

# PARENT BULLETIN

## 13TH-17TH JANUARY 2025

### BELFAST BOYS' MODEL SCHOOL



## This week at the Model

- A number of pupils in Y11-14 will be completing External BTEC exams this week. Dates have been outlined below. Your son has been given a timetable for the exams he has to complete.
- Open Night takes place on Monday 27th January. This is a key event in our school calendar, and the support of pupils ensures its success. If your son is in **Y8-12** and would like to participate, please complete the permission slip via the MS Form link: <https://forms.office.com/e/Nfs00qaDsm>
- Participation in Open Night for **Y13 and Y14** pupils is compulsory. Please complete the MS form to confirm your son's attendance at the event: <https://forms.office.com/e/8E9W24rsYr>

## Dates for the Diary

### Monday 13th January-

- BTEC Exams
- Oliver rehearsal

### Tuesday 14th January-

- BTEC Exams
- Y11 Revision Carousel
- Oliver rehearsal

### Wednesday 15th January-

- BTEC Exams
- Y12-14 Revision Carousel

### Upcoming dates...

### Monday 27th January-

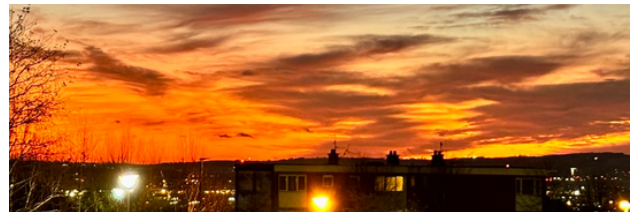
- Open Night

### Tuesday 28th- Wednesday 29th January-

- Target Setting Y8-14

### Thursday 30th-Friday 7th February

- School Exams



### IMPORTANT:

- Please complete the MS Form permission slip to allow your son to participate in Open Night.
- Book a target setting meeting with your son's Form Teacher.

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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



The graphic features a background of a snowy mountain landscape with evergreen trees. At the top, the school crest is on the left and right, flanking the text 'BBMS Ski Trip 2025' and '2nd - 9th February 2025'. On the left side, there are four hexagonal photo cutouts: the top one shows a group of people in a snowy area; the middle one shows a group of people sitting at a table indoors; the bottom-left one shows people skiing on a slope; and the bottom-right one shows two people standing in the snow. On the right side, there are two text boxes: a teal one with 'SKI 2025 COUNTDOWN 2 weeks to go!!' and a light blue one with 'Ski 2025 hoodie - please ensure you have paid Mrs Deehan for your hoodie - £20 if not paid'. At the bottom, a dark red banner contains the hashtags '#SKI 2025 #makingmemories #gettingexcited!!'.

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

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### London Trip Meeting

The following boys must attend a meeting in Room 064 from 9 a.m to 9:40 a.m on Monday, 13th January, to get more information on the trip to London. There will also be a parent meeting on 23rd January. Pupils will receive further information about it during their meeting.

Y	Next attachment	Class	Initials	Surname
10		10CN	Carter	Lyttle
		10ON	Joel	Edebiri
		10ST	Jack	Reynolds
		10WA	Samuel	Young
11		11BU	Curtis	Strain
		11BW	Jay	Gibson
12		12PT	Matthew	Millar
13		13WT	Carter	Gibson
14		14PR	Daniel	Campbell
8		08SR	Jonathan	Cousins
9		09AQ	Jenson-Jayden	TAYLOR-BELL
		09BR	Max	Close
			Maison	Hinds

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## Target Setting Meetings

Please book your face-to-face Target Setting interview with your son's Form Teacher on the 28th or 29th January. Your son must attend the interview with you. It is a great opportunity to discuss your son's progress this year. Link to book interview -

<https://belfastboysmodel.schoolcloud.co.uk/>



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### Careers Interviews- Year 12

The following pupils have a careers interview with the Careers Service on Monday, 13th January, at the time indicated in Room 129.

