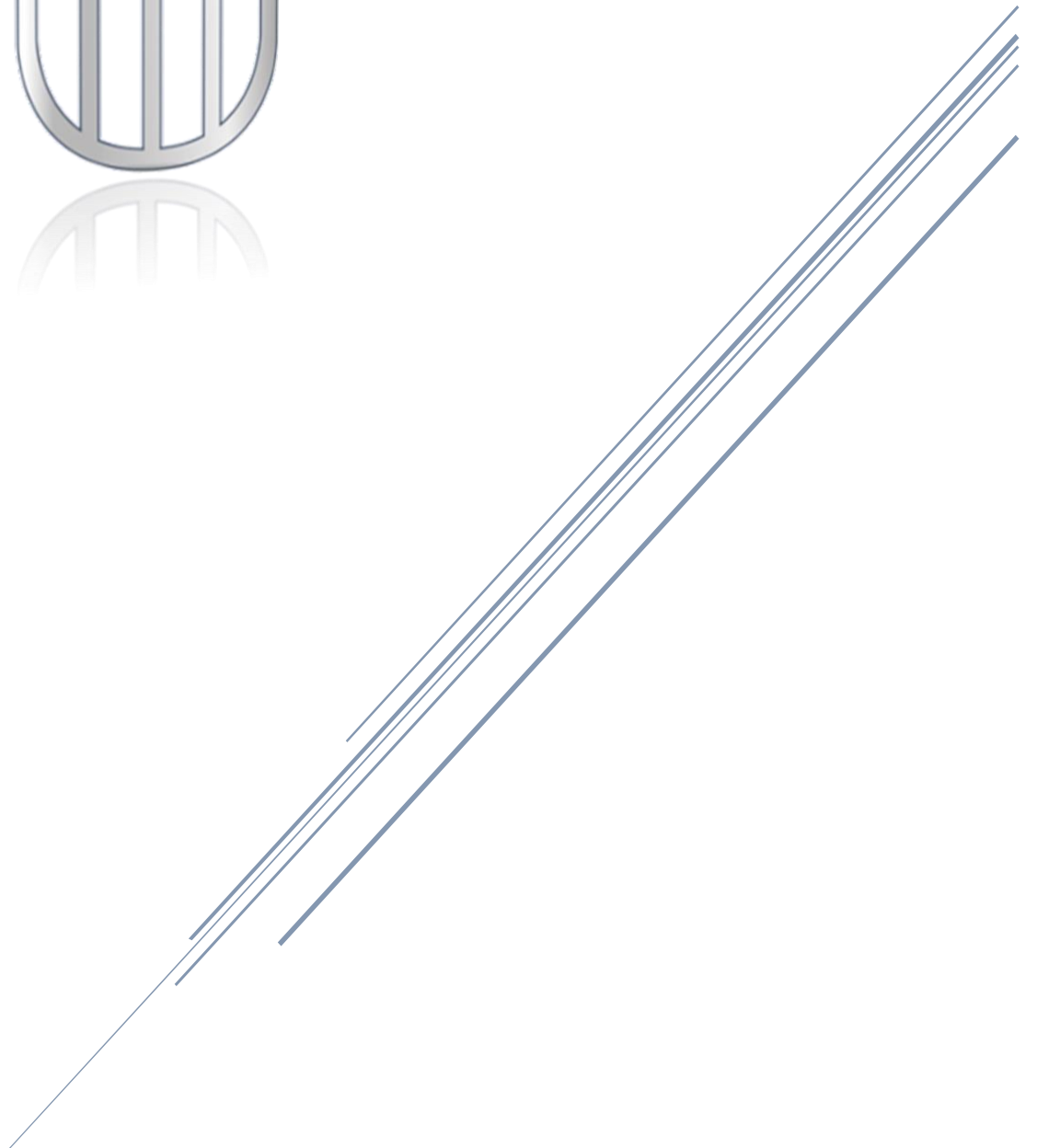


KEY STAGE 3

Parent Information Afternoon



Belfast Boys' Model School
September 2023

Education at Home

Success in education comes not only from what is done in school, but also from the hard work completed at home Homework is an essential part of learning. It develops important independent study skills and encourages students to take responsibility for their own learning.

