Altum Classical Academy

2026 Curriculum Overview | Board of Trustees & Education Review Office

Intent, Scope, and Structure - Years 7-10

Altum Classical Academy will follow the New Zealand Curriculum as at October 2025 (NZC'25) in respect to phases, knowledge, and practices; alongside charter-specific adaptations outlined below:

Course	Primary Resources	Charter-specific Adaptations	Allocation ⁴	Progression ⁵
English	 NZC'25 – English (Final) Selected Memoria Press² Resources 	 Source texts will be drawn from English Literature Canon. Emphasis will be on texts written in, or translated to the English language from antiquity to the Modern Period. The influence of the Judeo-Christian Tradition on English Literature will be explored and celebrated. Further emphasis will be placed on the agreed classics of The Canon – Shakespeare, etc. 	Four hoursCompulsory for all students.	EnglishMedia, Journalism & Communications
Mathematics	 NZC'25 – Mathematics & Statistics (Final) 	As per NZC'25 in all respects	Four hoursCompulsory for all students.	 Statistics & Data Science Applied Mathematics Mathematics
Humanities	 NZC'25 – Social Sciences (Draft)¹ Selected Memoria Press Resources 	 The greater emphasis will be on the study of history and classics. The progression of core contexts will include: personal whakapapa; New Zealand History; Classical Antiquity; The Middle Ages; and the Modern Era. 	Three hoursCompulsory for all students.	 History Geography Sociology Classical Studies Religious Studies
Science	o NZC'25 – Science (Draft)¹	As per NZC'25 in all respects	Three hoursCompulsory for all students.	ChemistryBiologyScience
Te Reo Māori	 NZC'25 – Learning Languages – Te Reo Māori (Draft)¹ 	 The acquisition of Te Reo Māori is a priority for all Altum students. Specific emphasis will be given to the evolution of Te Reo Māori into language that is both spoken and written. Further emphasis will be placed on stories particular to Ngāti Toa. 	Two hoursCompulsory for all students.	 Te Mātai i te Ao Māori Te Ao Haka Te Reo Māori
Latin	Community MembersSelected Memoria Press Resources	The acquisition of Latin is a priority for all Altum students.	Two hoursCompulsory for all students.	FrenchGermanSpanish
Pillars / Pou ³	 NZC'25 - Health & Physical Education, & Social Sciences (Draft)¹ Selected Memoria Press Resources In-house Resources 	The progressive study and development of the 'Pillars of Character': Trustworthiness Respect Responsibility Fairness Caring Citizenship	Two hoursCompulsory for all students.	 Religious Studies Sociology Psychology
Games / Music / Arts	 In-house Resources NZC'25 – Health & Physical Education, The Arts, Music (Draft)¹ Community Engagement 	The compulsory, self-directed participation in games (of sport and of strategy), visual arts, performing arts, and music.	Three hoursCompulsory for all students.	 Visual Arts Dance Drama Music Physical Education Health Education

¹We will update our school-specific curriculum resources in line with updates to these resources as they are finalised.

² Further information: <u>Home - Memoria Press: Classical Education</u>

³ Course Title to be confirmed after due consultation with staff.

⁴Timetable allocation as a proportion of 25 possible teaching hours per year group, per week.

⁵ Progression to Senior Secondary Phase (Years 11-13)