

Atlantic Academy

Year Overview

Year 8 2024-25

	Autumn 1 - Belonging	Autumn 2 - Heroes	Spring 1 - Spirit of Adventure/ Sense of accomplishment	Spring 2 - Curiosity & Creativity	Summer 1 - Leadership & Responsibility	Summer 2 - Fun & Excitement/ Confidence to take action
English	People- Real and Imagined Exploring enigmas Driving Question: What can we learn by exploring enigmas? Text: A Monster Calls		Language and Identity Driving Question: In what ways can individuals rebel against authority? Text: Extracts, Things a Bright Girl Can Do		New Drama Unit	
Reading	A Monster Calls		Poetry 1789-Present		Things a Bright Girl Can Do	
Drama	Characterisation		Lost		Macbeth	
Maths	Number - calculation methods Area and Volume Statistics, Charts and Graphs		Expressions and Equations Real-life graphs Decimals and Ratio		Lines and Angles Calculating with fractions Straight line graphs Percentages, Decimals and Fractions	
Science	Food and Nutrition The Periodic Table Forces and motion Unicellular organisms		Energetics and Pressure Genes and Adaptation Combustion Magnets and Electromagnets Breathing and Respiration		Metals and their Uses Energy transfers Plant growth Rocks Light	
History	Empires and the Transatlantic Slave Trade	Transatlantic Slave Trade and Industrial Revolution	WWI	WWI	Rise of the Dictators	Rise of the Dictators
Geography	The Amazing Amazon		Weather, climate and climate change		The Dorset Coast	
Computing	Spreadsheet modelling/Web design: Prom -Advanced spreadsheets and formulas, web design					
PE	Basketball Football	Health related Fitness Netball	Basketball Badminton	Badminton	Athletics	Tennis Rounders Softball
Art	Lettering in Art Colour, texture, shading and paint skills		Art Camouflage and Mondrian Camouflage, grid and leaf, patchwork mondrian		Patchwork textiles Sewing safety, fabric and joining, and machine skills	
DT	Intermediate food technologist: moving on -Dishes with levels of complexity Please note: Students study one unit of Food technology across the year, within their DT rotation					
Music	Music of the Americas - Blues and Samba		Ensemble band performances		Songwriting	
PSHE/RE	PSHE: Personal safety, global issues and racism	RSE: Safe relationships	PSHE: British values, Protected characteristics and mental health	Careers and Finance: What are my influences , My finances	RE unit: Islam and Philosophy	RE unit: Islam and Philosophy
MFL	TV, cinema, social networks	A trip to Paris	Personality & relationships	Meals & food	Talent	Ambitions