

# PARENT BULLETIN

## 4TH-8TH NOVEMBER 2024

BELFAST BOYS' MODEL SCHOOL



### This week at the Model

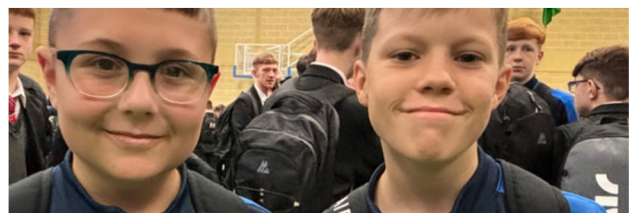
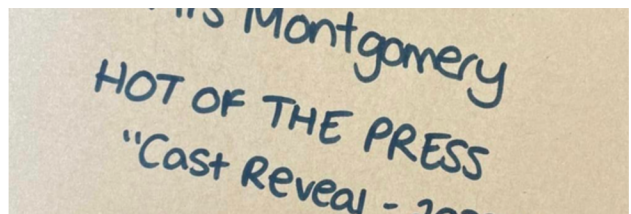
- The revised **Mobile Phone Policy** will be implemented from 6th November 2024. Pupils will be informed about it during special assemblies on their return. Again, many thanks for all your support and feedback in helping shape the policy.
- BBMS is a nut free school. A number of pupils have severe allergies and products containing nuts cannot be brought into school. We appreciate your support with this and keeping all pupils safe.

### Dates for the Diary

**Wednesday**                      **6th**  
**November**

Revised mobile phone policy comes into action.

**Monday**                              **18th**  
**November**  
English Exam



**WELCOME BACK**  
Congratulations to  
the cast of Oliver  
2025.

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### Clubs @ BBMS

LUNCHTIME CLUBS AT BBMS				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Table Tennis Year 10, 12, 13 & 14 6a 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
Board Games Years 10 & 12 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 Years 10, 11 & 12 6b lunch
Choir Years 8, 9 & 11 6b lunch		SU Years 10 & 11 6b lunch	Art Portfolio Clinic Year 12 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	Basketball Year 12 2.00 - 2.40 Games Hall	Rugby All Year groups 3.20-4.30 Mt. Pleasant	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
	Lego Club All year groups 2.00 - 2.40 Rm 140		
	Trampoline Club Years 9&10 2.00 - 2.40 Gym		

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### Ski Trip Reminder

**SKI 2025** - Reminder payment 6 - now 1 week overdue, payments can be made to Mrs Deehan, Miss Greer or Mr Mathers. If not paid, please pay as soon as soon as possible, Thanks.



**BBMS Ski Trip 2025**  
2nd - 9th February 2025

**REMINDER**

**Ski payment 6 - £200 to be paid by 31st October - this is spending money**

Payments should be made via iPay if possible or to Mr Mathers (Years 8-10) or Miss Greer/Mrs Deehan (Year 11-13)

All overdue payments to be made ASAP

Pupil meeting 9am, Monday 14th, Assembly Hall - pupils to bring passport & GHIC card to meeting.



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Careers @ BBMS

### Careers events

Barclays are hosting a virtual Early Careers event for parents, guardians, teachers, and career advisers, on 27 November 2024 at 12pm-1pm.

- Learn about Barclays and our Early Career programmes
- Understand how you can educate candidates about our opportunities
- Gain access to supporting learning materials
- Hear personal journey stories from our Early Career colleagues
- Be able to question our panel of Early Career Leaders and existing Apprentices.

The one-hour event will be tailored to those in supporting roles, such as parents, teachers, and career advisers, focusing on our apprenticeship opportunities.



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## YEAR 13 CAREERS

Please see the Work Experience opportunity on the next page. Work Experience will take place 18th-20th June 2025. If you are interested in a career in any of the STEM subjects, I **URGE** you to apply to this opportunity with **THALES**. They provide excellent apprenticeship opportunities.

### Mock Interviews 2025

Year 13 will partake in Mock Interviews at BT Tower on Wednesday 5th and Thursday 6th February 2025.

