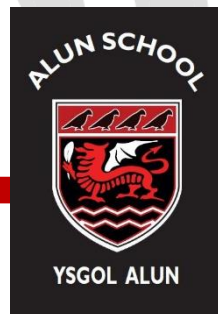


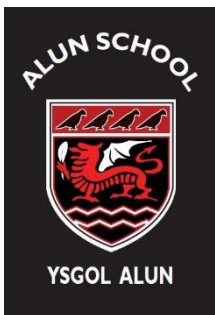
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Yr7 Curriculum Information

Evening

October 2025

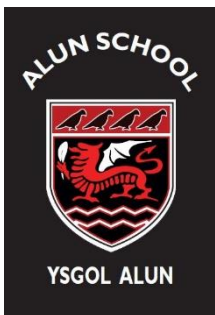




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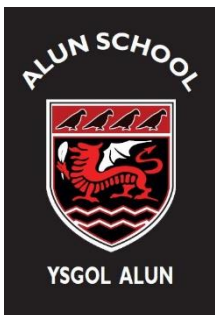
Item	Time
Drop off students	17:15 – 17:30
Main presentation	17:30 – 18:00
Yr7 Camp Information	18:00 – 18:20
Refreshments and Collecting students	18:20 – 18:30



Introductions



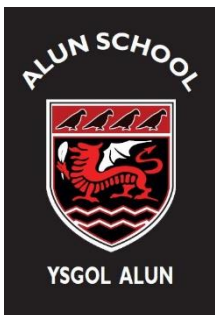
Person	Role
Jack Bourke-Bennett	Assistant Headteacher
Jane Cooper	Headteacher
David Goodchild	Deputy Headteacher



An incredible start



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Sporting Interhouse Dates



October 13th - Cross Country

December 8th - Football & Netball

February 2rd - Rugby & Hockey

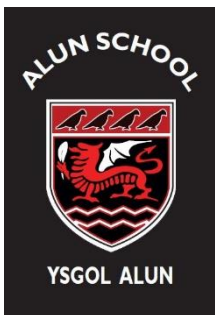
March 9th - Swim gala

March 23rd - Dodgeball (KS3 only - run during lunch times)

April 6th - Badminton (run during lunch times)

May 11th - Cricket & Rounders

June 19th - Sports Day



The House Teams



Clwyd



Head of House:
Mrs L Winning



Deputy HoH:
Miss G Rose

Dyfed



Head of House:
Mrs L Payne



Deputy HoH:
Mr S O'Hagan

Gwent



Head of House:
Mr D Jones



Deputy HoH:
Miss S Bellis

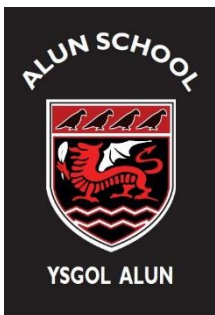
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Head of House:
Mrs L Jenkins



Deputy HoH:
Mrs A Pearson



School Aims



- To **support** students to become ambitious, capable learners through a culture of high expectations
- To **empower** students to become ethical, informed citizens of Wales and the world
- To **promote opportunities** for students to become enterprising, creative contributors to the school and wider community
- To **encourage** students to become healthy, confident individuals through excellent care, support and guidance

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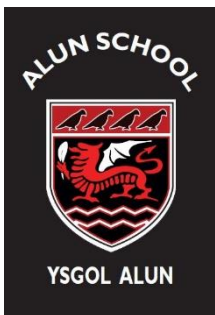
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Our Curriculum



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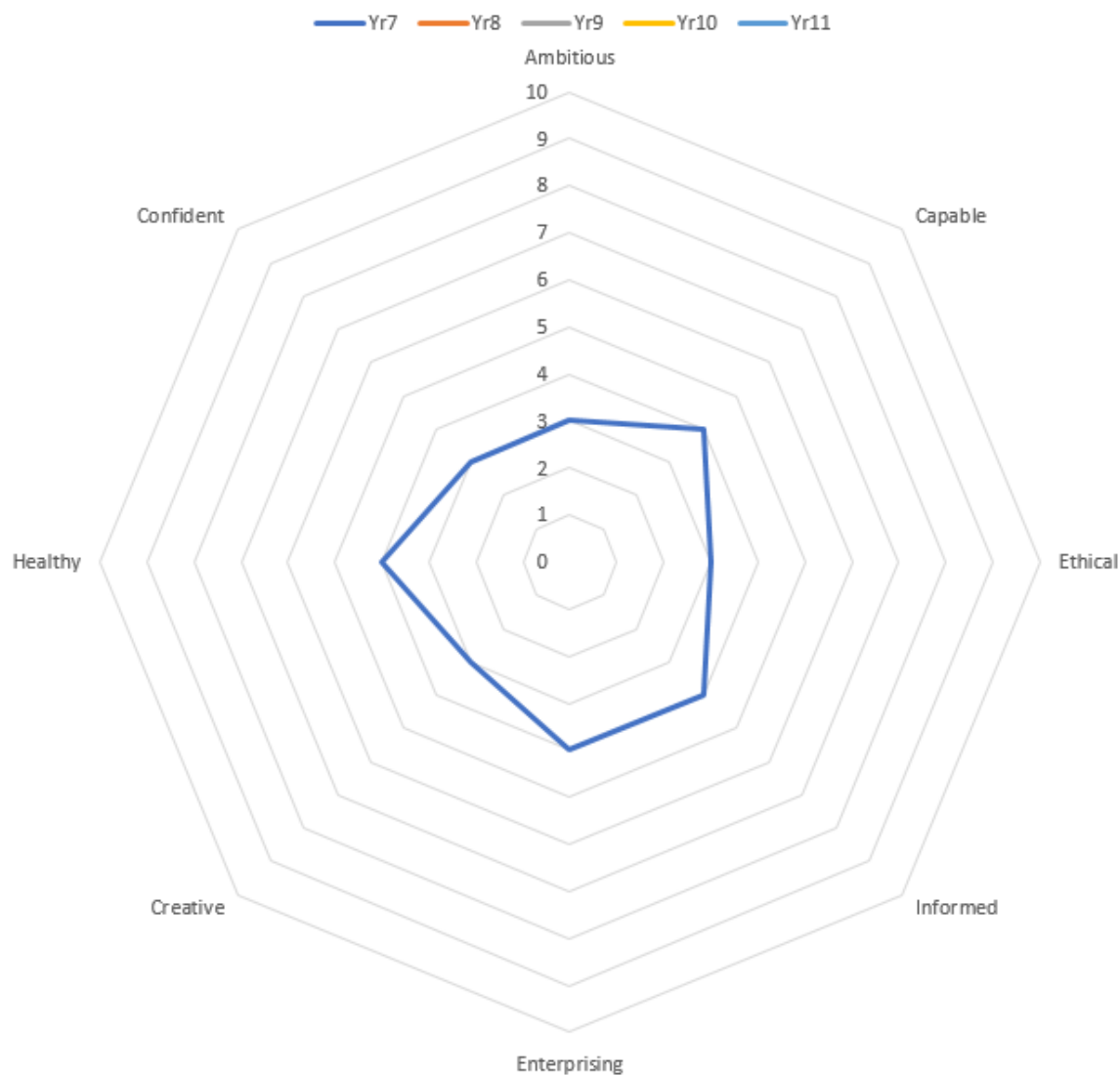
Our Curriculum is designed to achieve these aims