You have a key role to play in supporting your son's learning and your help at home will have a real impact on success in school and beyond.

What can I do to help at home?

Establish a routine for doing homework. Late afternoon or early evening is better before everyone gets too tired!

Create a learning environment- ensure there is an area at home for your son to complete his homework,

Help with organisation- check the homework diary. Help in packing correct books/equipment/kit in the school bag. Help your child plan his time to allow him to give his homework his very best effort.

Be **interested** in school life. Ask about the school day and talk with your son about how he is getting on. Encourage him to make the most out of school by getting involved in:

- classroom discussions and tasks,
- extra-curricular activities outside the classroom.

Encourage your son to see the **value** of learning. Stress the importance of homework in reinforcing and developing the learning that goes in in the classroom. Also, encourage him to regularly review his learning to prepare for school tests and exams.

Communicate with the school. If you know your child is experiencing problems, let us know. Early identification of problems is important. Good communication between home and school is valued at BBMS and helps children do well. Be sure to attend parent-teacher consultations.

In this booklet you will find:

- Learning to Learn information
- A guide to MS Teams
- Parent App information
- Common Assessment Timetables for Year 9 and 10
- Information from the Maths Department
- Extra-Curricular activities information



LEARNING TO LEARN

OBJECTIVE

To ensure our pupils have a strong start to this academic year in Belfast Boys' Model School.

DEVELOPMENT

- Belfast Boys' Model believe that every pupil should be equipped with the skills to help them plan, monitor and evaluate their own performances.
- We aid this development with the work we do in the classroom.
- Learning to Learn resources will allow you to help your son when at home.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE?

Parents can work with their sons, using strategies for learning that are located in each year group's Microsoft Team e.g. Year 8 Team.

Parents should ask their son how to access these so that they can have a better understanding of what they are working on in class with their teachers, but importantly, to keep working at home using these resources, either individually or with the help of someone at home.

ASSESSMENT WEEKS

- There are 4 Assessment Weeks during the year for BBMS pupils
- During the Assessment Week, pupils will complete tests in each of their subjects
- The data used in these tests allows us, and you, to monitor the progress your son is making
- The week before Assessment Week is called 'Revision Week'. This is when teachers will be revisiting what is on your son's test.
- Two weeks before each Assessment Week, pupils will be engaging with Learning to Learn resources. This is when their teachers will be showing them strategies to help with revision.
- As a parent/guardian, you are able to help your son in his revision by working with him; using the resources that have been made available.
- It is important that your son consults his Personal Learning Checklist (PLC) for each subject to monitor the areas he needs to improve before and after each test.
- It is important that your son sets aside time for revision. Please see a template overleaf that he could use.

Subject Year Group/Course BBMS Learning Checklist

Content	Knowledge			Revision	
	Green	Yellow	Red	Revised	Tested

PERSONAL LEARNING CHECKLIST


Belfast Boys' Model Revision Timetable


Year	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
7:30am	School	School	School	School	School	School	School
8:00am						Open Open	
9:00am	Revision 1	Revision 2	Revision 3	Revision 4	Revision 5	Self-reflection	Self-reflection
10:00am						Self-reflection	Self-reflection
11:00am						Self-reflection	Self-reflection
12:00pm						Self-reflection	Self-reflection
1:00pm						Self-reflection	Self-reflection
2:00pm						Self-reflection	Self-reflection
3:00pm						Self-reflection	Self-reflection
4:00pm						Self-reflection	Self-reflection

REVISION TIMETABLE



Please view the Assessment Calendar and Revision Timetable below, to help prepare your son for success.

