



# **Carrickfergus Grammar School**

Staff Calendar

2025-2026

# August

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# 2025

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
(AUGUST – SIMS TRACKING ASSESSMENT) column 6 - Years 11&13)					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 A2/AS results in school	14 A2/AS results to pupils	15	16
17	18	19	20 <u>Baker Day 1</u>  GCSE results in school.	21 <u>Baker Day 2</u>  GCSE results (Years 11 & 12) to pupils.  AS Subject Choice.	22 <u>TERM 1 BEGINS</u>  Yrs 12 + 14 in school 8.40-11.15	23
24	25 Bank holiday School closed	26 Yr 8 in school 8.40 -12.30  Yr 14 Parent/Pupil/Teacher SchoolCloud ‘Progress Interviews’ 1.10-3.10 (with staff who taught classes last year when in Year 13)	27 Yr 8 in school 8.40-3.25  Yr 13 in school 12.45-3.25  School Photographs Yrs 8 + 13	28 Yr 12 Parent/Pupil/Teacher SchoolCloud ‘Progress Interviews’ 9.00-11.00 (with staff who taught classes last year when in Year 11)  Yr 13 CLC pupils in host schools 2.15-3.25	29 Yr 11 in school 8.40-12.30  Year 12 DoE Silver	30   Year 12 DoE Silver

# September

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<b>31 August</b> <b>Week 1</b> Year 12 DoE Silver	<b>1</b> All pupils in school 8.40-3.25. Week 1 timetable (incuding CLC) from period 2 for all	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> UU (Belfast) Open Days (4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> )	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> QUB Open Day
<b>7</b> <b>Week 2</b>	<b>8</b>  ‘2 <sup>nd</sup> departments’	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> UU (Magee) Open Days (11 <sup>th</sup> -13 <sup>th</sup> )	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> <b>Week 1</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> UU (Coleraine) Open Days (19th-20th)  SEAG registration closes	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> <b>Week 2</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Yr 13 H&SC placement day 1	<b>25</b>  Prize Distribution 7pm	<b>26</b> Baker Day 3	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b> <b>Week 1</b>	<b>29</b> Music/Sports Achievement Prize distribution, 2pm	<b>30</b> Yr 8 parental information evening 7pm				

# October

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<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
<i>Week 1</i>			1	2	3	4
5 <i>Week 2</i>	6	7	8	9 Year 14 History trip to Dublin	10	11
12 <i>Week 1</i>	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 <i>Week 2</i>	20	21	22 Year 11 individual photographs  Islandmagee concert 7pm	23 Yr 13 Biology/Geography field trip	24 Yr 13 Biology/Geography field trip  School finishes for all pupils for mid-term 2.20pm SEAG FAMILIARISATION (BAKER DAY 4a) 3.30- 5.00	25
26	27 Mid-Term holiday	28 Mid-Term holiday	29 Mid-Term holiday	30 Mid-Term holiday	31 Mid-Term holiday	

# November

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<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
Years 8-10 'BLACK OUT' November 6th – 25 <sup>th</sup> inclusive						1
2  <i>Week 1</i>	3 All pupils return to school  <u>Baker Day 4b</u> Year 9 parental consultations (3.50-6.20)	4	5	6	7	8
9  <i>Week 2</i>	10	11 Remembrance Event	12	13	14	15  SEAG TEST 1
16  <i>Week 1</i>	17 Class Tutor interviews  GCSE English Language Unit 4 (am)	18	19	20 Yrs 8-10 assessments  Key Stage 3 Exams	21 Yrs 8-10 assessments  Key Stage 3 Exams	22  SEAG TEST 2
23  <i>Week 2</i>	24 Yrs 8-10 assessments  Key Stage 3 Exams	25 Yrs 8-10 assessments  Key Stage 3 Exams	26	27	28	29
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# December

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<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
<b>Week 1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Yr 13 H&SC placement day 2	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> <b>Week 2</b>  YEARS 12-14 'BLACK OUT' 8 <sup>th</sup> -19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>8</b> Year 10 Careers Focus Week  Year 10 Careers Information Evening 7pm (SM,KM,WL)	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Carol Service School rehearsal	<b>11</b> Carol Service Church rehearsal (daytime)  Carol Service, St. Nicholas CoI, 7pm	<b>12</b> Year 10 Careers Interviews (including collection of 'free choice' forms)	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> <b>Week 1</b>	<b>15</b> Yr 11 (per 1) + Yr 12 (per 2) 'Made for More' Assembly Hall	<b>16</b> Yr 9 (per 1) + Yr 10 (per 2) 'Made for More' Assembly Hall	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> School finishes for Christmas holidays 12 midday No canteen facilities	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Christmas holidays	<b>23</b> Christmas holidays	<b>24</b> Christmas holidays	<b>25</b> Christmas holidays	<b>26</b> Christmas holidays	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Christmas holidays	<b>30</b> Christmas holidays	<b>31</b> Christmas holidays			

