

PARENT BULLETIN

24TH-28TH MARCH 2025

BELFAST BOYS' MODEL SCHOOL



This week at the Model

- **Mock Exams**- Mock exams begin this week for pupils in Y11-14. Please ensure your son arrives to school on time with all equipment required for his exam. If you have any questions about exams, please contact Mrs Weir for Y11, Mr Carlisle for Y12 and Miss McGibbon for Y13/14.
- **Parents/Carers of pupils in Y9, 10, 13 and 14- Please** complete the survey below by 26th March 2025 if you would like to opt-out of the Love For Life workshops.
- **Careers Update**- a wide range of work experience opportunities have been shared with pupils in Y12-14 via MS Teams. Please check these out.
- Please find information below on our Parental Support Officer. Her email address has been included should you require any advice.

Have a lovely week

Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 25th-Friday 28th March

- Y11-14 Mock Exams

Upcoming dates.....

Thursday 3rd April

- Y12 Parent Teacher consultations

Tuesday 8th April

- Y13 and 14 Parent Teacher consultations

Wednesday 9th April

- School finishes for Easter for pupils in Y8-10

Thursday 10th and Friday 11th April

- Easter School- Y11-14

Friday 11th April

- School finishes for Easter for pupils in Y11-14

Monday 14th-Friday 25th April

- Easter Holidays

Monday 28th April

- School returns for ALL pupils.



Our core values of respect, integrity and commitment permeate all that we do.

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Love For Life Workshops

Pupils in Y9, 10, 13 and 14 will be participating in Love for Life workshops on 2.4.25 as part of the compulsory RSE curriculum. Love For Life is a Christian charity with a long-standing reputation for delivering holistic Relationships and Sexuality Education (RSE) in all school types and in many different community settings across Northern Ireland. Each year group above will have 1 session on the 2.4.25 and the session will be age appropriate. If you **DO NOT** wish for your son to take part- please complete the MS Form no later than the **26.3.25**.

Love For Life Workshops.



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Mock Exams- Y11

Year 11 Mock Exam Timetable March 2025

| | | | | | | | |
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| Tuesday 25 th March | Session 1 9.00-10.00 | | Session 2 10.40-11.40 | | Session 3 12.30-2.00 | | |
| | DA Science- Physics | | DA Science: Chemistry | | GCSE Music | | |
| Wednes day 26 th March | Session 1 8.50 – 9.50 | | Session 2 11.00- 12.45 | | Session 3 1.30-3.00 | | |
| | ICT Digital Technologies | Gym | English | Gym + Studio | Politics | GYM | |
| Thursday 27 th March | Session 1 8.50- 10.35 | | Session 2 11.15-12.45 | | Session 3 1.45- end times vary | | |
| | History Unit 1 | Assembly Hall | Technology & Design: Unit 1 | Gym | Travel and Tourism resit | 1.45- 3.00 | Assembly Hall |
| | | | DA Science: Biology | Gym | Further Maths | 1.45- 3.15 | Assembly Hall |
| Friday 28 th March | Session 1 8.50-10.50 | | Session 2 11.15- 12.45 | | Session 3 1.20. 2.20 | | |
| | English Literature Unit 1 | Assembly Hall | Maths | Assembly Hall | Public Services Resit | Studio | |

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Mock Exams- Y12

Year 12 Mock Exam Timetable – March 2025

| | Session 1 9.00-10.30 | | Session 2 10.45-12.45 | | | Session 3 12.30-2.00 | | |
|----------------------------|--|--------------------|---|-------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Tuesday 25th March | Religious Studies Short Course | Studio | Art | | Art Rooms | Geography- Physical Geography resit | | Studio |
| | Music | Music Room | | | | | | |
| | Session 1 8.50- 11.05 | | Session 2 12.00- 1.30 | | | Session 3 Times Vary | | |
| Wednesday 26th March | Maths | Assembly Hall | Geography Human Geography | | Assembly Hall | Art | 2.00- 3.20 | Art Rooms |
| | | | Technology & Design Unit 2 – Product Design | | Assembly Hall | Further Maths | 2.00-3.00 | Assembly Hall |
| Thursday 27th March | Session 1 8.50- 10.05 | | Session 2 11.00-12.45 | | | Session 3 1.45-3.00 | | |
| | History Unit 2 | Assembly Hall | English Unit 1 | | Assembly Hall | Science DA Physics | Assembly Hall | |
| Friday 28th March | Session 1 8.50-10.50 | | Session 2 11.30-end times vary | | | Session 3 1.20- end times vary | | |
| | English Literature Controlled Assessment | English Classrooms | Government & Politics Unit 2 | 11.15-12.45 | Gym | SA Science: Biology | 1.20-2.20 | Assembly Hall |
| | | | Travel + Tourism resit | 11.15-12.15 | Gym | DA Science Biology | 1.20- 2.35 | Assembly Hall |

