

## Curriculum Structure

All pupils take

### Courses offered

Careers Education  
Games and PE  
English  
Mathematics  
Religious Education and Learning for Life & Work

Other subjects offered

Agriculture  
Art & Design  
Biology  
Business Studies  
Chemistry  
Classical Civilisation  
Construction  
Digital Technology  
Drama  
English Literature  
Essential Skills  
Food and Nutrition  
French  
Further Mathematics  
Geography  
German  
History  
Media Studies  
Music  
Occupational Studies  
Physical Education  
Physics  
Religious Studies  
Science Single Award  
Science Double Award  
Spanish  
Technology & Design

\* 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

Miss C. McAllister

### Pastoral Adviser

Mrs E. Liggatt

### Tutors

Mrs L. Hunter  
Mr K. Moore  
Mr D. McClelland  
Miss E. Herron  
Mr. R. Hayes  
Mrs N. Kerr  
Mr D. Baldwin

### 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  
2024 - 2025

Ballymena Academy



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## Term Dates

### School Commences

30.08.24

### Half Term Holiday

28.10.24 - 01.11.24

### Christmas Holiday

23.12.24 - 03.01.24

### Half Term Holiday

10.02.25 - 14.02.25

### St. Patrick's Day

17.03.25

### Easter Holiday

16.04.25 - 25.04.25

### May Day Holiday

05.05.25

### Last Day of Summer Term

27.06.25

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## Exceptional Closure days

08.10.24

27.11.24

09.01.25

26.05.25

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## 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 25.10.24

Carol Service - St. Patrick's Church 18.12.24

Annual School Concert 26.03.25 - 27.03.25

### 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

Strength and Conditioning

### Girls

Hockey / Netball

Athletics / Tennis / Rounders

Football / Softball / Volleyball

Basketball / Strength and Conditioning

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## 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