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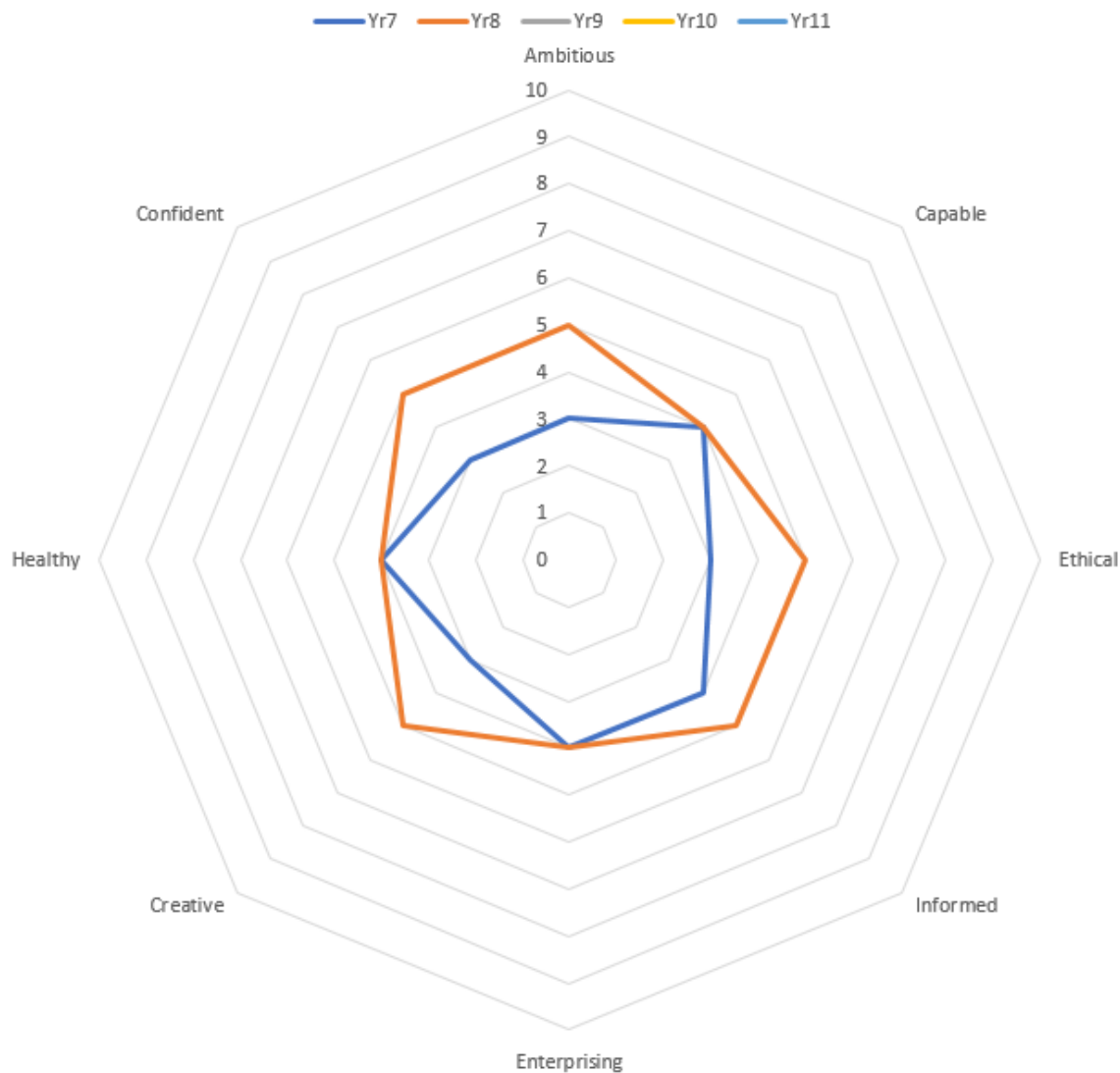
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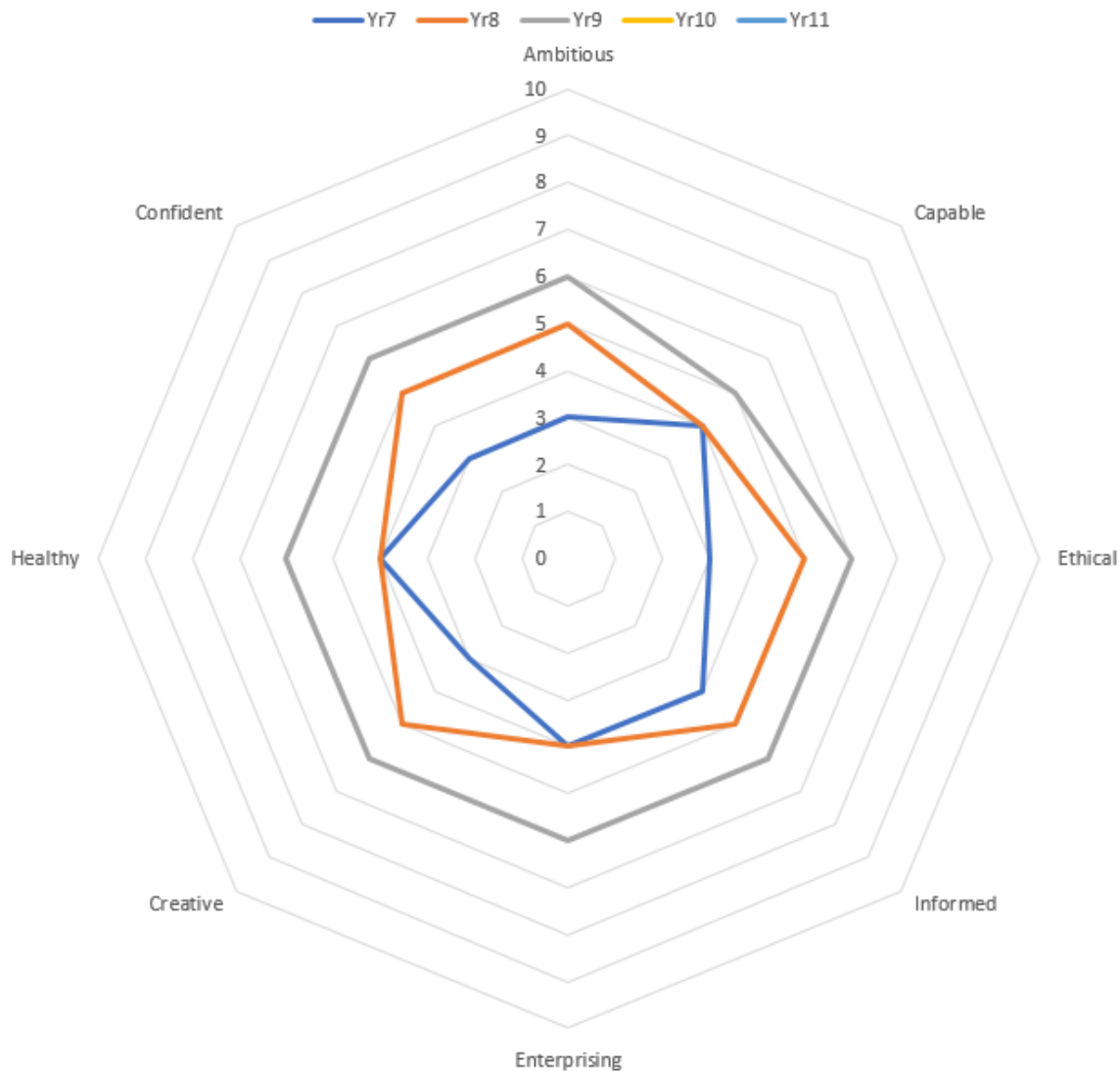