# January

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<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
				<b>1</b> Christmas holidays	<b>2</b> Christmas holidays	<b>3</b> Ski trip, Yrs 9+10 to 10/2
<b>4</b> <i>Week 2</i>	<b>5</b> <u><b>TERM 2 BEGINS</b></u> Mock Exams Years 12-14	<b>6</b> Mock Exams Years 12-14	<b>7</b> Mock Exams Years 12-14	<b>8</b> Mock Exams Years 12-14	<b>9</b> Mock Exams Years 12-14	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b> <i>Week 1</i>	<b>12</b> Mock Exams Years 12-14	<b>13</b> Mock Exams Years 12-14	<b>14</b> Mock Exams Years 12-14(TBC)	<b>15</b> Open Evening 6.30pm School finishes at 12.20 (truncated day) No canteen facilities.	<b>16</b> <u><b>Baker Day 5</b></u> including Yr 8 Parental consultation (all subject teachers) 12.50pm – 3.25pm	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> <i>Week 2</i>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>  SEAG results published
<b>25</b> <i>Week 1</i>	<b>26</b>  '2 <sup>nd</sup> departments'	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Year 10 Parental Consultations 3.50-6.20	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> Year 10 return GCSE subject choices	<b>31</b>

# February

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<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
1 <i>Week 2</i>	2	3	4	5	6 School finishes for pupils for mid-term 2.20pm  Senior Hockey Tour (6 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> )	7
8	9 Mid-Term holiday	10 Mid-Term holiday	11 Mid-Term holiday	12 Mid-Term holiday	13 Mid-Term holiday	14
15 <i>Week 1</i>	16 <u>Return to school</u>	17 Mock Exams Year 11	18 Mock Exams Year 11  Year 12 Parental Consultations 3.50-6.20pm	19 Mock Exams Year 11	20 Mock Exams Year 11	21
22 <i>Week 2</i>	23 Mock Exams Year 11	24 Mock Exams Year 11	25	26	27 Year 14 Parental Consultations 2.50-5.20pm	28



# March

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1 <i>Week 1</i>	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 <i>Week 2</i>	9 Yr 13 Parental Consultations 3.50 – 6.20pm	10	11	12 Choir Tour	13 Choir Tour	14 Choir Tour
15 <i>Week 1</i> Choir Tour	16 <u>SDD1</u>	17 Holiday <u>St Patrick's Day</u> School closed	18	19	20	21
22 <i>Week 2</i>	23	24	25 Year 11 Parental Consultations 3.50– 6.20pm	26  Spring Concert 7pm	27	28
29 <i>Week 1</i>	30	31	CLC Careers Convention (Yr 12) TBC  UCAS Convention (Yr 13) TBC			

# April

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<i>Sun</i>		<i>Mon</i>		<i>Tue</i>		<i>Wed</i>		<i>Thu</i>		<i>Fri</i>		<i>Sat</i>	
						1 Easter Holidays		2 Easter Holidays		3 Easter Holidays		4 Easter Holidays	
5		6 Easter Holidays		7 Easter Holidays		8 Easter Holidays		9 Easter Holidays		10 Easter Holidays		11	
12 <i>Week 1</i>		13 <u>TERM 3 BEGINS</u>		14		15		16		17		18	
19 <i>Week 2</i>		20		21		22		23		24		25 PA Spring Fair	
26 <i>Week 1</i>		27		28		29		30 SEAG P6 Information Evening 7.00 pm.					

# May

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<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
<b>Week 1</b> TBC – New Yr 8 Intake testing (2 days, late May) AT <i>Yr 11 GCSE modules in italics throughout month</i>					1	2
3 <b>Week 2 / Year 11 supervised study</b>	4 <b><u>May Day Bank</u> Holiday SDD 2</b> School closed	5 Year 11 Supervised Study	6 Year 11 Supervised Study	7 Year 11 Supervised Study	8 Year 11 Supervised Study	9
10 <b>Week 1/ Year 11 supervised study</b>	11 Year 11 Supervised Study	12 Year 11 Supervised Study	13 Year 11 Supervised Study	14 Year 11 Supervised Study	15 Year 11 Supervised Study	16
17 <b>KS3 Exams / Week 2</b>	18	19	20 Years 8 to 10 Exams	21 Years 8 to 10 Exams	22 Years 8 to 10 Exams	23
24 <b>KS3 Exams/Week 1</b>	25 <b><u>SDD 3</u></b> School closed to pupils	26 Years 8 to 10 Exams	27 Years 8 to 10 Exams	28	29	30
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# June

