pupil decision making.

Gatsby Benchmarks: 2, 7



Year 9 Your skills, your future

- 🕒 20-minutes 📍 In-school
- 👥 Whole year group

This assembly focuses on exploring educational choices post GCSEs. We introduce pupils to the skills needed for their future such as employment and higher education.

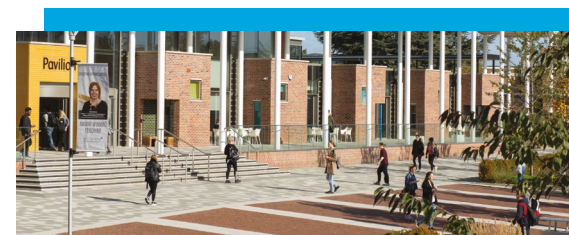
Gatsby Benchmarks: 3, 4, 7

Year 9 Your skills, your future workshop

- 🕒 1-hour 📍 In-school
- 👥 All FSM pupils, 30 per workshop

This workshop is a deeper dive into the skills required for success. Pupils will analyse different case studies and then identify and assess their current skill set. NTU students will be available to answer questions.

Gatsby Benchmarks: 3, 4, 7



Get in touch to find out more ose@ntu.ac.uk

“We had a fantastic experience and all those involved in the visit were great. While returning home, it was so beautiful to listen to our children, who were absolutely buzzing, discussing their futures and talking enthusiastically about university. It truly opened their eyes and inspired so many of them.”

Year 6 Teacher at Glenbrook School – Y6 Campus Visit

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