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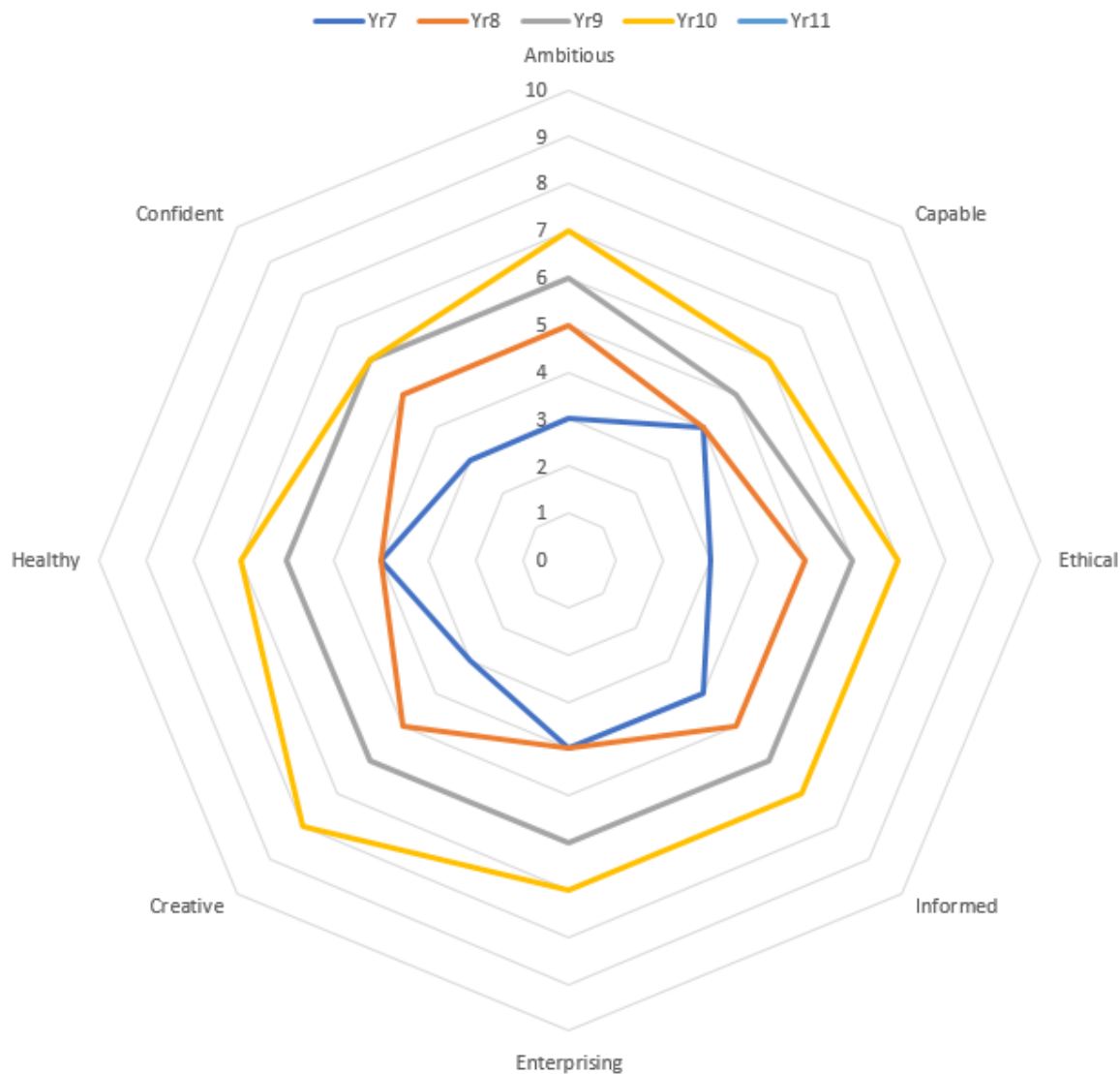
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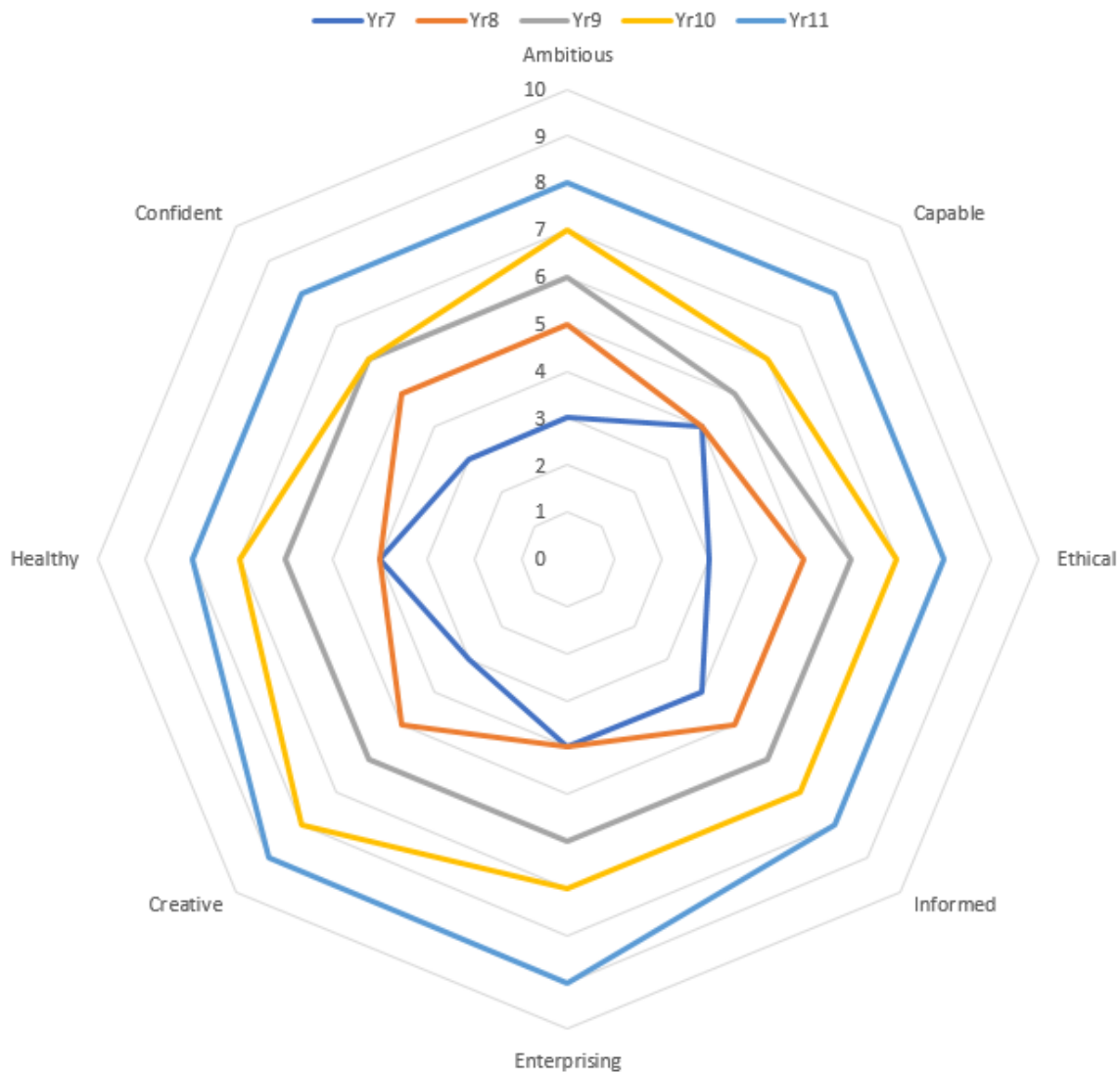