Date	Name	Form Class	Time
13/1/25	Carson Stalford	12PT	9:30-10:00
13/1/25	Matues Stuart	12PT	9:30-10:00
13/1/25	Marcus Turner	12PT	9:30-10:00
13/1/25	Jake Robinson	12SM	10:00-10:30
13/1/25	Cal Corken	12RD	10:00-10:30
13/1/25	Lorenzo Hutton	12RD	10:00-10:30
13/1/25	Jack Jardine	12RD	10:30-11:00
13/1/25	Ben Lecky	12RD	10:30-11:00
13/1/25	Harvey McKitterick	12RD	10:30-11:00
13/1/25	Marcel Horvath	13PA	11:30-12:00
13/1/25	Daniel Dube	13PA	11:30-12:00

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### OLIVER! 2025

We are beginning to stage scenes and routines for this year's school production of Oliver!

If your son would like to be involved on stage but did not participate in the auditions, this is his time to "consider yourself one of us!"

He is encouraged to attend the company rehearsal on Tuesday after school and speak with Miss Greer to be added to the Oliver team for further production updates.

Information on this weeks rehearsals can be found in the table below.

Oliver Rehearsal Schedule 2024-25					
Week 6	Monday 13th January	4-5:30pm	It's a Fine Life & I'd Do Anything (Song) <b>Pick a Pocket- Recap</b> -Pupils from last Tuesday required.	Music	Nancy, Bet, Oliver, AD, Charlie & F Gang
	Tuesday 14th January	<b>2:30-3:20pm</b> 3:40-5:30pm	Act 1 Scene 1 The Workhouse - Food Glorious Food & Oliver!	AH	Oliver, Mr Bumble, Widow Corney all Chorus and F Gang

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### Football Fixtures

Date	Year / School	kit	Meet time	Kick off	venue	coach
Tues 14/1	Yr 11 vs Carrick A EA League	They wear purple	12.40pm	1.30pm	Carrick A Jnr site	Mr McClelland
Thurs 16/1	Yr 10a vs Abbey EA League / Friendly	They wear maroon	12.40pm	1.45pm	3 mile	Mr Munyard
Thurs 16/1	Yr 10b vs Ashfield EA League	They wear blue	12.50pm	1.30pm	Mouny	Mr McCausland
Fri 17/1	Yr 8b vs Dunclug Friendly	They wear yellow and black	12pm	1.15pm	Away	Mr Smith





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## Careers Update

### CAREERS INFO & OPPORTUNITIES

See Teams for more info

#### YEARS 11-14 MUST CHECK TEAMS AND EMAILS REGULARLY

There are a lot of opportunities being posted. Gaining experience early will make a difference to your future.

#### Climate Fresk Workshop

The Climate Fresk Workshop is just what you need. Join us this Valentine's Day, Friday 14th February 2024 from 10am – 2pm at our Belfast office.

This interactive and engaging workshop is designed to help you understand climate change and its impacts while also boosting your skills and enhancing your CV.

#### 2025 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



**NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK**  
WEDNESDAY 12TH FEBRUARY 13:00 - 14:00

Come and join us to celebrate not only National Apprenticeship Week but also the range of apprenticeships the British Army offers. With over 40 different apprenticeships available, from level 2 to degree level, you can find your passion in fields such as Engineering, Medical, Intelligence and Communications, HR and Finance, Logistics and Support, Music, Combat, and more.

[REGISTER NOW](#)

If you are interested in signing up, please speak to or email

Miss O'Neill -

[roneill592@c2ken.net](mailto:roneill592@c2ken.net)

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## Careers Update

Antrim and Newtownabbey

# Careers and Apprenticeships Fair 2025

Calling all school leavers

**Theatre at The Mill**  
**Tuesday 4 February**  
**5pm - 9pm**

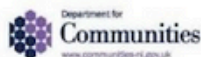
Antrim and Newtownabbey Labour Market Partnership is hosting a Careers and Apprenticeships Fair supported by the Council.

Come along and discover new pathways and opportunities and meet employers from a variety of sectors. Speak to universities and colleges face to face and visit our dedicated apprenticeship and job 'have a go zone'.

