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Year 7 Newsletter

Week 14 2024-2025

Courage

Compassion

Respect

Faith

Integrity

Bacon's College ensures that every student is well educated, cared for and exhorted to achieve the academic and personal excellence that will lead to university or skilled work and to a fulfilled life.

'I came to give life, life in all its fullness'

John 10:10

A week in the life of Year 7

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope you and your families are all well.

This week the festivities have been ramping up for Year 7. We kicked off the week with the Year 7 Market stalls in the hall on Monday during break and lunch. It was great to see so many students getting involved, both helping out behind the stalls with their tutors and buying things from other stalls.



On Thursday, we had our Carol Service. It was lovely to see so many of you there on Thursday supporting the Year 7s. We had performances from the steel pan group, choir, drama and dance. The choir sang a beautiful song with fantastic soloists. The steel pan group played 'Joy to the World' whilst the

congregation sang. The drama group performed the Nativity and the dance group danced to Silent Night whilst the congregation sang. Very well done to all of the performers and readers!



Finally on Friday we had mufti day. It was great to see so many students dressed up or in Christmas jumpers!

Science club:

Students dissected nappies to explore how they can absorb as much as they can. The absorbency layer contains a polymer called sodium polyacrylate. This polymer forms a gel as it absorbs liquid, which resembles snow!



We hope you have an enjoyable and restful break over the holidays, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Tuesday 7th January!

Kind regards,
Miss O'Leary
Deputy Head of Year 7

Academic Excellence and Homework

- **Mid-Year Exams**

Year 7-10 mid-year assessments and exams will be from 16th December 2024 – 17th January 2025.

This half term and the first week of next half term is a pivotal time for our students, with exams having begun this week. Our priority is to ensure that each student feels well-prepared and supported to achieve their best in these upcoming assessments. **All exam dates and revision materials are on satchel one/ show my homework.**

English - Years 7-9 will sit their assessments in class between the 16th of December and the 10th of January.

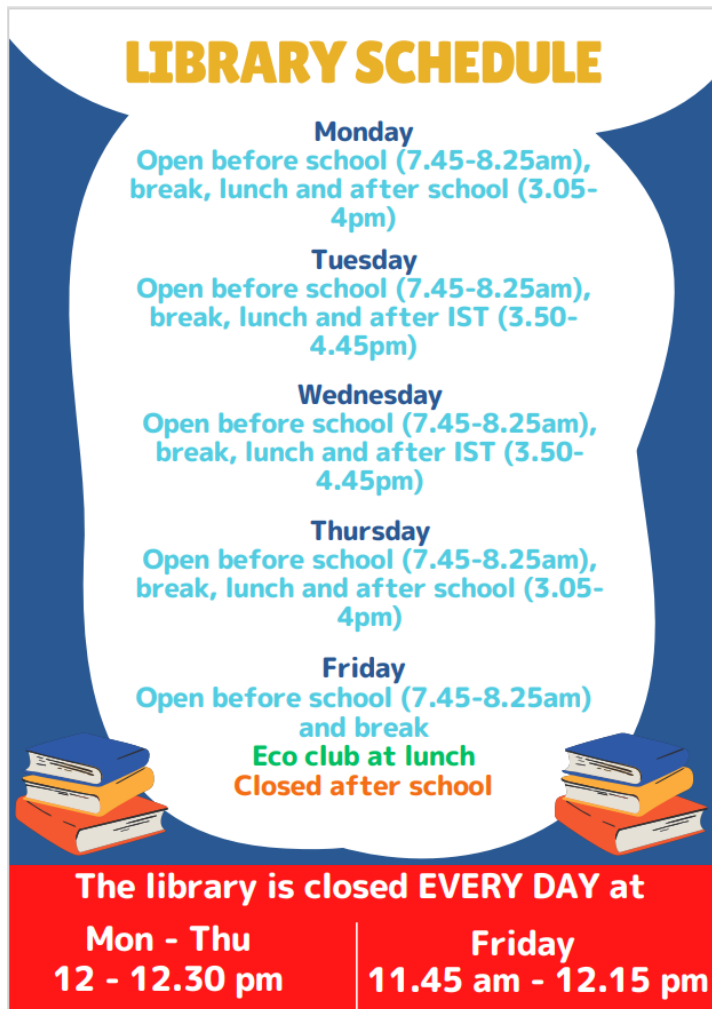
Maths - Years 7-9 will sit their exams in the Main Hall between the 13th-17th of January.

All other exams will take place in lessons; therefore, it is vital students aim to maintain 100% attendance not only to ensure they are to learn the content of the exams but also are in to take them.

- **Homework**

Homework Club is available to all students during the Library's opening hours listed below. We encourage students to attend Homework Club or speak with their teachers if they have any questions before their homework deadlines. Heads of Year will be monitoring students' homework completion rates. If a student receives 10 or more homework detentions within a

half term, they will be expected to attend Compulsory Homework Club to ensure they receive the support needed to complete their assignments.



