

BELFAST BOYS' MODEL SCHOOL

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Oh what a night! On Monday we had lots of wonderful pupils and parents visiting our school for Open Night. It was a huge success with all our guests having lots of fun with our fabulous current pupils and getting first-hand experience of what the Model has to offer!

We can't wait to see you in September!



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Dates for your diary

Monday 2nd February – KS3 exams, Year 8 Home Study

Tuesday 3rd February – Year 10 Home Study

Wednesday 4th February – Year 9 Home Study

Friday 6th February – Year 11 and Year 14 only catch-up pupils attend, lunch served at 12.30pm or students can go home

Monday 16th February – Staff Training Day

Tuesday 17th February – all pupils return to school

Important School Bus Information for
Exam Week Monday 2nd Feb- Friday 6th Feb



**Buses will run as normal
next week. However, If you
have an early finish you
will need to make
arrangements for your
journey home.**



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Uniform this week

This week is exam week, there is no PE or Games so all boys should be in full school uniform, **NOT PE kit.**



School Meals update

Free school meals for all pupils finishes on Friday 6th Feb. From **Tuesday 17th Feb**, boys not entitled to Free School Meals will, unfortunately, have to pay for their food in the canteen at lunchtime.

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Parents and Carers

Your Safer Schools NI App!

As a parent and carer, your Safer Schools NI App will help you to navigate the digital world that your children and young people live in every day. It will help by giving you the tools to protect the children and young people in your care online.

Does your child or young person use TikTok, Snapchat, Among Us or Roblox? Do you know how to set privacy settings to keep them safe, or how to block, report and mute other users? With your Safer Schools App, you can get to grips with all of this and more.

Your App will benefit you because...

- It gives you prompts, updates and warnings about online trends and threats, helping you to stay in the loop with the digital world.
- Find out about fake news, influencers, harmful content and more.
- Get to grips with social media and all the various gaming platforms. Learn the latest buzzwords, the risks they might pose and how to set the best privacy settings for your child or young person.

You can take an interactive Quick Quiz to track your learning and test your knowledge!

- Find advice on issues such as bullying, image sharing, mental health, consent and healthy relationships. Learn how to talk to your child or young person about these issues and find out how you can support them should they face these challenges.

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Post-Primary



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Careers Information

Y14 Careers

Y14 have been encouraged to have as many options available to them in August 2026, this will provide them with choice and control over their future. Please encourage your son to apply for some of the apprenticeships currently on offer if he is not considering university as his first choice.

Apprenticeships (Y12, Y13 and Y14)

Thales have released a number of Apprenticeships from Level 2- Level 6. Applications are now open with expected closing date on 12th February 2026. However, it may close earlier if they are oversubscribed. Information on the apprenticeships can be accessed on the link below: <https://careers.thalesgroup.com/global/en/uk-graduate-apprenticeships>

Airbus Belfast (previously Spirit)- Craft Plant Apprenticeships (Level 2). Application closing date is 23rd February 2026. https://ag.wd3.myworkdayjobs.com/en-us/Airbus/details/Craft-Plant-Apprenticeship---Aerostructures_JR10379569?locationCountry=29247e57dbaf46fb855b224e03170bc7&workerSubType=f5811cef9cb501e1db34d41d470a6f15

Transport Training Services (TTS) Apprenticeships- offering a range of Motor Apprenticeships, Transport Apprenticeships and Logistics Apprenticeships. Please visit their website for more information:
<https://transporttraining.org/apprenticeships/>



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Careers Information

NIE Apprentice Academy Applications are live and will close on 9th February.

Various roles are available, use this link to get more information

<https://www.nienetworks.co.uk/careers/students-apprentices/apprenticeships>

PWC Entry Level Operations Apprenticeship- (Year 14 ONLY). Applications for the Operations Apprenticeship at PWC are open. No closing date has been stated, meaning they will close it when they receive a suitable number of applications.
<https://jobs.pwc.co.uk/earlycareers/uk/en/job/EC2025081/Entry-Level-Operate-Belfast>

Work Plus Apprenticeship Applications are now open. Applications will close on 20th February 2026. Pupil must set up an account on their website before being able to view the opportunities.

Further Education College Open Days (Y12, Y13 & Y14)

Northern Regional College Open (Newtownabbey Campus) day will take place Tuesday 3rd February 2026 4pm-8pm.

Belfast Met Apprenticeship Fair (e3 Campus) will take place Friday 6th February 2026 10am-12pm.

If you have any careers related questions or queries, please contact Mrs Ryan
nryan320@c2ken.net

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TOP PUPIL POINTS

A chalkboard with the title 'TOP PUPIL POINTS' in large letters. Below the title are eight student portraits and their details. The students are arranged in two rows of four. The top row includes Jonah Lofthouse (8JB, House Kelvin), Scott McBride (11ON, House Gregg), Ben Skillen (9WH, House Lewis), and Romin Hughes (12BU, House Gregg). The bottom row includes Brodie Hunter (10GR, House Gregg), Daniel Tarr (14SW, House Kelvin), Mbongeni Sibanda (13SM, House Gregg), and an unidentifiable student in a dark suit.