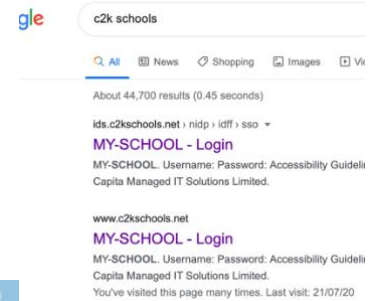
 ASSESSMENT CALENDAR 2023-2024.				
Key Dates	Task	Year Group	Data Required	Deadline
Assessment Period 1				
25th Sept -29th Sept	L2L, retrieval and revision strategies (in class)	Years 8-14	Tracking Y8-14 & Y11-14 Predicted Fine Grades	9th November (Thursday)
2nd - 6th Oct	Revision Week			
9th -13th Oct	Class Test 1			
Assessment Period 2				
20th - 24th Nov	L2L, retrieval and revision strategies (in class)	Years 8-14	Tracking Y8-14 & Y11-14 Predicted Fine Grades	9th January (Tuesday)
27th Nov - 1st Dec	Revision Week			
4th -8th Dec	Class Test 2			
Assessment Period 3				
15th - 19th Jan	L2L, retrieval and revision strategies (in class)	Years 8-14	Tracking Y8-14 & Y11-14 Predicted Fine Grades & Report Comments	22nd February (Thursday) <small>*Yr 10 20th Feb (Tues)</small>
22nd Jan - 26th Jan	Revision Week			
1st Feb - 9th Feb	Class Test 3			
Assessment Period 4a				
18th March -22nd March	L2L, retrieval and revision strategies (in class)	Years 11-14	Tracking Y8-14 & Y11-14 Predicted Fine Grades	26th April (Thursday)
8th April- 12th April	Revision Week			
17th April - 19th April	Class Test 4a (Mock Exams)			
Assessment Period 4b				
20th May - 24th May	L2L, retrieval and revision strategies (in class)	Years 8-10	Tracking Grades, Carousel Report Comments & Cross Curricular Report Comments	13th June (Thursday)
27th May - 31st May	Revision Week			
3rd June-7th June	Class Test 4b (KS3 Exams)			

 Belfast Boys' Model Revision Timetable								
Date Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		Saturday	Sunday
9am-4pm	School	School	School	School	School	10am-11am		
4-5pm						11am-12pm		
5-6pm						12-1pm	Lunch & Exercise/ Social Media	Lunch & Exercise/ Social Media
6-7pm	Dinner & Exercise/ Social Media	Dinner & Exercise/ Social Media	Dinner & Exercise/ Social Media	Dinner & Exercise/ Social Media	Dinner & Exercise/ Social Media	1-2pm		
7-8pm						2-3pm		Free Time
8-9pm						3-4pm		Free Time
9-10pm						4-5pm		Free Time
10-11pm	Free Time	Free Time	Free Time	Free Time	Free Time	5-6pm		Free Time

How to access MySchool & Microsoft Teams

In your Internet browser, type www.c2kschools.net to get to MySchool or type c2kschools in Google

Click on **MySchool** login option

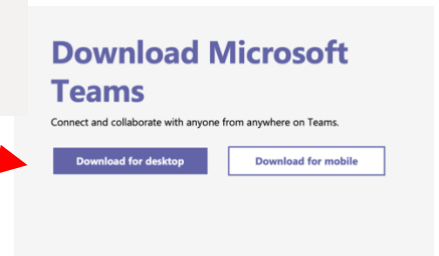
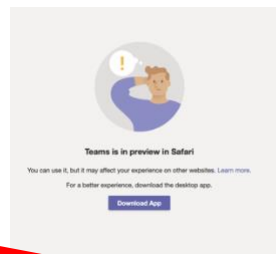


Accessing Microsoft Teams

On the home screen, click on the **Office 365** app and click on 'continue to sign in'

