



BELFAST MODEL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

Principal: Ms P Stuart, B. Ed, PQH NI, M. Ed

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Dear Parent/Guardian

As we begin our 3rd week of home learning, we are grateful for your support, patience and understanding. In response to your feedback regarding home-school communication and your desire to be even more engaged and informed about your daughter's learning and progress, we will be launching two additional digital forms of communication in the coming weeks; Google Guardian Summaries and our new Model School App.

We will use Guardian Summaries within Google Classroom to keep you informed of your daughter's progress. This will come in the form of an automated weekly email sent to you with an overview of her subjects, highlighting the work set and any work outstanding or due shortly. You will receive an invite link via email, where you simply click the link to opt into these summaries so that you will be kept informed about your daughter's completion of her school work.

We are also in latter stages of developing a School App, which will eventually allow for all notifications, announcements, important letters, memos, school events and school reports to be sent to you instantly. It will also enable you to check your daughter's attendance and digitally provide notes for absence or medical appointments. Moving forward, this app will not only cut down on the amount of paper we send out to you, but will also allow us to streamline our channels of communication. Once the app is launched, you will be able to download it from your relevant App Store, and you will receive a personalised sign up link by email.

To ensure we are ready for the digital changeover, it is important that our database of parent/guardian email addresses is up to date. Form Tutors will be requesting your current email address during their pastoral calls over the next 2 weeks and checking that information against what we currently hold on file.

We aim to begin our integration with Google Guardian Summaries week commencing 25th January. We will update our social media platforms with a launch date for the School App - hopefully in the very near future

Yours Sincerely

P Stuart
Principal

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