Curriculum Structure

The Year 14 pupils generally continue with three subjects to A2 level.

'A2' subjects are as follows:

Agriculture (BTEC Subsidiary Diploma) Art and Design Biology **Business Studies** Chemistry **Classical Civilisation** Construction (BTEC Subsidiary Diploma) Digital Technology Economics Engineering (BTEC Subsidiary Diploma) **English Literature Environmental Technology** French Geography German Government and Politics Health & Social Care History **Mathematics** Media Studies Music Nutrition and Food Science Performing Arts Physical Education **Physics Religious Studies** Spanish Technology and Design

Courses are subject to viable numbers and time-table constraints

Enrichment Programme Careers Education, Games. Please see Careers Diary of Events on the school website.

Other enrichment activities will be delivered as single events, delivered by members of the teaching staff and outside agencies.



Head of Year Mrs C. Oakes

Pastoral and Learning Support Mrs C. Harris

Tutors Dr G. Pyper Mrs S. Monteith / Mrs R. Matchett Mr P. Reid Mr J. Turtle Mr W. Kerr Mrs C. Louw Mr D. Ross

Teacher in Charge of Pastoral Care and Child Protection Mr R. Ross

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Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator Mrs C. McNeilly

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Year 14 2024 - 2025

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Term Dates

School Commences 27.08.24 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

Exceptional Closure days 08.10.24 27.11.24 09.01.25 26.05.25

Weekly Format

Main Assembly Wednesday (Wk B)

Sixth Form Briefing Wednesday (Wk A)

> Year Assembly Monday / Friday

Extended Registration / Tutor Group Tuesday / Thursday

> 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 14 September - October

UCAS Applications University Roadshow Election of Sixth Form Committee European Day of Languages Parents' Consultation Afternoon Interview Skills and UK CAT Training Eye4Education Interview Skills

Year 14 November - December

Anti-Bullying Week Rotary International Youth Leadership Conference Christmas Social Senior Carol Service CAO Applications

Year 14 January - April

School Examinations Careers Convention Level 5 Course Applications Senior CU Weekend

Year 14 May - June

Millennium Volunteers Awards 'A2' Examinations Presentation of Awards

> Year 14 August Post Results Service

Timetabled Games Activities

Boys

Rugby / Cricket / Football Tennis / Golf / Weight Training Softball / Volleyball /Basketball / Hockey Fitness Training

Girls

Hockey / Netball / Athletics Tennis / Rounders / Volleyball / Aerobics Dance / Fitness Training Power walking

Co-Curricular Activities

Girls Hockey / Netball / Badminton / Tennis

Boys

Rugby / Golf / Football / Cricket / Tennis

Girls and Boys

Percussion / Strings / Orchestra Wind Band / Choir / Jazz Band / Trad. Group Charities Committee / Chamber Choir Cricket / Golf / Show Jumping / Hockey Public Speaking / Tennis / Swimming Table-tennis / Cross-country / Football Drama / Athletics / Chess / Aerobics Young Environmentalists Society Christian Union / Debating / Walking Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme Cancer Research Committee / Club Rigolo Senior Maths Challenge Java C# Programming Club Sentinus Engineering / Millennium Volunteers