



Bacon's College
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Year 7 Newsletter

Week 13 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.

Year 7 have continued to work hard towards their upcoming mid-year exams, lessons have been calm and focused and the students are producing excellent pieces of work.

Mid-Year assessments:

This half term is a pivotal time for our students, with assessments beginning next week. Our priority is to ensure that each student feels well-prepared and supported to achieve their best in these upcoming assessments. All assessment 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.

History – Year 9 exams begin in class week commencing 9th December.

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.

In order to best prepare them to revise and complete homework, you can do the following;

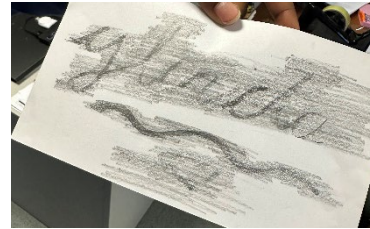
Creating a Study-Friendly Environment

- Quiet, Distraction-Free Space: Set up a specific place for studying that's free from distractions like TV's or phones. Wearing headphones is helpful if that is not possible.
- Organized Supplies: Keep everything they need (notebooks, pencils, highlighters, etc.) within reach.
- Good Lighting and Comfort: Ensure the area is well-lit and comfortable for sitting long periods.

Students will be getting exam revision material from their teacher to aid in this.

Science club

The science club is growing in popularity every week, this week students investigated different methods to create invisible ink. Well done to those who attended this week.



Advent Appeal

Lastly, our Advent annual appeal has started and the college is coming together to raise money to support a handful of charities; Jesuit Refugee Service, the Robes Project and Rotherhithe Community Kitchen. Students will be able to participate in a range of stalls and activities including a Christmas Market and Mufti Day. Therefore, if possible, please do allow your child to bring in a small amount of money to take part.

On Friday 13th, the annual mufti day takes place. We encourage all students to come in dressed in their own clothes but with a festive twist. It will be £1 to take part.

Carol Service

As Christmas is fast approaching the students have been preparing for the carol service with rehearsals for the choir, dance and drama. We look forward to all their hard work on display in the Carol service on Thursday in St. James' Church.

If you would like to attend, please complete the online consent form that has been sent out via text.

We look forward to seeing you at the Carol Service.

Kind regards,
Miss O'Leary

Academic Excellence and Homework

- **Excellent work and attitude towards learning**

It has been wonderful to visit lessons and see students engaged and producing excellent work, they should be really proud of the work they are producing and the effort they are putting in.

- **Mid-Year Exams**

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

Teachers are already focusing on preparing students for their subject assessments.

A formal exam timetable for Maths and English only will be sent to parents/guardians in due course.

- **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.

- **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%:

Robbie S

Leah K

Maksimilian M

Emmanuella O

Kayvah-Lee L

Roan C

Axel R

Sparx Reader

Top readers 02/12/2024

Anton M 7C – 1166 SRP

Lexi W 7L – 777 SRP

Lexie H 7O – 615 SRP

Completion rates

7A: 92%

7C, 7L, 7O & 7S: 89%

7I: 83%

7N: 73%

Sparx Science:

7C	96%	12290
7L	89%	10682
7A	88%	12150
7I	87%	12060
7S	82%	10332
7O	76%	11572
7N	75%	4146

Top positive Points:

Finlay W – 34

George O – 32

Talia C – 31

Adam I – 30

Anna K – 30

Cosmo P – 30

Astera S – 30

Sara D – 29

Jessie F – 29

Joshua H - 29

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

Shout Outs

Isaiah D for his huge improvement. He has been putting a lot of effort to stay on task during lessons and has been doing his work promptly and as instructed. He observably tries his best to avoid getting warnings during lessons. *Mr Mathan, Maths*

Kai J - For Captaining the football team and showing excellent leadership skills. *Mr O'Sullivan, PE*

Amira M - For having an amazing attitude to learning and showing great improvements in Volleyball! *Mr O'Sullivan, PE*

Finley W won 7Bakerloo English star of the week for excellent annotations on poetry and brilliant written work. *Mr McGarry, English*

Talia S has excellent presentations in her book and consistently complete challenge questions lessons. *Mr Eselebor, Science*

George O has excellent presentations in his book and consistently complete challenge questions lessons.

