

Atlantic Academy Portland

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Dear Parent,

Thank you as always for the support you give to your children's learning. Our students work hard in school and on their homework and your support with this is invaluable.

I wanted to take this opportunity to give you all an overview of the curriculum that is being covered in the upcoming Unit for Year 9 starting on 14th March. Unit 3 PPEs will fall in our Assessment fortnight starting 13th June.

Year 9	Curriculum	Overview
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English Language and Literature	Maths	Science	MFL
Honour and Society Key text: Much Ado about Nothing Writing to analyse	Straight line graphs; Simultaneous Equations; Probability; Similarity and Congruence; Trigonometry, Circles and Prisms; Pythagoras' Theorem	Physics Energy Electricity	School, Freetime, Food/Eating out and Sport
Geography	History	Technology rotations	Music
The Challenge of Natural Hazards (AQA)	Conflict and tension in Asia, 1950–1975	Food Technology: The food practitioner: Cooking skills, creating balanced dishes, commodities, food and nutrition Computer Science: Foundation studies in computer science: Computer systems, networks, cyber security, physical computing, programming Design Technology: covid catch up project (owing to covid students have not been in DT room practically	Solo performance and rehearsal skills

		in KS3). Design Technology: Skills project: Stationary holder - learning skills in DT such as design, modification, research, and woodwork techniques to create a stationary holder	
Drama	Sport	Art and Textiles Technology	PSHRE
Hills: Using script to explore character development and performance skills.		Graphics - Comic strips, created using artists input.	Law and Order, Philosophy and Ethics.
Devised = Theatre in Education: Using drama to raise awareness and inform the audience of key issues.			

We hope that this information will spark some interesting conversations with you and your children about their learning. Our curriculum map across all year groups can be found on our web-site linked here, as can our subject overviews which outline our visions for the different subject areas.

Today, your child will receive their Unit 3 Knowledge Organiser which contains all the key knowledge needed to underpin their learning on these units. Your support in using these for effective homework and discussing the contents is always invaluable in deepening the understanding and context of their work. A digital copy of all our KOs can be found here.

Should you have any questions regarding our curriculum, please do not hesitate to contact me via the contact form on the Atlantic Academy web-site.

Yours faithfully

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