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Mock Exams- Y13

Year 13 Mock Exam Timetable March 2025

| | Session 1 8.50- end times vary | | | Session 2 11.00- end times vary | | | Session 3 1.15- end times vary | | |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------|---------------|--|-------------|-------------------------|---|-----------|---------|
| Wednesday 26th March | GCSE English Unit 1 | 8.50-10.35 | Library | Sport Unit 1 Body Systems | 11.00-12.30 | Library* Room Change | UPS U2 Resit Behaviour and Discipline in the Public Services | 1.15-3.15 | Library |
| | Government & Politics | 8.50-10.05 | Library | Technology and Design Paper 1 +2 | 11.00-1.00 | Rm 224 | AS Maths Applied | 1.15-2.30 | Library |
| | Environmental Technologies Unit 1 | 8.50-10.20 | | Travel and Tourism Resit | 11.00-12.30 | Library | IT Unit 2 databases | 1.15-3.15 | 049 |
| | | | | Sociology | 11.00-12.30 | Library | | | |
| Thursday 27th March | Session 1 8.50- end times vary | | | Session 2 11.00- 12.45 | | | Session 3 1.10-2.40 | | |
| | History AS Germany | 8.50-10.20 | Assembly Hall | GCSE English Unit 4 | | Assembly Hall | Environmental Technologies | | Studio |
| | ICT Unit 1 Information Systems | 8.50-10.50 | Gym | Government & Politics British Political Processes | | Gym | | | |
| | Business: Personal Finance | 8.50-10.50 | Gym | | | | | | |
| | Nutrition and Food Science | 8.50-10.50 | Gym | | | | | | |
| Friday 28th March | Session 1 | | | Session 2 Exam times vary- check carefully | | | Session 3 1.30-2.30 | | |
| | History AS Russia | 8.50-10.20 | Assembly Hall | Media Studies | 11.00-1.30 | Studio | | | |
| | IT Unit 11 Cyber Security | 8.50-10.20 | Room 049 | AS Maths (Pure) | 11.30-12.45 | Gym | | | |
| | Nutrition and Food Science Practical | 8.50-12.20 | HE Rooms | GCSE Maths | 11.30-1.30 | Gym | | | |

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Mock Exams- Y14

Year 14 Exam Timetable – March 2025

| | | | | | | | | |
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| Tuesday 25 th March | All Day | | | | | | | |
| | Engineering | | | | | | | |
| Wednesday 26 th March | Session 1 8.50- 11.50 | | Session 2 11.00- End Times Vary | | | Session 3 1.30- 3.00 | | |
| | Technology & Design | Rm 224a | History: Clash of Ideologies | 11.00-12.15 | Lib | Sport Unit 4: Health and Safety in Sport | Room 224 | |
| | | | Art (1) | 11.00-1.00 | Art Rooms | Maths (Applied) | Assembly Hall | |
| Thursday 27 th March | Session 1 8.50- 11.05 | | Session 2 Exam times vary- check carefully | | | Session 3 1.30-3.45 | | |
| | Government & Politics | Library | Media Studies | 11.15-1.45 | Rm 219 | | | |
| | | | UPS Unit 6: Government+ the Protective Services (resit) | 11.15-12.45 | Gym | | | |
| | | | Maths (Pure) | 11.15-1.45 | | | | |
| Friday 28 th March | Session 1 8.50- End Times Vary | | Session 2 11.00- End Times Vary | | | Session 3 1.30-3.45 | | |
| | Government & Politics: Political Power | 8.50-10.20 | Assembly Hall | History: Ireland | 11.00-1.30 | | | |
| | | | | Biology | 11.00-1.15 | | | |
| | Environmental Technologies Unit 1 | 8.50-10.50 | | Art (2) | 11.00-12.30 | | | Art Rooms |
| | | | | Business | 11.00-1.00 | | | Assembly Hall |

