

Curriculum Structure

Area of learning	Contributory Elements	Periods
Language and Literacy	English including Media Education	4
Mathematics and Numeracy	Mathematics including Financial Capability	4
The Arts	Art and Design	1.5
	Drama	1
	Music	1.5
Environment and Society	Geography	3
	History	3
Modern Languages	French	4
	German or Spanish	4
Science and Technology	Science	3
	Technology and Design	2
I.C.T.	Digital Technology	2
Learning for Life	Home Economics and Learning for Life and Work	2
Physical Education	Physical Education and Games	3
Religious Education	Religious Education	2



Pastoral Team

Head of Year

Mr A. Moore

Pastoral Adviser

Miss A. Simpson

Tutors

Mrs J. Fielding / Mrs R. Matchett

Mr B. Thompson

Mrs R. Hamill / Mrs N. Chalkley

Mr P. Scullion

Mrs N. Taggart

Mr W. Kerr

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
2017 - 2018

Ballymena Academy



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Term Dates

School Commences

01.09.17

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 / Wednesday / Friday

Year Assembly

Tuesday

Tutor Group Meeting

Thursday

Games

Monday 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 9 September - December

Meeting of Junior School Council

European Day of Languages

Anti-Bullying Week

Junior CU Weekend

Junior School Exams 28.11.17 - 30.11.17

Christmas Party

Junior Carol Service

Year 9 January - February

Meeting of Junior School Council

Year 9 March - June

Parents' Consultation Afternoon 14.03.18

Meeting of Junior School Council

Sports Day

Summer Examinations 29.05.18 - 31.05.18

Fun Day

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

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