Pupils will be matched with an employer in their desired career field. E.g. those interested in engineering will be matched

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### Work experience opportunities

#### Work Experience with THALES

In 2025 we at Thales Belfast are planning to run 2 weeks of Engineering focused work experience, in the months of February and June. The dates:

- 10th-14th February 2025
- 16th-20th June 2025

Monday to Thursday will run from 9am to 4pm with a shorter day on Friday starting at 9am and finishing at 12pm.

During this week long programme, the students will be exposed to a broad range of key Engineering skills from the design phase right through to the final production and test stages. There will be a mix of practical and technical demonstrations, group work and presentations. Please find below the Microsoft application form – it is important to note that this will be a competitive process so please emphasise this to your students so they complete the form to the best of their ability.

Thales Belfast Work Experience -  
Engineering Programme 2025



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### Football Fixtures

Date	Year / School	kit	Meet time	Kick off	venue	coach
Thurs 7/11	Yr 10a vs Ashfield Friendly	tbc	12.40pm	1.30pm	Mounthy	Mr Munyard
Thurs 7/11	Yr 10b vs Ashfield Friendly Away	tbc	12.40pm	1.45pm	Welders	Mr McCausland
Fri 8/11	Yr 8b vs Dunclug Friendly	They wear yellow and black	11.20am	12.15pm	Mounthy	Mr Smith
Fri 8/11	Yr 8a vs Larne Irish Cup	They wear yellow	12.50pm	1.30pm	Mounthy	Mr Munyard





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**WELL DONE TO Y13s** Rio, Myles and Daniel who have just returned from South Africa with R-City. All boys had a fantastic experience.



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**Congratulations** to Daniel in Y14 who completed a 3 show performance of An Inspector Calls in the Opera House.



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### English Update

Our Year 12 students will sit their Unit 4 exam on Monday 18th November. Over the next 8 school days they will use their revision skills in class and should be continuing revision at home. Please encourage your son to attend the specific revision class he has been assigned to below, based on the results of his mock exam before Halloween.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning before school				Mrs Williamson room 019 PUNCTUATION	Miss McLaughlin room 208 READING- CONNOTATIONS
Lunch		Mrs McGorman room 207 VOCABULARY	Mrs Williamson room 224 DEVICES	Miss McLaughlin room 208 PEE'S/ANALYSIS	Mrs Warren room 207 OPENINGS
Afternoon after school	Mrs McGorman room 207 UNIT 1 only	Mrs Warren room 207 SENTENCE STRUCTURE Miss Watson room 206 READING- CONNOTATION S		Mrs Farr room 203 PEE'S/ANALYSIS	Miss Chestnutt room 209 ENDINGS