**Transport to and from school can be arranged.**

For more information

E. [skills@antrimandnewtownabbey.gov.uk](mailto:skills@antrimandnewtownabbey.gov.uk)



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#### Careers Update

**SPEAKERS for schools**

# Sign up or miss out

## FULLY FUNDED Work Experience

 <b>Start your Youth Work Experience Journey</b> Application deadline: 10th January 2025 Ages: 14 - 19 29th January 2025 - 31st January 2025 10:00 - 14:00 <a href="#">Apply now</a>	 <b>Passionate about the environment? Uncover your talent at the Climate Fresh Workshop!</b> Application deadline: 17th January 2025 Ages: 16 - 19 14th February 2025 10:00 - 14:00 <a href="#">Apply now</a>	 <b>Exploring Early Career Pathways</b> Application deadline: 16th January 2025 Ages: 16 - 19 30th January 2025 18:00 - 19:30 <a href="#">Apply now</a>
 <b>Football For All! Discover Opportunities in the Beautiful Game</b> Application deadline: 18th February 2025 Ages: 14 - 19 18th March 2025 10:00 - 15:00 <a href="#">Apply now</a>	 <b>Career Insight Day - Scientific Research in Public Health &amp; Experimental Medicine</b> Application deadline: 25th February 2025 Ages: 16 - 19 25th March 2025 10:00 - 13:00 <a href="#">Apply now</a>	 <b>Ready, Set, Code! 3-day Tech Work Experience</b> Application deadline: 21st January 2025 Ages: 14 - 19 18th February 2025 - 20th February 2025 10:00 - 15:00 <a href="#">Apply now</a>
 <b>Ready, Set, Code! 3-day Tech Work Experience (Virtual event - UK wide)</b> Application deadline: 4th February 2025 Ages: 14 - 19 4th March 2025 - 6th March 2025 10:00 - 15:00 <a href="#">Apply now</a>	 <b>Engineer Your Future: 3-Day Hybrid Work Experience with NI Water</b> Application deadline: 31st January 2025 Ages: 16 - 19 24th February 2025 - 26th February 2025 09:30 - 14:30 <a href="#">Apply now</a>	 <b>Discover the exciting world of a university technician!</b> Application deadline: 10th March 2025 Ages: 14 - 19 7th April 2025 - 9th April 2025 10:00 - 14:30 <a href="#">Apply now</a>
 <b>Careers in Veterinary Science</b> Application deadline: 27th January 2025 Ages: 14 - 19 17th February 2025 - 19th February 2025 09:30 - 14:30 <a href="#">Apply now</a>	 <b>"Breaking News" 3 day Journalism Virtual Experience Opportunity!</b> Application deadline: 29th January 2025 Ages: 14 - 19 24th February 2025 - 28th February 2025 10:00 - 14:00 <a href="#">Apply now</a>	 <b>Ready, Set, Code! 3-day Tech Work Experience (Virtual event - UK wide)</b> Application deadline: 4th February 2025 Ages: 14 - 19 4th March 2025 - 6th March 2025 10:00 - 15:00 <a href="#">Apply now</a>

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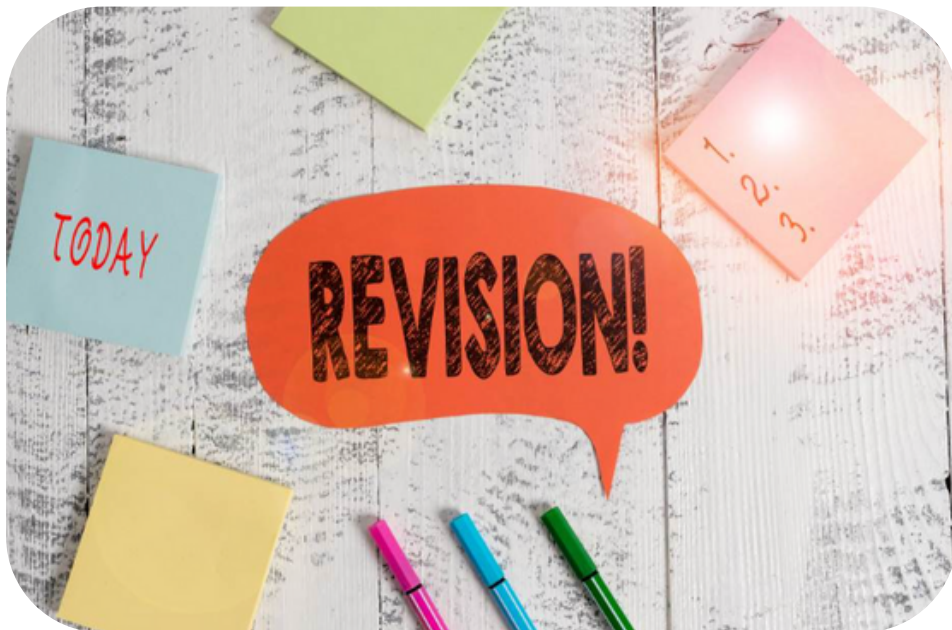
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## SCHOOL EXAMS & REVISION