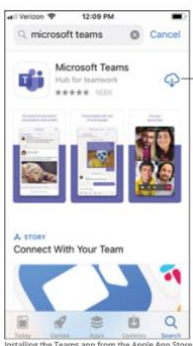
Downloading Teams to a computer

- Sign into My School
- Click on Office 365
- Click on the Teams Icon
- You will see this image
- Click on DOWNLOAD APP – the second image appears
- Follow the instructions
- The App will then be on your computer, and you do not need to go through My School



Downloading Teams to a phone

- Open the App Store on your phone
- In the Search bar type **MICROSOFT TEAMS**
- Tap the download link to install the app on your phone
- Once the app has finished downloading and installing, tap the open button
- When logging in username is@c2ken.net
- Password you use for My School



SIMS Parent App

Instructions for setting up SIMS Parent App

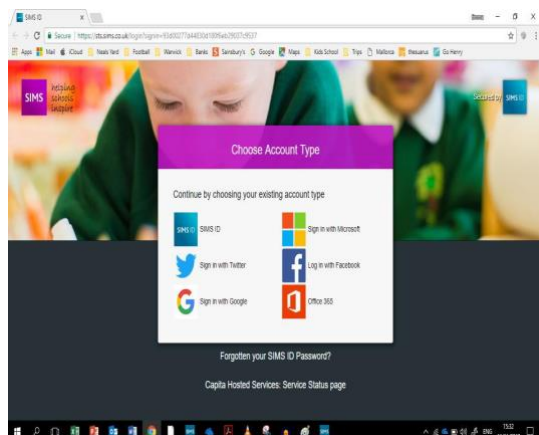
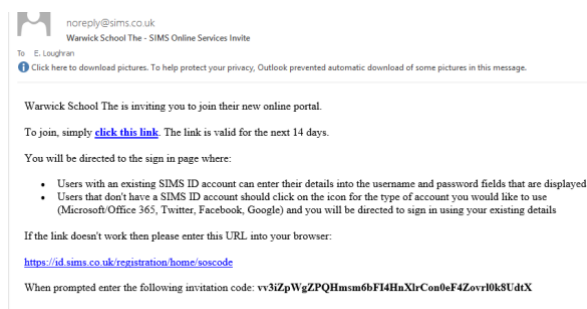
Before you start, some points to note:

- It's a 2-stage process - you are required to register first and then install the SIMS Parent App on your smart phone or device (or just use the website, if you prefer)
- Close all other windows during the registration process
- Any usernames/passwords will relate to the account you are using to register for the app (so whatever you set up when you created your Facebook/twitter/google/Microsoft/etc account)

Registration instructions:

Step 1: Open the invitation email that was sent from noreply@sims.co.uk to the email address you have provided us. Check your junk mail if it has not arrived in your Inbox.

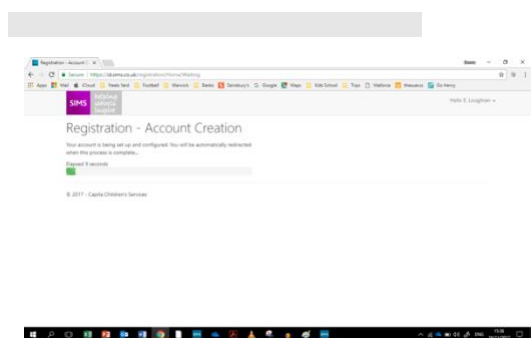
Step 2: Click on the “click this link” link within the email



Step 3: Choose the account type you would like to register with. *Be aware that SIMS ID can't be used!*

Step 4: Check your name and click on the Register button

Step 5: Answer the security question – this will usually be the date of birth for one of your children, following the format of dd/mm/yyyy. For example 26/02/2005



Step 6: After clicking on the Verify button you might see the “Registration – Account Verification” screen for a few seconds. That is OK

Step 7: Once complete, you have registered and are logged in to the web version of the Parent App

From here you have two options. The preferred one is to install the SIMS Parent App from the Google Play store or from the Apple store. Or you can use the web version of the Parent App which can be accessed from <https://www.sims-parent.co.uk>.

