

Year 10 Newsletter

Week 1 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

Welcome to KS4 and your GCSE journey

Dear Parent/Guardians,

We hope you have had an enjoyable and restful summer and are prepared with your son/daughter for an important year ahead.

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the Head of KS4 and I am looking forward to working very closely with both Year 10 and Year 11 this academic year.

Mr Tubb is the new Head of Year 10 and will be supported by Ms Ingham-Roy as the Deputy Head of Year. They will also be supported in their roles by our Pastoral Manager Ms Marshall. Contact details for these key staff can be found below. The SLT link for Year 10 is Associate Vice-Principal – Mrs Anum.

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On student's return to school on Wednesday I led a Key Stage Assembly that focussed on who we are as a College and our College Values as well as reminders about key expectations for the year ahead. We celebrated the very strong results achieved by the outgoing Year 11 and spoke about how by working in partnership all students in KS4 can achieve fantastic outcomes.

I have visited lots of lessons and been impressed about how students in Year 10 have returned to school and their approach to learning.

This year there will be a big drive on attendance across all year groups, so I thank you in advance for your support in ensuring your child arrives to school on time and prepared every day.

I look forward to working with you over the year ahead and beyond and please do not hesitate to contact us if you would like our support or assistance.

Kind regards,

Mr Pyke – Assistant Principal – KS4

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Homework Champions & 'Shout outs'

Each week we will use this space to celebrate outstanding achievements both in and outside of the classroom.

We will also use this space to celebrate our Homework Champion and those students who consistently excel in completing homework on time and to a high standard.

On Year 11's return to school they have completed revision timetables for their upcoming mock exams. We want our new Year 10 students to see the dedication to independent study required to be successful. Below are just some of the good examples we've seen.



Dates for the Diary

• Thursday 10th October – Year 10 will receive a careers presentation led by JD Sports

Attendance

The graphic below 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.



The Bacon's 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 10, 11 and 12 Charter are set out below.



AOB

We have seen a very small minority of students return to school wearing fake eylashes, nails or with piercings that are not permitted. A polite reminder that we have a clear

uniform policy for all students that can be found here <u>By being dressed smartly and taking pride in their appearance</u>, students will also be in the right frame of mind to learn. (baconscollege.co.uk)

Please do not hesitate to contact a member of the year team if you would like to discuss any of this further.