In preparation for the upcoming school exams, we will be emphasising the importance of revision in the coming weeks.

Assemblies will be held throughout the week to support pupils with effective revision techniques. Additionally, they will receive revision resources to assist with their studies at home during their pastoral period.

Additional support for parents can be found here:  
<https://www.bbms.org.uk/retrieval>



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### EXTERNAL EXAMS

The timetables below outline upcoming exams for Y11 and Y12 pupils. All pupils have been given revision resources and should be using these to aid revision.

#### January 2025 External Exams - Year 11

Date	Start Time	Room	Component Title	Length
Friday 10th	9:15AM	Assembly Hall	*The UK Travel and Tourism Sector	1hr 15mins
	9:15AM	Assembly Hall	The Role and Work of the Public Service	1hr
	10:45AM	Assembly Hall	*The Role and Work of the Public Service	1hr
* Pupils who study Travel & Tourism <b>AND</b> Public Services will complete the exams <b>in that order</b>				
Monday 13th	9:15AM	Assembly	Introducing the Hospitality Industry	1hr

#### January 2025 External Exams - Year 12

Date	Start Time	Room	Component Title	Length
Tuesday 14th	9:15AM	Assembly Hall	Travel and Tourism Business Environment	1hr

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The timetables below outline upcoming exams for Y13 and Y14 pupils. All pupils have been given revision resources and should be using these to aid revision.

January 2025 External Exams - Year 13				
Date	Start Time	Room	Component Title	Length
Friday 10th	12:00 noon	Assembly Hall	Behaviour and Discipline in the Uniform Services	2hrs
Tuesday 14th	9:15AM	Assembly Hall	The World of Travel and Tourism	1hr 30mins
	12:00PM	Room 050	Creating Systems to Manage Information PART A	3hrs
Wednesday 15th	9:15AM	Room 050	Creating Systems to Manage Information PART B	2hrs

January 2025 External Exams - Year 14				
Date	Start Time	Room	Component Title	Length
Tuesday 7th	1:00PM	Assembly Hall	Government and the Protective Serv	1hr 30mins
Wednesday 8th	1:00PM	Room 050	Developing A Marketing Campaign PART A	2hrs
Thursday 9th	9:15AM	Room 050	Developing A Marketing Campaign PART B	3hrs
	9:15AM	Assembly Hall	Global Destinations	3hrs
	9:15AM	Assembly Hall	Unit 1 Sports Studies	1hr 15mins
Monday 13th	9:15AM	Assembly Hall	Engineering Principles	2hrs
	1:00PM	Assembly Hall	Unit 3: Sports Organise & Develop	1hr
Wednesday 15th	1:00PM	Assembly Hall	Unit 4: Work Safe in Sport	1hr 30mins
Wednesday 15th	9:00AM	Technology	*Engineering Product Design Miss Greer to provide specific dates/times for this exam task	8hrs

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## Pupil Success and Achievement

**WELL DONE** to our Model Mathematicians. These students have been recognised for their dedication in Maths and trying their very best in every lesson!!



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### Maths Update

📢 Get 2025 off to a great start! 📢

☀️ Would you like to feel more confident in supporting your son with their Maths at home? ☀️

📅 Come and join our Maths parent workshops running in January. 📅

Relaxed fun interactive sessions! 😊

Everyone is welcome, bring your primary children along also!

