

## Curriculum Structure

### Courses offered

All pupils take	Learning for Life & Work and Careers Education Games and PE Mathematics Religious Education
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
Choose remaining subjects from	Agriculture Art & Design Business Studies Classical Civilisation Construction Digital Technology Drama French Food and Nutrition Further Mathematics Geography German History Music Occupational Studies Physical Education Religious Studies Spanish Technology & Design

Courses are subject to viable numbers and timetable constraints.



## Pastoral Team

### Head of Year

Mr S. Johnston

### Pastoral Adviser

Miss K. Wylie

### Tutors

Mr T. Bell

Mrs A. McCarry

Mr G. Murray

Mr L. Gourley

Mr D. Houston

Dr A. Livingston / Mrs E. Stevenson

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 12  
2024 - 2025

## Ballymena Academy



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## Term Dates

### School Commences

02.09.24

### Half Term Holiday

28.10.24 - 01.11.24

### Christmas Holiday

23.12.24 - 03.01.25

### 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

Wednesday / Thursday

### Year Assembly

Friday

### Extended Registration / Tutor Group

Monday / Tuesday

### Games

Wednesday 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 12 September - December

Elections to Middle School Council

European Day of Languages

Geography Field Work

Meeting of the Middle School Council

Parents' Consultation

Anti-Bullying Week

Senior Carol Service

### Year 12 January - February

School Examinations

Talk on post-GCSE Subject Choice

Careers Guidance Interviews

Senior C.U. Weekend

Meeting of the Middle School Council

Careers Convention

### Year 12 March - June

Meeting of Middle School Council

Year 12 Social Evening

Presentation of Awards

GCSE Examinations

### Year 12 August

GCSE results and Careers Interviews

## Timetabled Games Activities

### Boys

Rugby / Swimming / Hockey

Cricket / Football / Tennis

Cross Country / Weight Training

Golf / Softball / Volleyball

Basketball

### Girls

Hockey / Netball / Swimming / Athletics

Tennis / Rounders / Football / Softball

Volleyball / Basketball / Aerobics

Squash / Dance / Fitness Training

Power walking

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## Co-Curricular Activities

### Girls

Hockey / Netball / Badminton

Dance / Aerobics

### Boys

Rugby / Golf / Cricket

### Girls and Boys

Percussion / Strings / Orchestra

Wind Band / Choir / Public Speaking

Tennis / Swimming / Table-tennis

Cross-country / Football

Drama / Athletics / Chess

Young Environmentalists Society

Christian Union / Debating / Walking

Creativity Club / Maths Club