The poster is titled "LIBRARY SCHEDULE" in bold yellow text at the top. Below the title, the schedule is listed for each day of the week, with opening and closing times. The background is white with a blue border. At the bottom, there is a red banner with white text stating the library is closed every day at specific times. The poster also features illustrations of stacks of books on the left and right sides.

LIBRARY SCHEDULE

Monday
Open before school (7.45-8.25am),
break, lunch and after school (3.05-4pm)

Tuesday
Open before school (7.45-8.25am),
break, lunch and after IST (3.50-4.45pm)

Wednesday
Open before school (7.45-8.25am),
break, lunch and after IST (3.50-4.45pm)

Thursday
Open before school (7.45-8.25am),
break, lunch and after school (3.05-4pm)

Friday
Open before school (7.45-8.25am)
and break
Eco club at lunch
Closed after school

The library is closed EVERY DAY at

Mon - Thu 12 - 12.30 pm	Friday 11.45 am - 12.15 pm
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- **Sparx reader homework**

Miss Cunningham runs catch-up sessions after school on Mondays, which are available to any students who are struggling with the homework or would just like the opportunity to read aloud to someone. A reminder that every student is required to get 100% in Sparx Reader (at least 200 points) to avoid getting a detention

Thank you for your continued support in helping your child stay on top of their homework.

Homework timetable for KS3:

Day that homework is set and due	Subject and the learning platform you will use	The approximate time the homework should take you
Monday	English – Seneca/Homework booklet**	60 minutes
	Sparx Reader	20 minutes
Tuesday	RE - Seneca	30 minutes
	History – Seneca**	30 minutes
Wednesday	Maths – Sparx Maths	60 minutes
Thursday	Science – Sparx Science	60 minutes
Friday	MFL – Active Learn/Languagenut/Seneca/Fluency booklet**	30-60 minutes (+ 10 minute daily vocab revision)
	Geography – Seneca/Knowledge Organiser	30 minutes

Technology - You will also receive one piece of **Technology** homework set on the day of your lesson which will be due for the next lesson.

****In addition to following this homework timetable, some of your other subjects will set additional homework. Please check SMHW for more details.**

Homework Champions

Seneca - Students with 100%:

Maksimilian M

Robbie S

Leah K

Axel R

Sparx Reader

Top readers 02/12/2024

Darcey L 7S – 1316 SRP

Ovbiye I 7L – 559 SRP

Samih M 7I – 521 SRP

Stefany V 7S – 462 SRP

Completion rates

7C: 93%

7A: 80%

7O & 7S: 79%

7I: 72%

7L: 71%

7N: 45%

Rewards

Positive Points – Bronze awards (250 points)

Talia C

Anna K

Adam Im

George O

Finlay W

Astera S

Cosmo P

Anton M

Emmanuel O

Jessie F

Malachi R

Joshua H

Priyanshu S

Top 20 points in Year 7:

Anna K

Adam Im

George O

Finlay W

Astera S

Cosmo P

Anton M

Emmanuel O

Jessie F

Malachi R

Joshua H

Priyanshu S

Bosco H

James B
Ayah M
Soulaima Z
Lady-Renee S
Muhammed J
Darcey L

Half Term points Leader: Finlay W

Overall Points Leader: Talia C

Tutor group with the highest points:

7N - 1433
7I – 4204]
7C – 4059
7O – 4812
7L – 4509
7A – 4122
7S – 5131

Subject Homework stars:

Maths – Priyanshu S
English – Anna K
Science – Tony P
Spanish - Ruby A
French – Soulaima Z
Sparx Reader – Priyanshu S
Sparkiest tutor group – 7C

Most improved student: Michael C

Pride of Bacon's Award – George O – for outstanding contributions to the college

Attendance award raffle: Astrid G

Punctuality Award raffle: Finlay W

Shout Outs

Damari A, Itohan P and Matthew W for excellent focus and contributions in Food Tech lessons! Keep up the good work 😊 - *Miss Fraser*

Eliza B and Elliott T for getting 15/15 in their spelling test. *Ms McDuffus*

Adem D and Gabriella M for consistently being lesson ready, always putting in their best effort during lesson and always staying on task. *Mr Mathan*

Harry S for his great analysis in Thursday's lesson! *Mr McGarry*

Anna K won 7Bakerloo English star of the week for her excellent written work and brilliant standard of analysis when looking at poems this week. *Mr McGarry*

Oliver C for his excellent focus during our reading lessons and engaging with the text. *Mr McGarry*

Evie B for excellence in Spanish. *Ms Hunter*

Anton M, Finlay W, Henry O, Isaiah D, Oliver C for performing extremely well in their first rugby fixture and showing great potential. *Mr Leport*

Mr Ferrari gives a shoutout to the following students in French **Emilia L, Gabriella M, and Taisia O.**

Attendance



The graphic above highlights some key statistics linked to attendance.

We know that students who are in school perform better and learn more.

Please support us as we aim for the best possible attendance for every single student at Bacon's College.

Year 7 – 95.7%

N – 93.8%

I – 94.7%

C – 96.3%

O – 96.1%

L – 97%

A – 97.4%

S – 93.5%

WELL DONE



for having the best attendance as a tutor group this week!

