

Belfast Model School for Girls

Achievement for All



Pupil Support Unit

Agreed by Board of Governors:

To be reviewed:

The Belfast Model School for Girls is committed in its aims and mission statement to creating a culture of mutual respect and self-discipline thus allowing all pupils to learn and achieve according to their potential.

Rationale

The Pupil Support Unit (PSU) aims to promote and sustain good behaviour. This unit is available for pupils to reflect on behavioural issues/attitudes and develop positive behavioural patterns/attitudes. Pupils receive the support and guidance of the pastoral team and school counsellor.

Purposes

The PSU aims to:

- Allow pupils time out to reflect on their behaviour.
- Enables the year head/school counsellor to work on a one to one basis and set SMART targets.
- Prevent the pupil from being suspended.
- Ensure that the pupil follows their curricular entitlement.

Guidelines

Any pupils whose behaviour warrants more serious action than school detention will be placed in the unit. This will involve the following.

- Completion of a number of referral forms.
- When all detention procedures have been exhausted.
- Discussion with the year head and relevant vice-principal and the pupil.
- Contact with parents
- Record of placement in PSU.

NB Follow up sessions will be arranged with the pupil and the year head/school counsellor.

These policy Guidelines are translated into action through other policies and procedures, for example:

Behaviour Management Policy

Teaching & Learning Policy