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Clubs @ BBMS

TWO new clubs- African Drumming & Warhammer

LUNCHTIME CLUBS AT BBMS

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Choir Years 8, 9 & 11 6b lunch | Indoor Football Year 10 5 lunch | Indoor Football Year 14 6a lunch | Modern Languages Year 10 6a lunch | Plant Club Years 8, 9, 13 & 14 6a lunch |
| A-Level Tech. catch-up Years 13&14 6a lunch | Lego Year 10 5 | Dodgeball Year 9 6a lunch | Eco Club Year 9, 10 13 & 14 6a lunch | Lego Club Years 8 & 9 6a lunch |
| Lego Club Year 10 6a lunch | Choir Years 8, 9 & 12 6a lunch | Minecraft Year 9 6a lunch | The FIT project Years 10 & 11 6b lunch | Multi-Lingual Club Years 8 & 9 6a lunch |
| Chess Club Years 8, 9 & 11 6b lunch | Modern Languages Years 8, 9 & 12 6a lunch | DJ-ing Year 8 6b lunch | SU Year 8 6b lunch | Film Club All year groups Both lunches |
| | | SU Years 10 & 11 6b lunch | Warhammer Club All Year Groups 6b lunch | Sports Club Years 10, 11 & 12 6b lunch |
| | | Art Club Year 8, 10 & 11 6b lunch | Open Mic Club Years 8, 11 & 12 6b lunch | |



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS AT BBMS

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY |
|--|--|--|--|
| Homework Club All year groups 3.20 - 4.00 Rm. 128 | Homework Club All year groups 2.00 - 2.40 Rm. 128 | Homework Club All year groups 3.20 - 4.00 Rm. 128 | Homework Club All year groups 2.40 - 3.30 Rm. 128 |
| Football Year 10 - A & B Teams 3.20 - 4.20 Sports Hall & Mt. Pleasant | Football Year 8 2.15 - 3.20 Mt Pleasant | History Club All year groups 3.20 - 4.00 Rm246 | Football Year 9 2.50 - 3.50 Mt. Pleasant |
| Performing Arts All year groups 3.20 - 4.20 Studio | Lego Club All year groups 2.00 - 2.40 Rm 140 | Table Tennis Club All year groups 3.20-4.20 Gym | Cookery Club All year groups 2.40-3.40 HE Rooms |
| | Maths Club All year groups 2.00 - 2.40 Rm 106 | Maths Club All year groups 3.20 - 4.00 Rm 109 | Badminton All year groups 2.40-3.40 Games Hall |



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Football Fixtures

| Date | Year / School | kit | Meet time | Kick off | venue | coach |
|------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|----------------|----------|------------------|
| Mon 24/3 | Yr 9b vs Parkhall EA League | They wear blue | 1.05pm (15 minutes early) | 1.50 or 2pm | Parkhall | Mr O'Rawe |
| Thursday 27/3 | Yr 10b vs Parkhall EA League | tbc | 12.40pm | 1.45pm | Parkhall | Mr McCausland |
| Friday 28/3 | Yr 8b Blitz vs EA Schools | tbc | 12pm | 1.15pm | 3 mile | Mr Smith |



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Pupil Success and Achievement

🎉 Congratulations to pupils in Y13 and 14 on their fantastic reports. We are so proud of their efforts. 🎉



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Pupil Success and Achievement

Year 8

🎉 Huge congratulations to Muhammad who has just passed 2000 positive reward points. A remarkable achievement for a fantastic young man!! Also, a huge well done to Connor, Justin, Ethan and Callum who received 'Above and Beyond' recognition from their year head for their continued contributions to school life. All of these boys always go out of their way to live out our core values of 'Respect, Integrity and Commitment!' 🎉



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BEAMA Shared Education Project

Some of our Year 10 pupils have been working with our friends from Mercy College on a project facilitated by Belfast Electronic Arts & Music Academy. The participant led sessions are aimed at empowering pupils to explore technology and unleash their creativity through interactive sessions and hands-on learning!

Workshops on the project include music production, graphic design, digital art, animation, and AI. Scan the QR to have a look at what they have been creating.

BOYS MODEL /MERCY



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House Points

WELL DONE to our top point achievers in each house this week.

