

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	2 of French, German or Spanish
Science and Technology	Biology Chemistry Physics Digital Technology Technology and Design
Learning for Life	Employability Local & Global Citizenship Personal Development Home Economics Careers Education
Physical Education	Physical Education and Games
Religious Education	Religious Education



Pastoral Team

Head of Year

Mrs L. Robinson

Pastoral Adviser

Miss A. Doyle

Tutors

Mr B. Thompson

Miss L Clotworthy / Mrs E. Stevenson

Miss R. Hamilton / Miss E. Greer

Miss C. Featherstone

Mr P. Scullion

Mrs D. Murray /Mr A. Munce

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 R. Matchett

Parents' Information

Year 10
2025 - 2026

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Term Dates

School Commences

01.09.25

Half Term Holiday

27.10.25 - 31.10.25

Christmas Holiday

22.12.25 - 02.01.26

Half Term Holiday

09.02.26 - 13.02.26

Easter Holiday

30.03.26 - 10.04.26

May Day Holiday

04.05.26

Last Day of Summer Term

30.06.26

Calendar of Events

Annual Prize Distribution 24.10.25

Carol Service - St. Patrick's Church 17.12.25

Annual School Concert 25.03.26 - 26.03.26

Year 10 September - December

Enrolment for DOE Scheme Bronze Award

Elections to Junior School Council

European Day of Languages

Health Talks

Meeting of Junior School Council

Anti-Bullying Week

Junior School Exams

Christmas Party

Junior Carol Service

Timetabled Games Activities

Boys

Rugby / Athletics / Cricket

Football / Softball / Volleyball

Basketball / Conditioning

Girls

Hockey / Netball

Athletics / Tennis / Rounders

Football / Softball / Volleyball

Basketball / Mixed Sports

Co-Curricular Activities

Girls

Hockey / Netball / Badminton / Rugby

Boys

Basketball / Rugby / Gymnastics

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

Exceptional Closure days

30.09.25

26.11.25

08.01.26

17.03.26

25.05.26

Weekly Format

Main Assembly

Monday / Thursday

Year Assembly

Tuesday

Extended Registration / Tutor Group

Wednesday / Friday

Games

Thursday Periods 9 and 10

Year 10 January - February

Careers Evening

Careers Talks – Choosing Options / New Subjects

Junior CU Weekend

Parents' Consultation & Briefing Evening

Subject Choice for GCSE

Meeting of Junior School Council

Year 10 March - June

Meeting of Junior School Council

Summer Examinations

DOE Bronze Expedition

Presentation of Awards

Careers Guidance Interviews