



# Atlantic Academy Portland

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Dear Parent/Carer

### Last week of summer term

As part of our personal development programme we have organised a very fulfilling final week of summer term. Included in this email is a breakdown of the upcoming events to put on the fridge door.

### Monday 18th July & Tuesday 19th July - Celebration assemblies

These two days of school continue on as normal, finishing our curriculums of study for the year. However across the two days faculties will come together for their final celebration assemblies celebrating the successes from this unit of work, and from throughout the year. Students in year 9 will be receiving their choices of study for GCSE.

### Wednesday 20th July and Thursday 21st July- Personal Enrichment days

This year we are offering two full days of activities for students to participate in. Across the two days every year group will get the opportunity to visit a local attraction with their peers for a day, and they will also participate in school-based activities. In the main these activities incur no cost. There are two trips which incur a small cost.

#### Wednesday 20th July

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Year 7	Students will be walking around the top of Portland, exploring historic locations such as Portland Bill and Church Ope Cove, where they will be stopping for a picnic lunch.	There is no cost, however money for an ice cream might be a good idea.
Year 8	Students will be visiting the D-Day centre, an interactive World War 2 museum that tells the story of the thousands of US military personnel who in June 1944 sailed from Dorset to the beaches of Normandy. It features an impressive array of original WW2 artefacts, weapons and wartime vehicles, including a full size replica Spitfire, a Bofors 40mm gun and even a restored Sherman tank! They will visit Portland Castle, one of Henry VIII's finest coastal forts, built in the early 1540s to protect against French and Spanish invasion. It provides a great day out for visitors and tells of the castle's 450 year history and the part it played in the First and Second World Wars. Students will spend time studying the wide variety of sea defences at Chesil cove. Students will look at the positive and negative impacts of the sea defences from a socio-economic perspective.	There is a small cost of £3.00 per student which is for the entry costs. There will be opportunities to stop for refreshments at Frontline so perhaps money for ice cream if you wish.





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	Students will also have the opportunity to complete a variety of wellbeing activities including Yoga and meditation designed to teach students resilience techniques for the modern world.	
Year 9 and 10	During these two days students will be based in school, specialising in areas of their choice such as Art, Drama, Music, Food, screenwriting, and team sports	There will be a small cost for students wishing to do Food tech, to which you will be contacted on squid separately
Thursday 21st July		
Year 7 and 8	On this day students will be based in school, specialising in areas of their choice such as Art, Drama, Music, screenwriting, First aid, Mindfulness and team sports	There will be no cost for these activities.
Year 9	Students will be walking around the top of Portland, exploring historic locations such as Portland Bill and Church Ope Cove, where they will be stopping for a picnic lunch.	There is no cost, however money for an ice cream might be a good idea.
Year 10	Students will be meeting in Weymouth and attending a private screening of a newly released film at Cineworld, we will then take lunch on Weymouth beach, visiting the sand sculptures, and explore the local area	There is a cost of £4.50 per ticket. Students are also able to pre order popcorn and a drink for £4.95

## Friday 22nd July

The school day will take place as normal, however during the final lesson of the day tutor groups will celebrate the end of term, and an incredible year of Atlantic history with a tutor celebration Soiree.

Teachers leading the trips will be in touch in due course with further information on the trips. Please ensure for any outdoor activities sun protection including sun screen, suitable attire and water hydration are packed.

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