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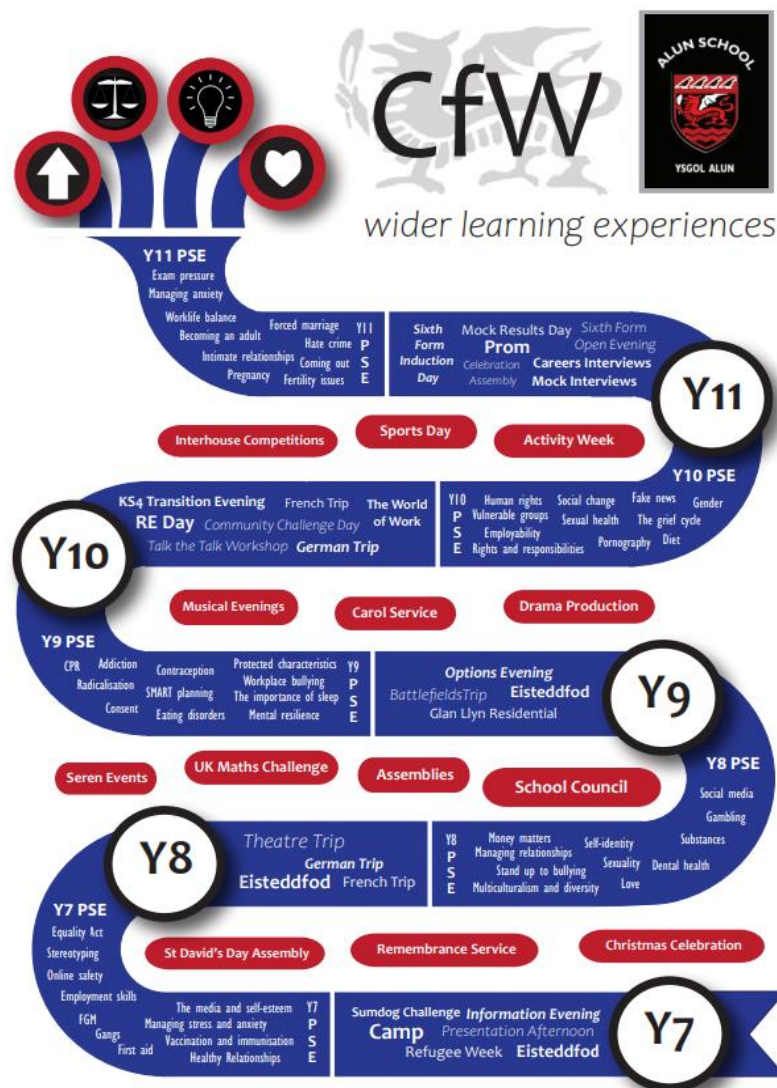
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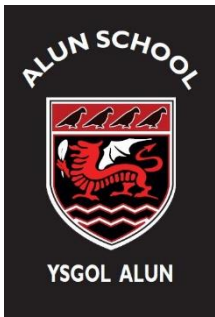