Setting up the SIMS Parent App:

Step 1: Go to the Google Play store or the Apple store and search for SIMS Parent

Step 2: Install the App...

Step 3: Open the App

Step 4: After the welcome screen you might get the Sign In page. If so then click on the Sign In button which will take you back to the page that you saw during registration. On the Choose Account Type page select the option you registered with and login using your credentials

Step 5: The Parent App welcome screen opens.

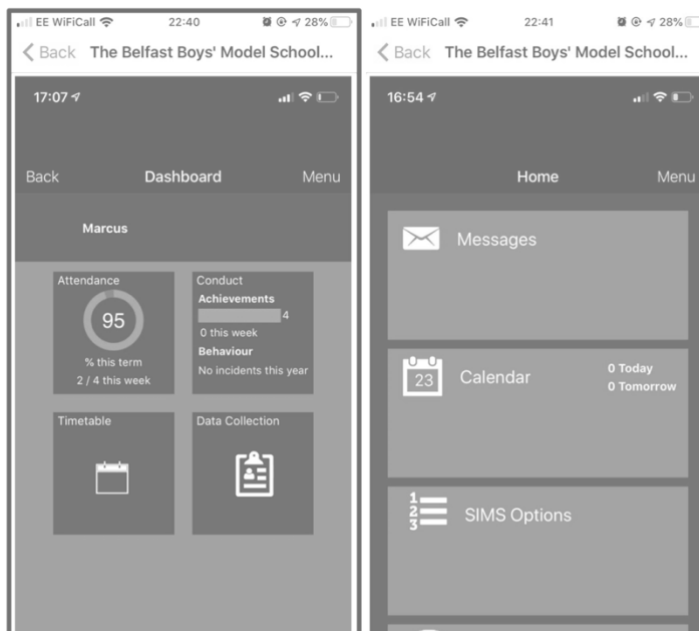
From here you can view reports, request updates to contact information, view timetables and see attendance information.

SIMS Parent App aims:

- To increase parental engagement
- To allow you to stay on top of your son's progress through school
- To improve communication methods with home

Information you can see:

- Attendance data
- Behaviour & conduct
- Assessment data
- Pupil timetable
- School calendar
- Communication e.g. weekly Parent Bulletin, letters



Troubleshooting

For any problems, please visit the school website -www.bbms.org.uk/For Parents/ Parent App and complete the Parent App form.

Year 9 Homework Timetable 2023-24



Week Beginning	Subjects	Task Completed
September 2023		
4 th	CA1 Mod Lang: Spanish City Study	
11 th	Art: Pop Art	
18 th	CA1 Geography: Restless Earth Research Task CA1 Science: Investigation – energy value of foods	
25 th	Retrieval Week	
	CA1 History: The Suffragettes CA 1 LFLW: Emotional Wellbeing CA1 English: (Gothic Fiction)- Write a Gothic story (creative writing)	
October 2023		
2 nd	Revision week	
	CA1 Maths: Skills practice 1 HE: Food Advertising	
9 th	Class Test 1	
16 th	Music: Time Keeping Media: Film Poster Campaign CA1 RE: Romans in Palestine Technology: Bottle Opener Practical Completion	
23 rd	CA1 ICT -Multimedia PowerPoint	
30 th	Half Term	
November 2023		
6 th	CA1 PE: Small Group coaching CA2 English: (Private Peaceful)- Analyse a speech (analytical)	
13 th	CA2 Geography: Restless Earth Numeracy Task	

