

## Curriculum Structure

Advanced Subsidiary qualifications are taken at the end of Year 13.

'AS' subjects running are as follows:

Art and Design  
Biology  
Business Studies  
Chemistry  
Classical Civilisation  
Construction (BTEC Subsidiary Cert/Diploma)  
Digital Technology  
Economics  
Engineering (BTEC Subsidiary Cert/Diploma)  
English Literature  
French  
Further Mathematics  
German  
Government and Politics  
Health & Social Care  
History  
Mathematics  
Media Studies  
Music  
Nutrition and Food Science  
Physics  
Religious Studies  
Spanish  
Technology and Design

All of the above are offered at A2 level. Progression to Year 14 is normally dependent on satisfactory performance at 'AS' level. Courses are subject to viable numbers and time-table constraints.

**Enrichment Programme** (No. of Periods)  
Careers Education (1), Games (2), Study Time (5). Please see Careers Diary of Events on the school website.

Other enrichment activities will be delivered as single events, delivered by members of the teaching staff and outside agencies.



## Pastoral Team

**Head of Year**  
Miss T. Bassett

**Head of Sixth Form**  
Mr T. McLeister

**Pastoral and Learning Support**  
Miss C. Featherstone

**Tutors**  
Dr G. Pyper  
Mr J Donnelly  
Mrs L. Hunter  
Mrs G. Douglas  
Miss R. Finlay / Miss A. Wilkinson  
Mrs S. Shaw  
Miss R. McVea

**Teacher in Charge of Pastoral Care  
and Child Protection**  
Mr R. Ross

**Deputy Designated Teacher  
for Child Protection**  
Dr C. Donnelly

**Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator**  
Mrs C. McNeilly

## Parents' Information

Year 13  
2017 - 2018

Ballymena Academy



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## Term Dates

### School Commences

31.08.17

### Half Term Holiday

30.10.17 - 3.11.17

### Christmas Holiday

21.12.17 - 02.01.18

### Half Term Holiday

15.02.18 - 19.02.18

### Easter Holiday

26.03.18 - 06.04.18

### May Day Holiday

07.05.18

### Last Day of Summer Term

29.06.18

### Exceptional Closure days

03.10.17

27.11.17

11.01.18

12.01.18

28.05.18

### Morning Assembly

#### Main Assembly

Monday

#### Sixth Form Centre

Wednesday / Friday

#### Year Assembly

Tuesday

#### Tutor Group Meeting

Wednesday

#### Games

Wednesday Periods 8 and 9

## Calendar of Events

Annual Prize Distribution 27.10.17

OPA Christmas Fair 09.12.17

Carol Service - St. Patrick's Church 13.12.17

Annual School Concert 11.04.18 - 13.04.18

### Year 13 September - October

Launch Millennium Volunteers

European Day of Languages

Study Skills Workshops

School Photographs

Election of Sixth Form Committee

Enrolment for Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award

Senior CU Weekend

Parents' Information Evening 17.10.17

Health and Social Care Placements

Presentation on Work Shadowing Placements

### Year 13 November - December

Anti-Bullying Week

# iWill Volunteering Week

Christmas Social

Senior Carol Service

Rotary International Youth Leadership Conference

### Year 13 January - April

School Examinations 15.01.18 - 23.01.18

Careers Convention 22.02.18

Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme - Practices

Law Conference and Medical Symposium M.C.B

Engineering Conference

Parents' Consultation Afternoon (invite only) 6.03.18

University Careers Talks and Open Days

### Year 13 May - June

Election of Prefects

Oxford - Cambridge Student Conference

Selection of Year 14 Teams

Presentation of Awards

'AS' Examinations

Duke of Edinburgh Gold Expedition

## Timetabled Games Activities

### Boys

Rugby / Swimming / Cricket / Tennis

Golf / Weight Training / Football

Volleyball / Fitness Training

Power Walking

### Girls

Hockey / Netball / Swimming

Athletics / Tennis / Rounders / Football / Softball /

Volleyball / Basketball

Aerobics / Dance / Fitness Training

Power walking

## Co-Curricular Activities

### Girls

Hockey / Netball / Badminton / Dance

### Boys

Tennis / Rugby / Golf / Cricket / Football

### Girls and Boys

Percussion / Strings / Orchestra / Choir

Wind Band / Jazz Band / Chamber Choir

Public Speaking / Hockey / Golf / Tennis

Swimming / Table-tennis / Cross-country

Football / Drama / Athletics / Chess

Aerobics / Young Enterprise / Club Rigolo

Delhi Children's Project / Show Jumping

Young Environmentalists Society / Debating

European Parliament / Christian Union

Walking / Cancer Research Committee

Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme

Charity Committee / Sentinus Engineering

Senior Mathematics Challenge

Java C# Programming Club