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Roadmap





Our Curriculum



- What we teach
- How we teach
- The experiences students have

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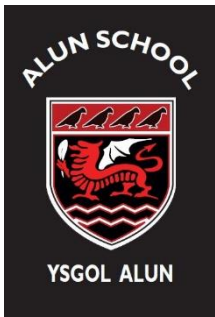
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Our Curriculum



What we teach

What we teach – Academic Curriculum



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addresses the Six Areas of Learning and Experience



Expressive Arts



Health and Well-being



Humanities



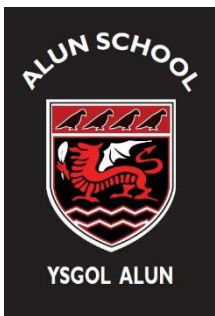
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Mathematics and Numeracy



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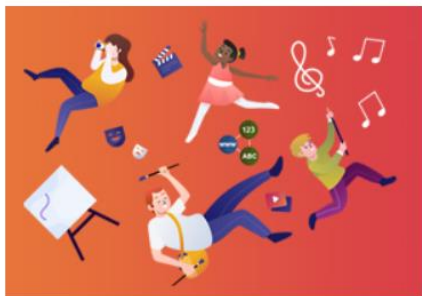


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Principles
Progression
Integration
Careers
Skills



Expressive Arts



Health and Well-being



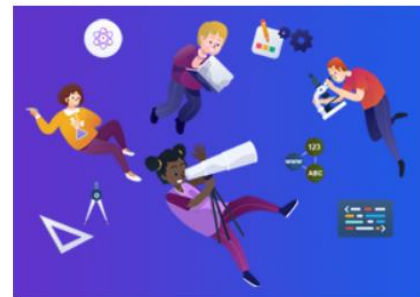
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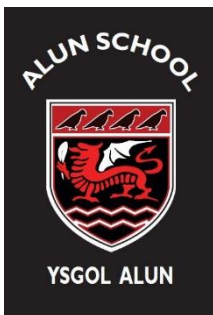
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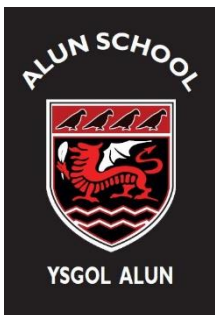
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- Languages literacy and communication
- Health and wellbeing

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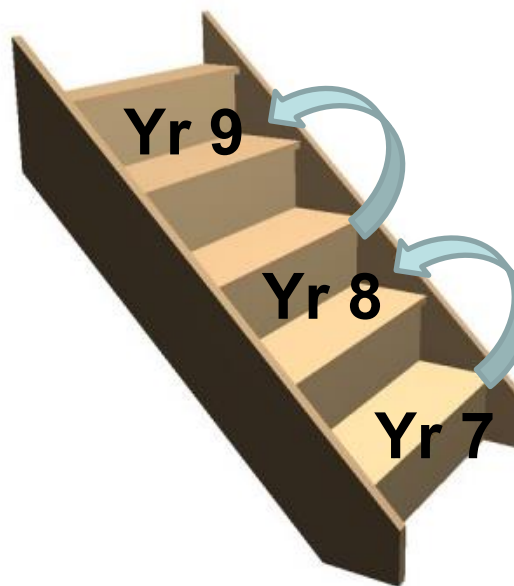


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Cross-Curricular Skills

- Literacy
- Numeracy
- Digital Competency



Progression in skills

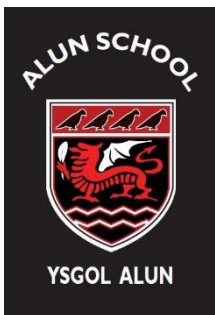


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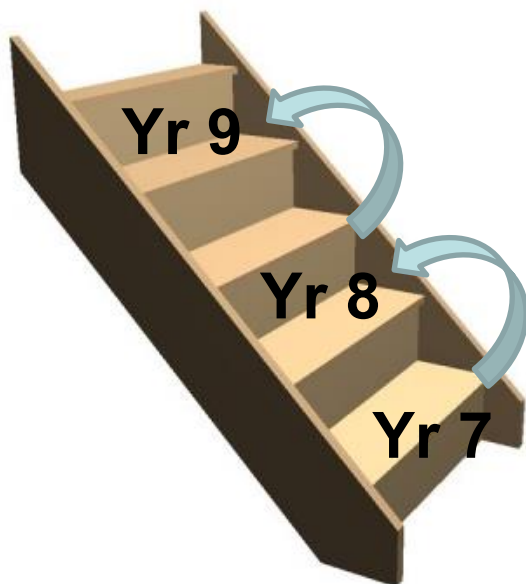
Concrete → Abstract

Naive → Sophisticated

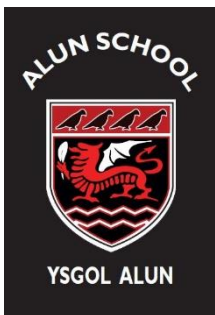
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Progression in skills - Example



Strand	Yr7	Yr8	Yr9
Literacy	use varied and appropriate vocabulary accurately, including subject-specific words and phrases.	use technical terms, language and expression consistent with the subject content.	use a wide range of technical terms, language and expression consistent with the subject content.
Numeracy	collect own data for a survey, e.g. through designing a questionnaire	plan how to collect data to test hypotheses	test hypotheses, making decisions about how best to record and analyse the information from large data sets
Digital Competence	I can use online collaborative platforms to create and edit a file, e.g. word processing, presentation tools and spreadsheets.	I can work with others to create an online collaborative project for a specific purpose, sharing and appropriately setting permissions for other group members, e.g. editing, commenting, viewing.	I can independently select and use a range of online collaboration tools to create a project with others in one or more languages, e.g. making use of online technology to share and present ideas to others.