◆ Limited spaces so book in early ◆

Call the school and speak with Mrs Hanna or ask your son to get a letter from their Maths teacher.



KEY STAGE 3  
PUPILS...BRING  
YOUR OWN  
GROWN UP....  
**MATHS**  
**PROGRAMME**

### Engaging Math sessions for parents.

We are running 4 fun-filled interactive, engaging parent sessions aimed at developing Mathematics in the home. Boys & parents attend together.

To find out more information contact Mrs Hanna, Curriculum Leader, Maths.

### Session Dates

Tues 14th January 2.30 - 4pm, Tea/Coffee on arrival

Tues 21st January 2.30 - 4pm, Tea/Coffee on arrival

Tues 28th January 10.30 - 12pm & 12.30 - 2pm, with lunch provided.





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## House Points

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

**TOP PUPIL POINTS**

	<b>MUHAMMAD SHAMSUDEEN</b> HOUSE GREGG 8GI	
	<b>RUBEN CROSSMAN</b> HOUSE LEWIS 9BR	
	<b>JJ CROCKHARD</b> HOUSE BRANAGH 10WE	
		
<b>JAMES HUNTER</b> HOUSE GREGG 14PR		
		
<b>JOHN GRACE</b> HOUSE KELVIN 12DY		
		
<b>ZACH GILL</b> HOUSE GREGG 11RB		

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## Music Update

Our Head of Music, Mrs. Baird, had the exciting opportunity to meet Ed Sheeran, who is helping to support music development in school. His program is designed to inspire students and give them the tools and chances they need to develop their musical skills. Ed Sheeran's participation shows his dedication to helping young musicians and encouraging creativity in Belfast Boys' Model.



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## Parent Support



Emotional Health and Wellbeing Team  
for Children and Young People

IS YOUR CHILD AWAITING ASSESSMENT FOR AUTISM THROUGH THE BELFAST TRUST'S CHILD DEVELOPMENT CLINIC OR THE CHILD AND ADOLESCENT AUTISM SERVICE?

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO FIND OUT ABOUT DIFFERENT SUPPORTS AVAILABLE AND WHAT THE EMOTIONAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING TEAM CAN OFFER

PLEASE COME ALONG TO OUR

### NEURODIVERSITY CAFE

A SAFE SPACE TO TALK AND SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCES WITH OTHER PARENTS.

VENUE - BLACKMOUNTAIN SHARED SPACE  
DATE - 20TH JANUARY 2025  
TIME - 09.45-11.15

SPACES ARE LIMITED - PLEASE REGISTER YOUR INTEREST BY EMAIL WITH YOUR NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS TO [EHWBT@BELFASTTRUST.HSCNI.NET](mailto:EHWBT@BELFASTTRUST.HSCNI.NET)

YOU CAN ALSO ASK YOUR HEALTH VISITOR OR FAMILY SUPPORT HUB TO PASS ON YOUR DETAILS IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND.

TEA/COFFEE PROVIDED



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## Parent Support

### SUMMERHILL COST OF LIVING PROGRAMME



As the cost of living continues to be an ongoing challenge for many families, Parenting Focus is delighted to be working in partnership with the Summerhill Foundation to provide practical support and information to parent groups across the region.

We are offering host centres the opportunity to provide a 4 week x 2 hour programme to support their local families with information, tips and strategies focussed around 4 key themes:

1. **Nutrition and Healthy Eating**
2. **Taking Care of the Pennies**
3. **Making Ends Meet Physical &**
4. **Emotional Wellbeing**

- The programmes can be delivered daytime or evening depending on the needs and requirements of the parent group
- We ask that centres recruit a minimum of 10 parents to take part in the programme
- Parenting Focus can create a promotional poster to support awareness raising in your local area
- Parents that complete all 4 sessions of the programme will receive a certificate and **£20 gift voucher** to celebrate their success and commitment to attending

If you would like to find out more or explore the potential of hosting a programme then please get in touch with Kelly Barbour via [kellyb@parentingfocus.org](mailto:kellyb@parentingfocus.org)