Student	Year Group	House
JONAH LOFTHOUSE	8JB	HOUSE KELVIN
SCOTT MCBRIDE	11ON	HOUSE GREGG
BEN SKILLEN	9WH	HOUSE LEWIS
ROMIN HUGHES	12BU	HOUSE GREGG
BRODIE HUNTER	10GR	HOUSE GREGG
MBONGENI SIBANDA	13SM	HOUSE GREGG
DANIEL TARR	14SW	HOUSE KELVIN



Congratulations to our fabulous Top House Points earners this week - keep it up!



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Lunch-time extra-curricular activities

LUNCHTIME CLUBS AT BBMS

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Homework Club 6a - Rm128, 6b - Rm219 BOTH LUNCHES	Homework Club 6a & 6b - Rm128 BOTH LUNCHES	Dodgeball Year 9, Gym hall 6a lunch	Homework Club 6a & 6b - Rm128 BOTH LUNCHES	Homework Club Years 8 - 10, Rm128 6a lunch
Art Club Yrs 8&10, Rm249 6a lunch	Fortnite Dance Club Year 9, Studio BOTH LUNCHES	Plant Club Years 8, 10 & 11, Rm144 6a lunch	Modern Languages Year 10, Rm216 6a lunch	Plant Club Years 8 - 10, Rm144 6a lunch
History Club Years 8 & 10, Rm228 6a lunch	SA Science Revision Yr11, Rm143 6a lunch	DJ-ing Club Year 8, Rm234 6b lunch	Choir Years 8-12, Rm 234 BOTH LUNCHES	Board Games Years 9 & 10, Rm240 6a lunch
SU Year 8, Rm 212 6a lunch	Eco Club Years 8, 10 & 12, Rm242 6a lunch	Art Club Year 8, 10 & 11, Rm249 6b lunch	Board Games Club Year 8, Rm240 6b lunch	Cookery Club Years 8 & 9, Rm134 6a lunch
Multi-Lingual Club Years 9 & 11, Rm251 6b lunch	Football Years 9, Gym Hall 5 lunch	SU Yr 11, Rm112 5 lunch	SU Years 8 & 11, Rm210 6b lunch	Football Club Years 13 & 14 6a lunch
Science Club Years 9, 11 & 12, Rm142 6b lunch			Warhammer Years 11 - 14, Rm133 6b lunch	Aims Club All year groups, Rm241 6a lunch
LEGO Club Year 9, 11 & 12, Rm148 6b lunch			LEGO Club Years 8 & 11, Rm148 6b lunch	Digi Skills Years 11 & 12, Innovation Lab 6b lunch
Anime Club Years 11 & 12, Rm241 6b lunch			The Way of the Panda Year 8, Rm143 6b lunch	Open Mic Club Years 11 & 12, Rm064 6b lunch



Please remind your son that Homework Club runs EVERY lunchtime except Wednesday. Pupils have access to computers and can get help with their homeworks and coursework.

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Morning and afternoon extracurricular activities

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS AT BBMS

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
Morning football All year groups 8.15 - 8.40 Mugga pitch	Morning football All year groups 8.15 - 8.40 Mugga pitch	Morning football All year groups 8.15 - 8.40 Mugga pitch	Morning football All year groups 8.15 - 8.40 Mugga pitch
Morning Cross-Country & Running Club, Yrs 8&9 8.35am - 8.50am Mount Pleasant	Higher Maths GCSE Clinic: Year 11 8.15 - 8.30 Rm 109	IT Coursework Clinic Years 11 - 14 8.00 - 8.40 Rm 050	IT Coursework Clinic Years 11 - 14 8.00 - 8.40 Rm 050
Homework Club All Years 3.20pm - 4.15pm Rm 128	Basketball Club Year 8 2.00 - 2.50 Sports Hall	Badminton Years 9, 11 & 12 3.20 - 4.00 Sports Hall	Football - team & social Year 9 2.50-3.50 Mt. Pleasant
Football - teams & social Year 10 3.30pm - 4.15pm Mount Pleasant	Football - teams & social Year 8 2.15 - 3.20 Mount Pleasant	Homework Club All Years 3.20pm - 4.15pm Rm 128	Rugby Club All year groups 2.40 - 3.50 Mt. Pleasant
	Table Tennis All year groups 2.15 - 3.15 Rm Hall		Catch-Up Clinics Years 11 - 14 2.00 - 4.00 Range of subjects: + IT, Travel & Tourism & Sports Studies
	History Club All year groups 2.00-2.40 Rm 230		Homework Club All year groups 2.40 - 3.30 Rm 128
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Is your son struggling with some aspects of his homework?

Are you unsure how to support him? Please send him to
HOMEWORK CLUB where he will receive all the help he needs.

JOIN US!



HOMEWORK CLUB: HELP WHEN YOU NEED IT

Lunchtime - Every day, Rm128 except Monday 6b
in Rm219

After school - Monday - Thursday, Rm128

Complete and get help with your homework...
Help with revision for classes tests... Retrieval resources available...
Any questions answered....

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