Week Beginning	Subjects	Task Completed
	CA2 History: Life in the Trenches CA2 Science: investigation boiling point of water	
20 th	Retrieval Week	
	CA2 ICT: Safety with Digital Devices CA2 LFLW: Addiction	
27 th	Revision Week	
	CA2 Maths: Skills practice 2	
December 2023		
4 th	Class Test 2	
11 th	Art: nPop Art	
18 th		
25 th	Christmas Holidays	
January 2024		
1 st	Christmas Holidays	
8 th	CA3 Science: m Space	
15 th	Retrieval Week	
	HE: Food Advertising CA3 History: Home Rule	
22 nd	Revision Week	
	CA 3 Maths: Skills practice 3 CA 3 LFLW: Cultural Diversity + Human Rights	
29 th	School Exams	
February 2023		
5 th	School Exams	
12 th	Half Term	
19 th	CA3 Geography: Coastal Erosion Literacy Task CA2 Mod Lang: Spanish Festivals – La Tomatina CA3 English: (Creative writing)- Write a story in response to a picture stimulus (creative)	

Week Beginning	Subjects	Task Completed
26 th	Technology: Bottle Opener Practical Completion	
March 2024		
4 th	Music: Time Keeping Media: Film Poster Campaign CA3 ICT: Web Development CA2 RE: Jesus the Teacher	
11 th	CA3 PE: Team Feedback CA4 Science: investigation – pulse rate and exercise	
18 th	CA4 History: The Easter Rising and War of Independence CA4 English: (Spoken language)- Analyse a speech (analytical)	
25 th	Easter Holidays (From Wednesday 27 th)	
April 2024		
1 st	Easter Holidays	
8 th	CA4 Geography: Superhero Revision Skills Homework	
15 th	Art: Pop Art CA4 ICT: 'Presenting the Web Design to Peers' CA4 LFLW: Job Advertisement	
22 th		
29 th		
May 2024		
6 th	Music: Time Keeping Media: Film Poster Campaign HE: Food Advertising	
13 th		
20 th	Retrieval Week	

Week Beginning	Subjects	Task Completed
	CA4 Maths: Skills practice 4 Technology: Bottle Opener Practical Completion	
27 th	Learning to Learn	
June 2024		
3 rd	KS 3 Class Test 4 (5 th – 7 th June)	
10 th		
17 th		
24 th		

Year 10 Homework Timetable 2023-24



Week Beginning	Subjects	Task Completed
September 2023		
4 th	CA1 Mod Lang: The Spanish-speaking World	
11 th	CA 1 Art: Analytical drawing	
18 th	CA1 Geography: Climate Graphs Numeracy Task CA1 Science: Reproduction Mat	
25 th	Retrieval Week	
	HE: Careers using HE CA1 History: Empire and Slavery in Britain CA1 LFLW: Identity + Beliefs CA1 T&D: Product Research Analysis CA1 English: Descriptive Short Story	
October 2023		
2 nd	Revision week	
	CA1 Maths: Skills practice 1	
9 th	Class Test 1	
16 th	Music: Dance Through the Decades Media: Magazine Cover	
23 rd	CA 2 Art: The Town I live in CA1 ICT: Spreadsheets in Excel	
30 th	Half Term	
November 2023		
6 th	CA1 PE: Planning a drill CA2 LFLW: Healthy vs Unhealthy Relationships	
13 th	CA2 Geography: World Climates Research Task	

Week Beginning	Subjects	Task Completed
	CA2 History – Martin Luther King and Montgomery Bus Boycott CA2 English: Character Analysis	
20 th	Retrieval Week	
	CA2 ICT: Safety with Digital Devices CA1 RE: Design Argument CA2 T&D: H&W Planter Graphics	
27 th	Revision Week	
	CA2 Maths: Skills practice 2 CA2 Science: Investigation reactivity of metals	
December 2023		
4 th	Class Test 2	
11 th		
18 th		
25 th	Christmas Holidays	
January 2024		
1 st	Christmas Holidays	
8 th	CA3 Art: T. Bradley HE: Careers using HE	
15 th	Retrieval Week	
	CA3 Science: Investigation – Ohm's law CA3 History: USA Civil Rights and the Good Friday Agreement CA3 English: Unit 1 – Tasks 2 and 3	
22 nd	Revision Week	
	CA3 Maths: Skills practice 3 CA3 T&D: H&W Planter Practical	
29 th	School Exams	
February 2023		
5 th	School Exams	
12 th	Half Term	
19 th	CA3 Geography: World Conflict Literacy Task	