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<b>Week 2</b> Year 8 French trip TBC	<b>1</b> <i>Yr 11 GCSE</i> <i>Child Dev (a.m.)</i>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> <i>Yr 11 GCSE</i> <i>Maths (a.m.)</i>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> <b>Week 1</b>	<b>8</b> Year 13 return to school Year 13 UCAS day Year 9 ‘Learn to Earn’  P6 ‘STEAM’/Sports’ Festival week	<b>9</b> Year 13 Work Experience  P6 ‘STEAM’/Sports’ Festival week	<b>10</b> Year 13 Work Experience  <i>Yr 11 GCSE</i> <i>Religious St (p.m.)</i>  P6 ‘STEAM’/Sports’ Festival week	<b>11</b> Year 13 Work Experience  P6 ‘STEAM’/Sports’ Festival week	<b>12</b> <b>SDD 4</b> Interview Skills Day (Yr 13)  P6 ‘STEAM’/Sports’ Festival week	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> <b>Week 2</b>	<b>15</b> Year 13 return to class	<b>16</b> Yr 11 Geography trip	<b>17</b> Yr 11 Geography trip	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> DoE Silver practice	<b>20</b> DoE Silver practice
<b>21</b> <b>Week 1</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> HOY 8 -10 finish checking reports	<b>24</b> New Intake Induction Evening	<b>25</b> Wellbeing Day (half day for pupils)	<b>26</b> DoE Silver practice	<b>27</b> DoE Silver practice
<b>28</b> <b>Week 2</b>	<b>29</b> All reports (Years 8-11) published	<b>30</b> School closes at 12 pm Summer holidays no canteen facilities	Summer Holidays			

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**Tracking (core) Assessments 2025/26 – deadline summary for subject teachers**

Assessment Schedule	Tr 1	Tr 2	Tr 3	Tr 4	Tr 5	Tr 6	
Year 8	Eng / Maths only 15 <sup>th</sup> October	Leave blank	9 <sup>th</sup> December	Leave blank	Leave blank	5 <sup>th</sup> June - marks	
							16 <sup>th</sup> June - comments
Year 9	Leave blank		9 <sup>th</sup> December	Eng/Maths only 20 <sup>th</sup> March			5 <sup>h</sup> June - marks
							16 <sup>th</sup> June - comments
Year 10			5 <sup>th</sup> December	Eng/Maths only 20 <sup>th</sup> March			5 <sup>th</sup> June - marks
						16 <sup>h</sup> June - comments	
Year 11			7 <sup>th</sup> November	13 <sup>th</sup> March	Non external exam subjects 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Ext. Exam (record result)/ Repeat from TR5	
Year 12			7 <sup>th</sup> November	30 <sup>th</sup> January	Leave blank	Ext. Exam	
Year 13			7 <sup>th</sup> November	30 <sup>th</sup> January		Ext. Exam – record result	
Year 14	7 <sup>th</sup> November	30 <sup>th</sup> January	Ext. Exam				

**Shaded cell = full reports  
(i.e. including comments)**

Please note – **by the end of January** (in order that access arrangements may be verified) –

- In the case of examination classes at least one assessment should replicate a question/questions in style, timing and length, as per actual examination papers.
- In the case of subjects where extended writing is required – please ensure such a requirement is included in at least one assessment.

Teachers of **Year 11**  
(*subjects in which GCSE  
modules were completed*)  
**and Year 13** (all subjects),  
fill in external results in  
column 6 in August 2026.

Teachers of **Year 11**  
(*subjects in which GCSE  
modules were NOT  
completed*) copy results  
from TR5 to TR6 in August  
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### Notes

#### **Monday meetings/FPH – (unless stated otherwise)**

- Mondays – departments. All staff with 'main' teaching department HODs, unless calendar refers to meeting time being for 'second' departments.
- First FPH in month – Curriculum team with FM, followed by department meetings if required.
- Second FPH in month – Pastoral team with LK, followed by HOY/Class tutor meetings if required.

#### **Truncated/Early closing/'Squishy' day (Open night)**

**No registration, pupils go direct to period 1 class**

<b>Period 1</b>	<b>8.45-9.25</b>
<b>Period 2</b>	<b>9.25-10.05</b>
<b>Period 3</b>	<b>10.05-10.45</b>
<b>Break</b>	<b>10.45-11.00</b>
<b>Period 4</b>	<b>11.00-11.40</b>
<b>Period 5</b>	<b>11.40-12.20</b>

**Pupils leave school at 12.20, no canteen facilities available**

**Non-teaching staff – day in lieu of 2 SEAG Saturdays – to be taken on a day of mutual convenience in terms 2 or 3.**