



BELFAST MODEL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

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

March 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian

There will be an important Parents' Consultation meeting for Year 8 students on Thursday 16 March from 9.00am-11.45am. This meeting is a valuable opportunity to meet with your child's subject teachers and Form Tutor to discuss their progress and to also identify the best ways to support their learning.

It is very important that your child is represented; if you cannot attend it is acceptable to send a representative on your behalf. Your child should accompany you but uniform is not required.

When you arrive, you will be given a copy of your child's timetable along with a list of the locations of where teachers will be. You will also be given a Progress Review page, to write down assessment scores or any feedback from staff. Senior students will be present to assist if required.

To help focus conversations with teachers, the following questions may be helpful. These will be available on each desk on the day.

In this subject

- What are the results of assessments my child has completed to date?
- What specifically does my child have to do to ensure that they reach their target % in future assessments?
- What topics should my child be focusing on for their Year 8 summer assessments?
- Does my child demonstrate positive behaviours for learning?
 - If no, what is a focus for improvement?
 - If yes, what positive behaviours should we continue to encourage?
 - What level of effort does my child put into their work into class/homework tasks?
- What can I do as a Parent to further support my child in their learning?

Summer assessments will take place from Tuesday 30th May to Tuesday 6th June inclusive. It is therefore important that your child prepares for these assessments and attends to complete all of them.

I would also like to take this opportunity to communicate a number of other things in advance of the meeting. Our complimentary breakfast will continue for all students until the end of this academic year. In light of Period Poverty, pamper packs are available and can be given to your child at any time.

Also, can I remind you that mobile phones are not to be used in school for any reason and if a student uses it, consequences will be applied as outlined in our Mobile Phone and Digital Communication Device Policy, available on our website.

Furthermore, students are to wear BMSG PE kit only along with trainers. Converse are not permitted. Please be aware of the day your child has PE on their timetable as this is the only day PE kit is permitted.

Please note, the final day of Term 2 will be Wednesday 5th April. All students will finish for Easter at 12.00pm. Students will return to school on Tuesday 18th April at 8.45am.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to seeing you on Thursday 16 March at 9.00am.

Yours faithfully

Mrs S McKeown
Leader of Learning Year 8