Week Beginning	Subjects	Task Completed
	CA2 Mod Lang: Spanish Festivals – San Fermín CA3 Art: Urban Art CA3 LFLW: Right to vote/mobile phones allowed in school [MS/SEN]	
26 th	Media: Magazine Cover	
March 2024		
4 th	Music: Dance Through the Decades CA3 ICT: 'Python and Artificial Intelligence'	
11 th	CA3 PE: Deliver a drill	
18 th	CA4 History: Civil Rights, 1969 and Internment CA4 LFLW: Skills in the workplace	
25 th	Easter Holidays (From Wednesday 27 th)	
April 2024		
1 st	Easter Holidays	
8 th	CA4 Geography: Superhero Revision Skills Homework CA2 RE: Poverty CA4 Science: Investigation – rates of reaction	
15 th	CA4 ICT: 'What makes a good Animation?' CA4 English: CA4 – Response to Image	
22 th	HE: Careers using HE	
29 th	Media: Magazine Cover	
May 2024		
6 th	Music: Dance Through the Decades	
13 th	CA4 T&D: 3D CAD Task Completion	
20 th	Retrieval Week	
	CA4 Maths: Skills practice 4	

Week Beginning	Subjects	Task Completed
27 th	Learning to Learn	
June 2024		
3 rd	KS 3 Class Test 4 (5 th – 7 th June)	
10 th		
17 th		
24 th		



BELFAST BOYS' MODEL SCHOOL ONLINE MATHS RESOURCES



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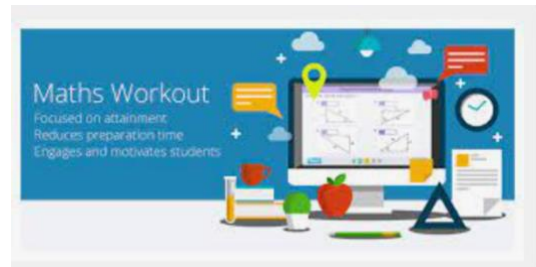
Password - angle

This resource contains notes, examples and practice questions on all topics. It will mark the work and give instant feedback.

www.mathsworkout.co.uk

Username – belfastbms

Password - slope



These fully interactive resources mark answers instantly and can generate unlimited practice questions on any topic.



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Welcome Videos and Worksheets Primary 5-a-day More Revision Cards Books

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local teacher, as well as practice questions on every topic.

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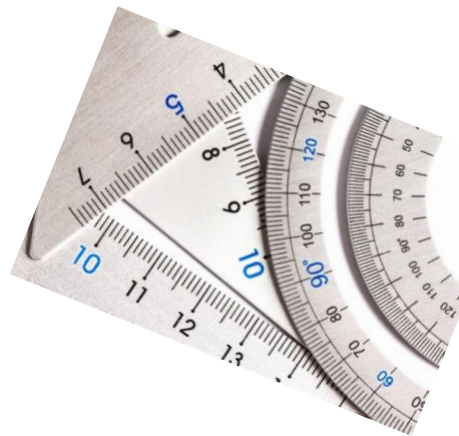
MATHS PUPIL EQUIPMENT

Every pupil **must** have the following equipment in **every** Maths lesson –



- Blue or Black Pen
- Red Pen
- Ruler
- Pencil

- Scientific Calculator
- Protractor
- Eraser
- Sharpener



The Department offers all equipment for sale at extremely low prices and therefore operates a policy of **no borrowing**. Pupils are expected to keep their equipment in a suitable pencil case.