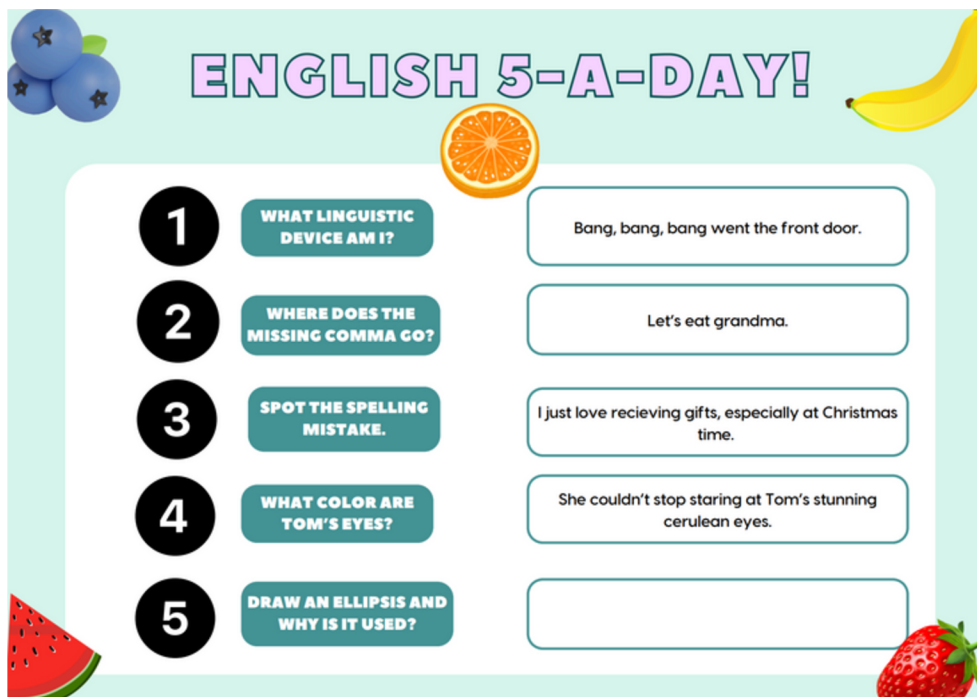
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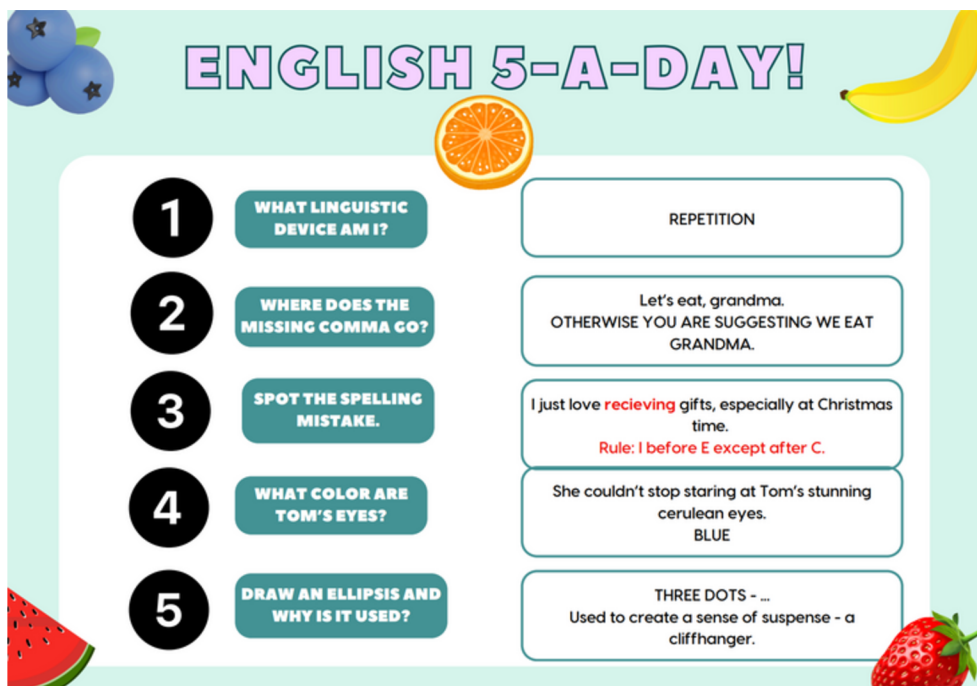
### English Update:

Our Year 11 and 12 pupils will also take part in an English '5-A-DAY' quiz to ensure they are practising key recall and reading skills - have a go below!



**ENGLISH 5-A-DAY!**

- 1** WHAT LINGUISTIC DEVICE AM I?  
Bang, bang, bang went the front door.
- 2** WHERE DOES THE MISSING COMMA GO?  
Let's eat grandma.
- 3** SPOT THE SPELLING MISTAKE.  
I just love recieving gifts, especially at Christmas time.
- 4** WHAT COLOR ARE TOM'S EYES?  
She couldn't stop staring at Tom's stunning cerulean eyes.
- 5** DRAW AN ELLIPSIS AND WHY IS IT USED?



**ENGLISH 5-A-DAY!**

- 1** WHAT LINGUISTIC DEVICE AM I?  
REPETITION
- 2** WHERE DOES THE MISSING COMMA GO?  
Let's eat, grandma.  
OTHERWISE YOU ARE SUGGESTING WE EAT GRANDMA.
- 3** SPOT THE SPELLING MISTAKE.  
I just love **recieving** gifts, especially at Christmas time.  
Rule: I before E except after C.
- 4** WHAT COLOR ARE TOM'S EYES?  
She couldn't stop staring at Tom's stunning cerulean eyes.  
BLUE
- 5** DRAW AN ELLIPSIS AND WHY IS IT USED?  
THREE DOTS - ...  
Used to create a sense of suspense - a cliffhanger.