

Year 8 Newsletter

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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 10

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic start to the new school year! It's been wonderful to see our students settling back into routines and embracing learning with such energy. Classrooms are already buzzing with great ideas, and our new students are quickly finding their feet thanks to the warm welcome from their peers.

This week, we've focused on building positive habits—arriving on time, staying organised, and supporting one another. A special highlight has been the brilliant work everyone has put into the **Whole School Ready Project**. Some excellent entries for the school bookmark competition which is amazing to see the winners will be announced soon! The enthusiasm and creativity shown in lessons and during tutor time have been inspiring, and it's clear that students are already taking pride in working together to make our school a welcoming, respectful community.

Thank you to parents and carers for your continued support in ensuring that uniform standards remain high and that homework is completed on time. Together we can make this a brilliant year for every student.

My email address is g.galvin@baconscollege.co.uk and my school ext. 4083.

Here's to a successful and rewarding year ahead!

Best wishes,

Ms G Galvin

Academic Excellence and Homework

Homework

Homework is key to ensuring your child is revising regularly and stretching their learning further. Please continue to support in this being completed any issues let me know! All students are issued with a Chromebook. If for any reason they have been lost or damaged please contact a.quinn@baconscollege.co.uk.

Homework Club

Homework Club is available to all students during the Library's opening hours including before school, break and lunchtime. 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.

Shout Out

Loads of shoutouts this week:

Ovbiye I for an excellent piece of written work! - Ms O'Leary, Spanish

Can I give a shoutout to **Cristian** for working really hard during the practical and helping me put away and hand out all the equipment- Ms Miah, Science

Shout out to **Mattice** for his thoughtful contribution and work produced in our lessons on the Trimurti- Ms Ahazie

- 8 District had an incredible double English lesson today. We went through a lot of content, and everyone was incredibly focused. Ms Qi
- 8 Met really engaged in a lesson the break with Rome. Some good contributions from **Millie M**, **Damari**, **Cristian** and **Jae** Ms Newton- History
- **Kaylyn B, Daniela O, Rozzena M** outstanding homework in Maths and great demonstration of understanding in lesson!
- **Ihsana C P, Henry O, Emilia M, Sebastian G, Antony A A** Wonderful in classwork and great homework!
- **Ella O, Jae T, Mason H, Nathaniel R, Teddy J** Great improvement in attitude to learning! Mr Arnold-Maths

Dexter C, Josiah S and Kwame R for great contributions in their PSHE lesson on identity and equality. - Ms Fejzulahi- PSHE

I would like to say a massive well done to **Khloe, Taisia, Luna, Hayou, Tony, Sebastian, Danyah, Gabriella** in 8 Jubilee for excellent reading during their library lesson. They were all focused and stayed on task the whole time we were at the library, despite some distraction from visitors. - Ms Majeed-English

Well done to those nominated-Looking forward to more over the next week!

Attendance

We are incredibly grateful for your continued support in ensuring excellent attendance throughout last academic year. Your commitment to getting students into school—on time and ready to learn—has made a real difference and raised the whole school attendance.

At Bacon's College, we believe that "Every Minute, Every Lesson, Every Day" truly matters. Every moment in the classroom is an opportunity to grow, to learn, and to move one step closer to success.

As we look ahead to the start of a new year we want to continue this message. Consistent attendance will be key to building on the progress made so far and ensuring that every student is fully prepared for the challenges and opportunities of Year 8.

AOB

We highly encourage you to download the Arbor app, which provides a fantastic way to stay informed about your child's progress. With the app, you can easily track both positive points and any negative referrals in real time. It's a great tool for keeping the lines of communication open and having meaningful conversations at home about your child's achievements and areas for improvement.

Please refer to the school's website here for information on downloading: <u>Arbor Parent Portal and App</u> allows you to view attendance statistics, behaviour points and notifications from school.

Arbor Parent Portal and App

The Arbor Parent Portal allows you to receive messages from school, view attendance statistics, behaviour points, and update personal information on your child's profile.



The Parent Portal is accessible online and via the app, every parent/carer receives their own unique log in.



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Arbor Help Centre

User guides and troubleshooting for the Parent Portal & App

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Forthcoming events