TOP PUPIL POINTS

| Name | House | Points |
|----------------|---------------|--------|
| JUDE BROWN | HOUSE KELVIN | 8GF |
| BRYCE DUNSEITH | HOUSE LEWIS | 11CK |
| JACK DUNN | HOUSE GREGG | 9SI |
| MASON WHITE | HOUSE BRANAGH | 12SM |
| JAKE BUTLER | HOUSE BRANAGH | 10OW |
| NOAH FLEMMING | HOUSE GREGG | 14PR |
| CODIE MCAULEY | HOUSE GREGG | 13EF |

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Parental Support Officer

JACQUI COOMBS - PARENTAL SUPPORT OFFICER

Many of you will already be familiar with me. You may have met me during your son's Transition Home Visit or perhaps at our Transition summer scheme. In addition to this, I facilitate The Parent Support Group alongside Lynn from Street Beat. I organise and run the BBMS Uniform Drive, which includes a year-round uniform swap/replacement scheme. I complete Home Visits on behalf of Year Heads/Counsellors to offer support for attendance issues or to help parents and their sons access Full-Service Support. I also liaise with outside providers and Community Support Organisations to help parents access financial support, food vouchers, and family support. I am here to help, and my email is jcoombs846@c2ken.net.



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Parent Support



The poster features a central illustration of a child in a green nightgown and slippers, tucked under a green blanket, with a purple circular glow behind their head. The text 'SLEEP SUPPORT SESSIONS' is written in a large, blue, curved font across the middle. The background is a light yellow with decorative elements like a sun icon in the top left and purple starburst icons in the top right.

Emotional Health and Wellbeing Team
EHWBT@belfasttrust.hscni.net
Tel: 028 9504 004
Everton Complex
585-587 Crumlin Road,
Belfast, BT147GB

SLEEP SUPPORT SESSIONS

FOR PARENTS/CARERS OF A CHILD OR YOUNG PERSON (0-18) WHO IS WAITING FOR ASSESSMENT BY THE AUTISM SERVICE, ADHD SERVICE OR THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CLINIC AND DOES NOT YET HAVE A DIAGNOSIS.

MONDAY 14TH APRIL 2025
10:00 - 11:30
ASHTON CENTRE
5 CHURCHILL STREET,
BELFAST, BT15 2BP

TUESDAY 15TH APRIL 2025
18:00 - 19:30
BRADBURY UTC
LISBURN RD,
BELFAST BT9 7AA

MONDAY 14TH APRIL 2025
18:00 - 19:30 ONLINE VIA MS TEAMS

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EATING DISORDERS AWARENESS SESSION



Thursday 10th April 2025
10am - 12:30pm

This session will provide you with an understanding of the major eating disorders in the UK and the impact they can have on people's day-to-day lives.

We'll also cover risk factors and early warning signs and symptoms of various eating disorders as well as our guidance and information on signposting someone to support.

We conclude with the opportunity to submit your own questions to our Lived Experience Trainer for advice and insight.

When

Thursday 10th April 2025
10am-12:30pm.

How

Delivered via Zoom, details will be sent the week of the session to anyone who has booked.

Beat
Eating disorders

Booking Required

Book using this link:
<https://bit.ly/April10Session>
or scan the QR code below.



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Family Fun Day

Sunday 6th April 2025
10.15am to 12pm at W5, Belfast

Join us for

World Autism Acceptance Week

- Amazing interactive exhibitions
- Fun interactive activities
- A unique experience for all the family



Northern Ireland's Autism Charity

Sunday 6th April 2025

10.15am to 12pm at W5, Belfast

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FREE EVENT

Exclusively for Autism NI Members

To register for this event, please email: waaw@autismni.org **with a total of adults children and any under 3s attending.**



www.autismni.org

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PARENTING FOCUS summerhill foundation

SUMMERHILL COST OF LIVING PARENTING PROGRAMME

4 week Online programme for parents

- Week 1 Nutrition and Healthy Eating
- Week 2 Taking care of the Pennies
- Week 3 Making ends Meet
- Week 4 Wellbeing

 Meet and discuss family life in a safe environment

 Pick up tips on how to become more confident in handling the daily pressures parents face


Date: Wednesdays
19th, 26th
March 2025
2nd, 9th
April 2025

Venue:
Online via Zoom

Time:
7pm - 9pm

It is our hope that this programme will allow families a happier home life and children will feel more secure as they are given the **support and love** to enable them to reach their full potential in life.

For more information and to register, please contact the Parenting Focus Support Line. The lines are open Monday-Thursday 9.30am -3.30pm and Friday 9.30am-12.30pm.



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Showcasing Parenting Support Programmes in NI

Join us to hear from evidence based parenting programme developers, and practitioners who deliver them locally in NI.

When: Monday 24th March 9.30am-12.30pm

Where: Online

Scan QR Code or
[click](#) to register