Mr Eselebor, Science

Pearl D for her continuous outstanding contributions in English lessons. *Ms Qi, English*

Bianca N for her continuous outstanding contributions in English lessons. *Ms Qi, English*

Rodiyah K for her continuous outstanding contributions in English lessons. *Ms Qi, English*

Arthur A for staying behind yesterday afternoon and making festive Christmas decorations to sell at our market stall for a charitable cause. *Mr McGarry*

Talia C for staying behind yesterday afternoon and making festive Christmas decorations to sell at our market stall for a charitable cause. *Mr McGarry*

Anna K for staying behind yesterday afternoon and making festive Christmas decorations to sell at our market stall for a charitable cause. *Mr McGarry*

Itohan P for staying behind yesterday afternoon and making festive Christmas decorations to sell at our market stall for a charitable cause. *Mr McGarry*

Astera S for staying behind yesterday afternoon and making festive Christmas decorations to sell at our market stall for a charitable cause. *Mr McGarry*

“Sending a huge shout out to 7 Central for their focus and perseverance during today’s history fluency test. Lots of excellent marks for the entire class – very well done! *From, Ms Kristiansen*”

‘7 Central were absolutely fantastic P5 today! So just a huge shoutout to them!’ *Mr El Ghzal, Geography*

Shoutout to 7S for their wonderful rafting skills in making some more decorations in tutor time this morning for the market stall – *Mr McGarry*

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	Kayvah-Lee	Malachi
Amira	Maksimilian	Terry
Andrew	Taisia	Shalom
Gabriella	Finlay	Stefany
Rozzena	Lexi-Mae	Haoyu
Liya	Maisie	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



+10pts Complete Summer Project 'Your Journey So Far'

Term 1



+5pts Attend Welcome/Carol Service



+5pts Attend Tutor Consultation



+5pts Bond on a trip away



+5pts Term 1 Completion Bonus

Term 2



+5pts Attend Parents Evening



+5pts Share my views with the School Council



+5pts Participate in a club



+5pts Term 2 Completion Bonus

Term 3



+5pts Represent the College



+5pts Volunteer in the community



+5pts Celebrate Culture Day



+5pts Term 3 Completion Bonus

Ongoing



+5pts All 1s for attitudinal grades



+5pts Meet all homework deadlines



Bacon's Pupil Charter 8

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Pre-Year Project



+10pts Complete Summer Project 'Personal Reflection'

Term 1



+5pts Participate in a club



+5pts Share my views with the School Council



+5pts Perform in a class event



+5pts Term 1 Completion Bonus

Term 2



+5pts Reflect on goals with an adult



+5pts Represent the College



+5pts Visit a museum, gallery or theatre



+5pts Term 2 Completion Bonus

Term 3



+5pts Volunteer in the community



+5pts Celebrate Culture Day



+5pts Attend Parents Evening



+5pts Term 3 Completion Bonus

Ongoing



+5pts All 1s for attitudinal grades



+5pts Meet all homework deadlines



Bacon's Pupil Charter 9

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Pre-Year Project



+10pts Complete Summer Project 'Option Choices'

Term 1



+5pts Participate in a club



+5pts Share my views with the School Council



+5pts Reflect on goals with an adult



+5pts Term 1 Completion Bonus

Term 2



+5pts Hear from a speaker



+5pts Visit a University and explore career routes



+5pts Attend Parents Evening



+5pts Term 2 Completion Bonus

Term 3



+5pts Represent the College



+5pts Celebrate Culture Day



+5pts Volunteer in the community



+5pts Term 3 Completion Bonus

Ongoing



+5pts All 1s for attitudinal grades



+5pts Meet all homework deadlines



Forthcoming events

Bacon's College Annual Advent Appeal - December

- **Christmas Markets- 9th-13th of December**

All year groups will have a market day in the Main Hall (break and lunch).

Tutors will provide information to tutors regarding fundraising activities.

- **Mufti-Day – Friday 13th December**

- **Carol Service – Thursday 12th December**

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