Extra-Curricular Activities.

Encourage your son to get involved in some of the many clubs and societies available at lunchtime and after school:

All lunchtime clubs start week beginning 4th September.

Lunchtime Clubs

Day	Period	Teacher	Yr Gps on Lunch	Club	Yr group	Room
Monday						
	6a	G Murray	8, 10, 13 & 14	Football	13	PE Area
	6a	N Uprichard	8, 10, 13 & 14	Lego	8 & 10	61
	6a	S Todd	8, 10, 13 & 14	Lunch Club	8	134
	6a	S Butterworth	8, 10, 13 & 14	Plant Club	8 & 10	142 & GH
	6b	J Brown	9, 11 & 12	Multi-Lingual Club	All	254
	6b	D Spicer	9, 11 & 12	Enterprise club	All	22
Tuesday						
	5	S Baird & K Brown	8, 9, 11, 13 & b 14	Choir	8 & 9	234
	5	J Drury	8, 9, 11, 13 & 14	Minecraft	8	50
	5	J Neill	8, 9, 11, 13 & 14	Art & Drawing Club	8, 9 & 11	249
	5	L Parra	8, 9, 11, 13 & 14	Pet Club	8, 9 & 11	216
	6a	L Parra	10 & 12	Languages	10 & 11	216
	6a	R Black	10 & 12	Mathematics Club	12	60
Wednesday						
	6a	A Lavery	9, 12, 13 & 14	Reading Club	9	230
	6a	B Wilson	9, 12, 13 & 14	Football	14	PE Area
	6a	G Caulfield	9, 12, 13 & 14	SU	All	213
	6b	L Farr	8, 10 & 11	Board games	8 & 10	
	6b	D Spicer	8, 10 & 11	Wellbeing & Mindfulness	All	22
Thursday						
	6a	S Baird	8, 10, 11, 13 & 14	Choir	8 & 10	234
	6a	L Chestnutt	8, 10, 11, 13 & 14	Debating Club	10 & 11	209
	6a	R Reid	8, 10, 11, 13 & 14	History club	8 & 10	228
	6a	L Parra	8, 10, 11, 13 & 14	Languages	8 & 10	216
	6b	A Quinn	8, 10, 11, 13 & 14	Restorative Yoga	All	Studio
	6b	V Stewart	9 & 12	Minecraft	9	53
	6b	R Blair	9 & 12	Debating & Public-Speaking	9	57
	6b	S Todd	9 & 12	Lunch Club	9	134
Friday						
	6a	C McLaughlin	8, 10, 13 & 14	Lego	8	208
	6a	G Caulfield	8, 10, 13 & 14	SU	8&10	213
	6a	L Jouanny	8, 10, 13 & 14	Film Club	All	203
	6a	R O'Neill	8, 10, 13 & 14	Lunch Club	10	134
	6b	A Lavery	9, 11 & 12	Origami	All	230
	6b	A Quinn	9, 11 & 12	Restorative Yoga	All	Studio
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	6b	N Uprichard	9, 11 & 12	Bronze Duke of Ed.	Yr11	61

You will be informed of any additional clubs via Parent App.

Afternoon Clubs

These are still being confirmed, however at the minute we have the following clubs. their start dates will be confirmed on the Parent Bulletin as well as our social media pages -

Club	Day	Time
Drama Club	Monday	3.20-4.20
History Club	Monday	3.20-4.20
Homework Club	Monday	3.20-4.00
Football Club	Tuesday	2.50-3.20
Badminton	Tuesday	2.00-2.40
Homework Club	Tuesday	2.00-2.40
Homework Club	Wednesday	3.20-4.00
Rugby Club	Wednesday	3.20-4.20
Football Club	Thursday	2.50-3.50
Cookery Club	Every other Thursday	2.40 3.40
Mountain Biking	Thursday/Friday	2:40-3:50