What we teach – Academic Curriculum



Cymraeg Bob Dydd

Cofrestr Register



Cymraeg

- Pawb yn barod?
- Ydan
- Barod
- Ydi ... yma?
- Yma
- Ddim yma
- Absennol
- Mae ... yn sâl
- Ble mae ...?

Saesneg

- Everyone ready?
- Yes
- Ready!
- Is ... here?
- Here
- Not here
- Absent
- ... is ill
- Where is...?

Cyfarch Greeting

Cymraeg

- Helo
- Bore da
- P'nawn da
- Noswaith dda
- Nos da
- Hwyl
- Hwyl fawr



Saesneg

- Hello
- Good morning
- Good afternoon
- Good evening
- Good night
- Bye
- Goodbye

Handwritten signature

Gorchmynion Commands

Cymraeg

- Dewch i mewn
- Eisteddwch i lawr
- Brysiwch!
- Gwrandewch
- Edrychwch yma
- Pawb yn ddistaw
- Llaw i fyny
- Gweithiwch gyda phardner
- Trafodwch gyda phardner
- Tacluswch



Saesneg

- Come in
- Sit down
- Hurry up!
- Listen
- Look here
- Everyone quiet
- Hand up
- Work with a partner
- Discuss with a partner
- Tidy up

Canmol Praising

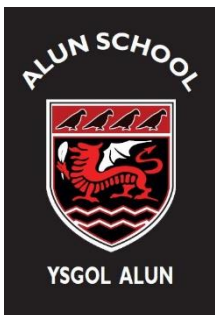
Cymraeg

- Rhagorol
- Ardderchog
- Ateb da
- Da iawn ti!
- Gwaith da
- Gwaith taclus
- Ymdrech dda



Saesneg

- Outstanding
- Excellent
- A good answer
- Well done you!
- Good work
- Tidy work
- Good effort



What we teach – Pastoral Curriculum



- Wellbeing activities
- Group discussions
- DACW
- Assemblies
- Literacy and Numeracy activities
- Virtue of the week

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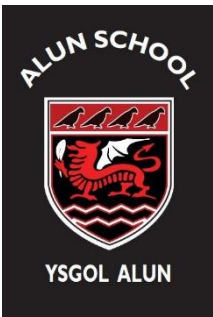
Designated PSE mornings
each year



Arbennigydd yr Alun
Alun Expert

Enw:

Dosbarth:



What we teach – Pastoral Curriculum



Relationships and Sexual Education – Statutory

Three strands

- relationships and identity
- sexual health and well-being
- empowerment, safety and respect.

developmentally appropriate for learners.

<https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2022-01/curriculum-for-wales-relationships-sexuality-education-code.pdf>

Tutor activities // PSE programme // In all lessons



How we teach

Direct instruction and Independent work

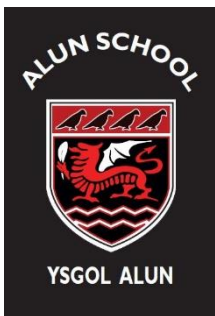


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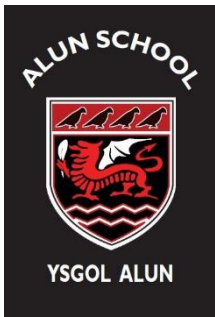
Independent work





Authentic learning contexts





Interdisciplinary and Multidisciplinary



Interdisciplinary



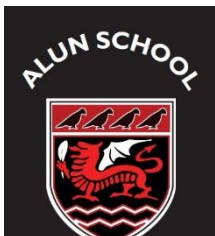
Learning in music, art, media, dance and Drama all contributing/combined to project work on 'Gardens'

Multidisciplinary

Sustainability from different viewpoints:

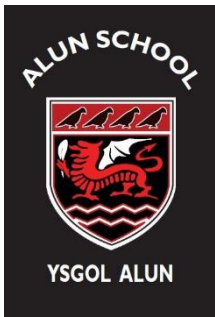
- Scientific
- Economic
- Ethical
- Historical





