

## Curriculum Structure

Area of learning	Contributory Elements
Language and Literacy	English including Media Education
Mathematics and Numeracy	Mathematics including Financial Capability
The Arts	Art and Design Drama Music
Environment and Society	Geography History
Modern Languages	French German or Spanish
Science and Technology	Biology Chemistry Physics Technology and Design
Additional Studies	Digital Technology
Learning for Life	Home Economics and Learning for Life and Work
Physical Education	Physical Education and Games
Religious Education	Religious Education



### Pastoral Team

#### Head of Year

Mr A. Moore

#### Pastoral Adviser

Miss K. Wylie

#### Tutors

Mrs C. McNeilly / Mrs J. Adam

Mr B. Thompson

Mrs R. Hamill / Mrs J. Adam

Mr P. Scullion

Mrs J. Craig

Mrs A. Martinez Linares

#### 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 9

2019 - 2020

Ballymena Academy



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## Term Dates

### School Commences

02.09.19

### Half Term Holiday

28.10.19 - 1.11.19

### Christmas Holiday

23.12.19 - 03.01.20

### Half Term Holiday

14.02.20 - 19.02.20

### Easter Holiday

06.04.20 - 17.04.20

### May Day Holiday

08.05.20

### Last Day of Summer Term

30.06.20

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## Exceptional Closure days

01.10.19

09.01.20

10.01.20

17.03.20 (Provisional)

25.05.20

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## Morning Assembly

### Main Assembly

Tuesday / Thursday

### Year Assembly

Wednesday

### Tutor Group Meeting

Friday

### Games

Monday Periods 9 and 10

## Calendar of Events

Annual Prize Distribution 25.10.19

School Play 14.11.19 – 15.11.19

PPA Christmas Fair 07.12.19

Carol Service - St. Patrick's Church 18.12.19

Annual School Concert 24.03.20 - 26.03.20

### Year 9 September - December

Meeting of Junior School Council

European Day of Languages

Anti-Bullying Week

Junior CU Weekend

Junior School Exams 22.11.19 - 26.11.19

Christmas Party

Junior Carol Service

### Year 9 January - February

Meeting of Junior School Council

### Year 9 March - June

Parents' Consultation Afternoon 01.04.20

Meeting of Junior School Council

Summer Examinations 22.05.20 - 28.05.20

Presentation of Awards

## Timetabled Games Activities

### Boys

#### Winter - Spring

Rugby / Conditioning / Gymnastics / Basketball

#### Spring - Summer

Athletics / Tennis / Cricket / Football / Softball

### Girls

#### Winter - Spring

Mixed Sports / Hockey / Orienteering / Fitness

#### Spring - Summer

Athletics / Tennis / Rounders / Football /  
Softball / Tag Rugby

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## Co-Curricular Activities

### Girls

Hockey / Netball / Badminton / Rugby

### Boys

Rugby / Gymnastics / Basketball  
Summer Football

### Girls and Boys

Percussion / Strings / Orchestra  
Choir / Wind Band / Cricket / Tennis  
Public Speaking / Swimming / Table-tennis  
Circuits / Cross-country / Football  
Drama / Athletics / Chess  
Young Environmentalists Society  
Christian Union / Showjumping / Debating  
Walking / Science / Computers / Languages  
Creativity Club / Maths Club