

Curriculum Structure

Courses offered

All pupils take	Careers Education Games and PE Mathematics Religious Education and Learning for Life & Work
Choose One	English & English Literature English & Media Studies

Choose a), b) or c)	a) Science Single Award b) Science Double Award c) 1, 2 or 3 of Biology, Chemistry and Physics
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Choose remaining subjects from	Agriculture Art & Design Business Studies Classical Civilisation Construction Digital Technology Drama Essential Skills Food and Nutrition French Further Mathematics Geography German History Music Occupational Studies Physical Education Religious Studies Spanish Technology & Design
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* The Careers Programme takes the form of stand alone events throughout the year.

Courses are subject to viable numbers and time-table constraints



Pastoral Team

Head of Year

Mr S. Johnston

Pastoral Adviser

Miss K. Wylie

Tutors

Mr T. Bell
Mrs A. McCarry
Mr P. Reid
Mr L. Gourley
Dr A. Livingston / Mrs J. Adam
Mr D. Houston
Mrs L. Nelson / Mrs J. Adam

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 11
2023 - 2024

Ballymena Academy



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Term Dates

School Commences

01.09.23

Half Term Holiday

30.10.23 - 03.11.23

Christmas Holiday

21.12.23 - 03.01.24

Half Term Holiday

12.02.24 - 16.02.24

Easter Holiday

27.03.24 - 05.04.24

May Day Holiday

06.05.24

Last Day of Summer Term

28.06.24

Exceptional Closure days

03.10.23

29.11.23

11.01.24

18.03.24

27.05.24

Weekly Format

Main Assembly

Tuesday / Friday

Year Assembly

Thursday

Extended Registration / Tutor Group

Wednesday / Monday

Games

Tuesday Periods 9 and 10

Calendar of Events

Annual Prize Distribution 27.10.23

Carol Service - St. Patrick's Church 13.12.23

Annual School Concert 20.03.24 - 21.03.24

Year 11 September - October

School Photographs

European Day of Languages

Elections to Middle School Council

Year 11 Information Event

Year 11 November - December

Mood Matters Talks

Meetings of the Middle School Council

Anti-Bullying Week

Senior Carol Service

Year 11 January - February

Meeting of the Middle School Council

School Examinations

Year 11 March - June

Study Skills Workshops

Parents' Consultation

Meeting of Middle School Council

Senior C.U. Weekend

GCSE Modular Examinations

Presentation of Awards

Timetabled Games Activities

Boys

Rugby / Athletics / Cricket / Football

Volleyball / Basketball / Hockey

Conditioning

Girls

Hockey / Netball

Athletics / Tennis / Rounders

Football / Softball / Volleyball

Basketball

Co-Curricular Activities

Girls

Hockey / Netball / Badminton

Gymnastics / Rugby

Boys

Rugby / Cricket / Football / Gymnastics

Girls and Boys

Percussion / Strings / Orchestra

Wind Band / Choir / Senior Strings

Public Speaking / Tennis

Chamber Choir / Swimming

Table-tennis / Cross-country / Football

Drama / Athletics / Chess

Young Environmentalists Society

Christian Union / Debating / Walking

Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme

Creativity Club / Maths Club