



WELCOME TO THE 2026/2027 ACADEMIC YEAR

Welcome to the first edition of our enrichment curriculum newsletter for the 2026/2027 academic year. At Blackpool Aspire Academy, we believe in providing a holistic education extending far beyond the traditional classroom setting. Our robust enrichment programme is designed to foster curiosity, build essential life skills, encourage civic engagement, and raise students' aspirations for future education and careers.

This term is densely scheduled with workplace encounters, higher education visits, career-focused assemblies, dynamic workshops in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) and the Arts, and vital health and well-being sessions. We are dedicated to offering diverse experiences that help every student discover their passions and achieve their full potential.

News & Highlights: September 2026

PAST MONTH SUMMARY



Y11 Physics at Work in Cambridge

14th – 15th September 2026

43 Year 11 STEM enthusiasts and staff completed an illuminating two-day residential at Cambridge University. Pupils engaged in "Physics at Work" workshops at the Cavendish Laboratory and Churchill College, discovering physics research pathways.



Geography Field Trip to Castlehead

18th – 19th September 2026

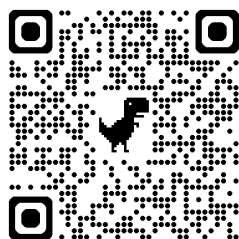
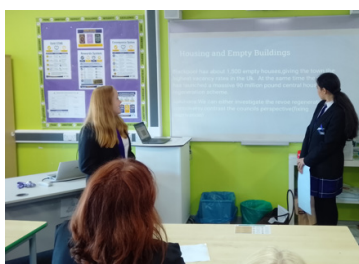
35 Year 10 & 11 students participated in an intensive geography residential at Castlehead Field Centre. Students executed primary data collection and fieldwork vital for GCSE exam prep while strengthening team resilience.



CGI & DWP Workplace Encounters

16th & 23rd September 2026

Year 9 launched their first Workplace Encounters with CGI & DWP through an introductory assembly followed by a full-cohort Young Dreamers Innovation Challenge Day developing digital problem-solving skills.



Post-16 Careers & College Assemblies

September 2026 • Y10 & Y11

Guidance assemblies commenced with Myerscough College (21st Sept) and Cardinal Newman College (28th Sept) presenting post-16 pathways to Year 11, and Blackpool & The Fylde College addressing Year 10 (23rd Sept).





Year 11 Period 6 Booster Sessions Schedule

AUTUMN TERM 2026

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Science Targeted GCSE Science Booster & Revision	Digital Tech Maths GCSE Art	English French (Wk A Higher / Wk B Found.) GCSE Geography Business & Dig Tech (Coursework)	Business Digital Tech History GCSE Art	Business Revision Maths (Grade 7–9 Advanced)

Extra-Curricular Enrichment Timetable

AUTUMN TERM 2026

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch time club (invite only), B15  	Lunch time club (invite only), B15  	Lunch time club (invite only), B15  	Lunch time club (invite only), B15  	Lunch time club (invite only), B15  
Football, pitches  	Football, pitches  	Football, pitches  	Football, pitches  	Football, pitches  
KS4 Fitness, SPH, 3-4pm  	Pzazz Musical Theatre Company A11, 3-4pm,    	Pupil Hive Drop in, D8, 3-4pm, Mrs Binos  	Book club, library, 3-4pm, Miss Harley  	KS3 Fitness, SPH, 3-4pm  
Film club, 3-4pm, library, Mrs Turner  	Dungeons and Dragons, library, 3-4pm, Miss Harley    	Y7 Girls gym, SPH, 3-4pm  	Airfix, C9, 3-4pm, Mr Clarke 	
Lego club, 3-4pm, dining hall, Mrs Parvis  	Football girls and boys, SPH, 3-4pm  	Guitar, A6, allocated time, Mr Stone    	Chess, C9, 3-4pm, Mr Clarke 	
	Drums, A6, allocated time, Mr Simpson    	Science Club, 3-4pm, B13, Miss Sefton  	Singing club, A6, 3-4pm, Mr Shaw and Mr Moore    	
		Dance Club, A10, 3-4pm, Miss Spencer    	Badminton, SPH, 3-4pm  	
			Chinese sessions, C7, 3-4pm, Confucius institute teachers (Oct start)  	
			Piano, A6, allocated time, Mr Moore    	

Forthcoming Enrichment Opportunities

OCTOBER – DECEMBER 2026

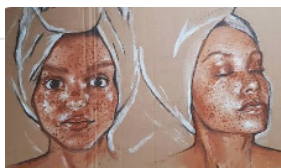
October Highlights

- Preston College Assemblies (Y11: 05/10, Y10: 06/10)
- Blackpool Sixth Assembly (Y10: 07/10)
- ULan Animation Visit (30 Y9s: 08/10)



November Highlights

Green Careers Week (02–06/11)
CGI Innovation Finals at Winter Gardens - 40 Y9s)
ULan Textiles & Fashion Workshop (05/11)
College Assemblies: Myerscough & Blackpool Sixth
Tina Ekongo - Art Council Y10 Art workshops



December Highlights

- Alan Birch 5-Day Art Residency: KS3 and KS4 Printmaking
- 'A Christmas Carol' at The Lowry: 50 English students (15/12)
- Senior Moment Care community visits