Students with 100% attendance:

Sara	Bianca	Dickson
Pearl	Luca	Emmanuella
Ayan	Arisa	Henry
Shyla	Damari	Eliza
Daisy	Achmed	Ruby
Mateo	Ava Marie	Muhammed
Wassim	Mallie	Khloe
Ayah	Alexander	Kiara
Henry	Temilola	Alnour
Sebastian	Bosco	Tony
Priyanshu	Ken	Darya
Robert	Axel	Heitor
Freya	Samih	Erik
Martha	Danyah	Soulaima
Jae-larell	Rose	Arthur
Elliott	Cristian	James
Evie	Corey	Oliver

	Chun Ho	Amirat	Jayden	
	Hannah	Jahari	Ja'Sharne	
	Brona	Ihsana	Sienna	
	Ballay	Adem	Anandini	
	John	Ovbiye	Sara	
	Oumar	Rodiyah	George	
	Sebastian	Jayden	Itohan	
	Adam	Maksimilian	Malachi	
	Amira	Taisia	Terry	
	Andrew	Finlay	Shalom	
	Gabriella	Lexi-Mae	Stefany	
	Rozzena	Maisie	Haoyu	
	Liya		Bianca	

Pupil Charter

The start of the new academic year sees the launch of the Bacon's Pupil Charter for all year groups. Having been designed with student and staff input, the Charter sets out a core offer of opportunities for Bacon's students throughout their school career. The Charter focusses on developing the personal excellence of our students through opportunities that take place outside of the classroom and works in partnership with an ambitious enrichment offer. The Charter is linked to our well-established rewards system and students will achieve positive points for meeting Charter points. A full link to the Charter can be found on the College website [here](#) and an updated offer of enrichment and extra-curricular opportunities will soon also be available to view [here](#). The points for the Year 7 Charter are set out below. Year 8 and 9's Charter has also been made available so that students can see the opportunities available to them as they go through Key Stage 3.

Bacon's Pupil Charter 7

Courage • Respect • Compassion • Faith • Integrity

Pre-Year Project	
<input type="checkbox"/> +10pts	Complete Summer Project 'Your Journey So Far'

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Attend Welcome/Carol Service	<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Attend Parents Evening	<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Represent the College
<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Attend Tutor Consultation	<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Share my views with the School Council	<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Volunteer in the community
<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Bond on a trip away	<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Participate in a club	<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Celebrate Culture Day
★ +5pts Term 1 Completion Bonus	★ +5pts Term 2 Completion Bonus	★ +5pts Term 3 Completion Bonus

Ongoing	
<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts	All 1s for attitudinal grades
<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts	Meet all homework deadlines

Completed Charter
+20 pts

Bacon's Best Card
+20 pts

Bacon's Pupil Charter 8

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Pre-Year Project	
<input type="checkbox"/> +10pts	Complete Summer Project 'Personal Reflection'

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Participate in a club	<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Reflect on goals with an adult	<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Volunteer in the community
<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Share my views with the School Council	<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Represent the College	<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Celebrate Culture Day
<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Perform in a class event	<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Visit a museum, gallery or theatre	<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Attend Parents Evening
★ +5pts Term 1 Completion Bonus	★ +5pts Term 2 Completion Bonus	★ +5pts Term 3 Completion Bonus

Ongoing	
<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts	All 1s for attitudinal grades
<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts	Meet all homework deadlines

Completed Charter
+20 pts

Bacon's Best Card
+20 pts

Bacon's Pupil Charter 9

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Pre-Year Project	
<input type="checkbox"/> +10pts	Complete Summer Project 'Option Choices'

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Participate in a club	<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Hear from a speaker	<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Represent the College
<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Share my views with the School Council	<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Visit a University and explore career routes	<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Celebrate Culture Day
<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Reflect on goals with an adult	<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Attend Parents Evening	<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Volunteer in the community
★ +5pts Term 1 Completion Bonus	★ +5pts Term 2 Completion Bonus	★ +5pts Term 3 Completion Bonus

Ongoing	
<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts	All 1s for attitudinal grades
<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts	Meet all homework deadlines

Completed Charter
+20 pts

Bacon's Best Card
+20 pts

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Uniform and appearance

We are proud of our distinctive uniform and Bacon's College students take pride in their appearance.

A high standard of personal appearance is expected of all students at all times, this includes travelling to and from school. Anyone arriving at school in non-uniform clothing will be sent home to get changed.

Details of our uniform policy can be found here: <https://www.baconscollege.co.uk/parents/uniform-personal-presentation>

A particular reminder that unnatural hair colours, fake eye lashes, nail extensions, jewellery (other than a single small stud in the ear lobe) and hair beads other than navy blue, black or transparent, are not permitted. Any student breaching these rules will be sent home on the first day of term to rectify the problem. Parents should be mindful of this before incurring any costs over the holidays.

Forthcoming events

Return to school – Tuesday 7th January 2025

Year 7 – 10 Mid Year Exams - 16th December 2024 – 17th January 2025