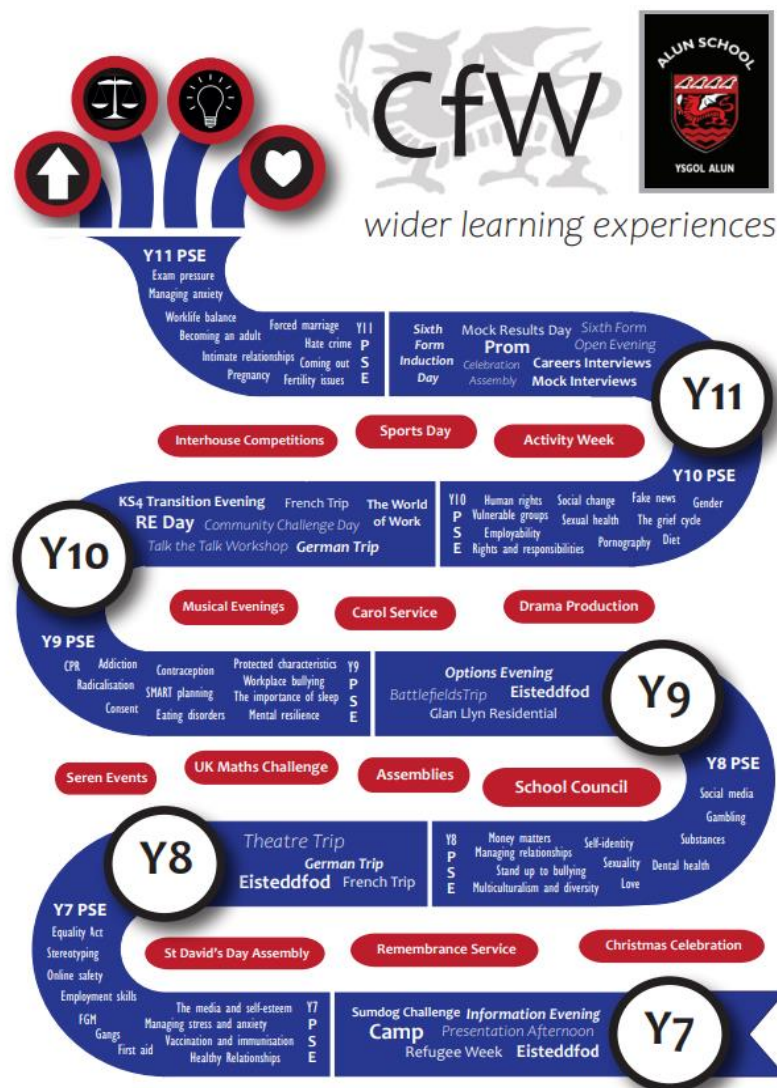
World of Work

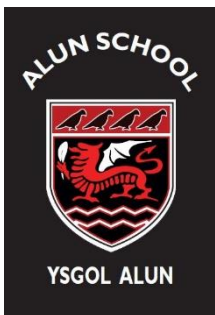




The experiences
students have

Roadmap





1. Interhouse Programme



Swimming Gala

Mini Marathon

Eisteddfod

Hockey

Cross country

Rugby

Debating

Pancake race

Football

Netball

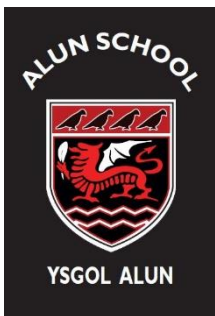
Quiz League

Cricket

Sports Day

Rounders





Leadership Opportunities



House Council



School Council



Sports Captains



Clubs / Committees



Subject lead learners



Charity



In Lessons



Interhouse



Gwener Friday		Iau Thursday		Mercher Wednesday		Mawrth Tuesday		Llun Monday	
PE Yr7-8 Badminton Sports hall		PE Football Astroturf Yr9-11		PE Badminton Yr7-9 Sports hall		PE Yr9-11 Basketball Sportshall		PE Yr9-11 Badminton Sports hall	
Morning Mile Club Sports Centre CJ & RS		PE Yr7-8 Basketball Sports hall		Morning Mile Club Sports Centre CJ & RS		Hockey Sports Centre		Girls' Cricket Sports Hall	
Concert Band C23		Acting Club Yr7-11 Drama Studio		Senior Choir C23		Jazz Band C23		Chess Club L28 HY	
Reading Club 'Silent Fridays' Library CJ				Board Game Club L31 YB WED				Spirituality and Wellbeing Club C19	
PE Yr9-11 Badminton Sports hall TS		Creative Writing Club L26 HP		Strings Group C1 EF		KS3 and GCSE Art and Design Drop in C38, C39, C40		KS3 and GCSE Art and Design Drop in C38, C39 & C40	
e-sports L7 GW		KS3 and GCSE Art and Design Drop in C38, C39, C41		KS3 and GCSE Art and Design Drop in C38, C40, C41		Dance Club - Expressive Arts Yr7-9 Drama Studio		Dance Club - Expressive Arts Yr7-9 Drama Studio	
Table Tennis Sports Centre		Language and Culture Club M7		Computer Science Club L5		Netball (Yr9-11) Sports Hall PJ		Junior Choir C23	
Yoga Sports centre RW		Basketball		Functional Fitness Sports Hall LD		Maths Homework Club Maths Department		Badminton (Yr7-8)	
KS3 and GCSE Art and Design C39, C40, C41		Dance Fitness Sports centre EG		String Group Music		Lego Club T10		Debate and Philosophy Club L1	
		Boxercise Sports Centre		Yr7-9 Science Club C4		Dodgeball (Yr7-9)		Yr7-9 Film Club C30 CS	
PE Badminton Sports hall TS		PE Hockey Astroturf RW		Aura Gym Pupil Session Gym members only		PE Netball Sports Hall PJ		Aura Gym Pupil Session Gym members only	
		Warhammer Club All Years L5				PE Yr7-9 Girls' Football Astroturf RWJAR			
		Aura Gym Pupil Session Gym members only		PE Kayaking Swimming Pool BI		Great Alun Bake Off See department for details			
						PE Yr7-8 Boys' Football Astroturf JIN, LD, AL			
PE Yr7-8 Free Swim Swimming Pool TS		PE Yr7-8 Free Swim Swimming Pool TS		PE Rugby Boys Yr7-9		PE Yr7-8 Gymnastics Sports Centre Gym TS, MB			
		PE Basketball Sports Hall LD		Dungoens and Dragons Club L1				Dungoens and Dragons Club All Years L1	
Aura Gym Pupil Session Gym members only		PE Sx60 Dodgeball Sports Centre		PE Rugby Girls Yr7-9		Aura Gym Pupil Session Gym members only			



Music Lessons & Ensembles >

Lessons In School

Lessons In School take place during term time, in school hours. We teach a wide range of instruments as well as offering singing lessons, and theory and aural training.

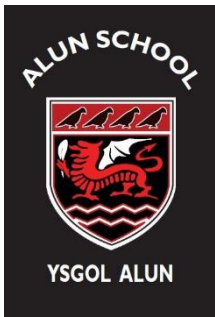
Our experienced Music tutors provide lessons for a variety of ages and experience levels, from beginner to advanced, in almost all primary and secondary schools in Flintshire.

Find out more about our talented tutors! [Meet the team](#)

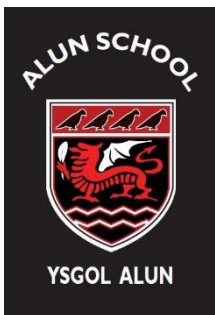
If you are looking for lessons outside of school hours [click here](#).

The cost of your lesson depends on the type of lesson you have.

<https://www.theatrclwyd.com/take-part/music/lessons-in-school>



Logistics and Structure



Greater specialisation as they progress



Year 7	Yr7 & 8 – Consistent core curriculum
Year 8	
Year 9	Core curriculum + option
Year 10	Core curriculum + wide range of options
Year 11	
Year 12	More than 30 subjects offered at post-16
Year 13	

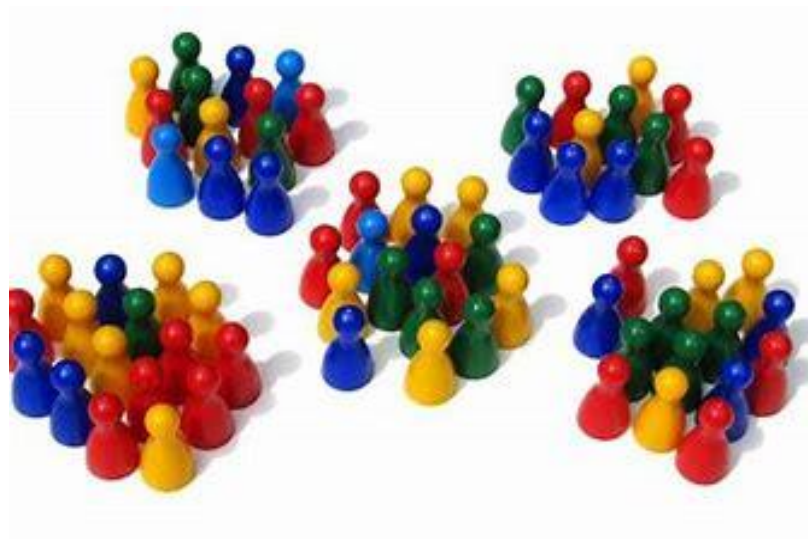
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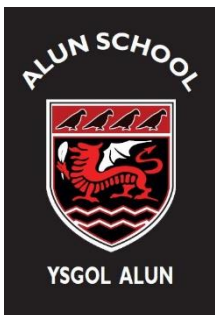


Yr7 mixed ability throughout

Attainment grouping in some subjects from year 8

All students receive work at an appropriate level of demand to
maximise their progress

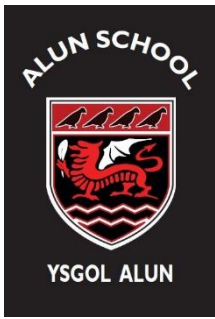




Sets / Streams



Subject	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
Maths	Mixed	Sets	Sets
English	Mixed	Mixed	Sets & Mixed
Cymraeg	Mixed	Sets	Sets
Science	Mixed	Sets	Sets
PE	Mixed	Sets	Mixed + Option
DT	Mixed	Mixed	Mixed
French / German	Mixed	Sets	Sets
Humanities	Mixed	Mixed	Mixed
Exp Arts	Mixed	Mixed	Mixed



Support

Key equipment





Alun School – Essential Equipment List





Black Pen



Pencil



Any rubber



Any sharpener



Scientific calculator



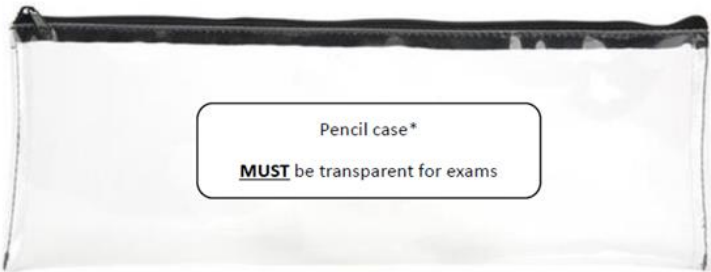
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Compass



Ruler

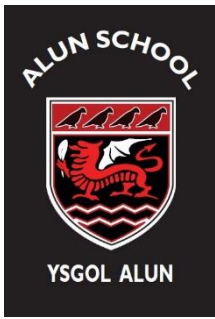


Pencil case*

MUST be transparent for exams

Remember

Email or talk to your tutor/house office if you have difficulty getting equipment – they can help you access it.



Reporting



Reporting and Spot Checks



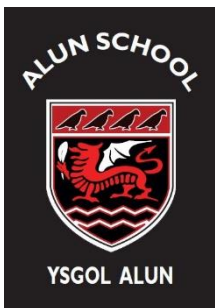
Learning Score

Term 1

Subject	BEHAVIOUR shows respect for their learning and the learning of others	CLASSWORK is completed as well as possible in line with ability	HOMEWORK is completed as well as possible in line with ability	ENGAGEMENT and EFFORT promotes learning	ORGANISATION of work and equipment enables learning	Shows PERSONAL EFFECTIVENESS in learning from feedback and correcting mistakes	PUNCTUALITY enables learning
English Language	1	2	3	2	3	2	1
Mathematics	1	2	1	1	1	2	1
Biology	1	2	1	2	1	2	1
Chemistry	1	2	1	2	1	2	1
Physics	1	2	1	1	1	2	1
German	2	3	2	2	2	2	1
History	1	2	1	2	1	2	1
R.S	1	2	3	1	2	2	1
Welsh	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
GCSE Skills	1	1	1	2	1	3	1
P.E.	1	1	1	1	1	2	1

Learning Score Descriptors

- 1 – The student demonstrates this **all or almost all** of the time.
- 2 – The student demonstrates this **most** of the time
- 3 – The student demonstrates this **sometimes**, but improvements should be made
- 4 – The student **rarely** demonstrates this and significant improvements are needed



Reporting and Spot Checks



Reports and Spot Checks

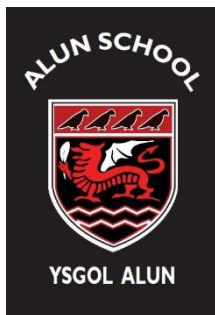
Spot check 1:	December
Spot check 2:	March
Spot check 3 and written report:	June

Parents' Evening

Year 7's parents' evening will take place at Alun School on **Thursday the 22nd of January from 16:00 – 18:30**

Full details will be provided nearer the time.

Booking will be via the Edulink App – opens two weeks before parents' evening



Progress Check



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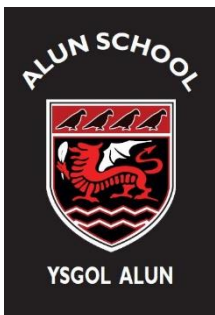


What is EdulinkOne?

Edulink One is our new parent and student engagement portal to provide information regarding achievement, timetables, attendance, contact information and reports. Edulink One will allow you as a parent/carer to keep up to date with your child's learning and progress at Alun School. Edulink can be accessed via an App on your mobile or through the school website.

Edulink One will provide allow you as a parent/carer to:

- Monitor Attendance
- Monitor Behaviour
- Monitor Achievement
- Monitor Homework
- Update contact information
- Access timetables, including exam dates and clubs.
- Access the school calendar and key dates



School Aims



- To **support** students to become ambitious, capable learners through a culture of high expectations
- To **empower** students to become ethical, informed citizens of Wales and the world
- To **promote opportunities** for students to become enterprising, creative contributors to the school and wider community
- To **encourage** students to become healthy, confident individuals through excellent care, support and guidance

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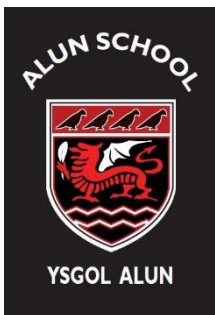
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WE AIM TO BE:

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