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Year 11 Newsletter

Week 16 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

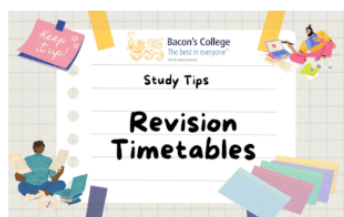
Year 11- Week 16

Dear parents/guardians,

I am immensely proud of how year 11 have started off this new term. Students have had a successful first couple of weeks and have shown resilience to the pressures associated with this very important exam year. The week started off with our usual year 11 assembly, led by Mr Maybury, focusing on resetting standards following the Christmas break. The countdown to exams are really now on! With only 20 school days until mock exams begin, and only a few months until GCSE exams start in early May. Below are some of the revision strategies that Mr Maybury discussed with students, remember, reading through notes is one of the least effective strategies!

Exam Study Tips

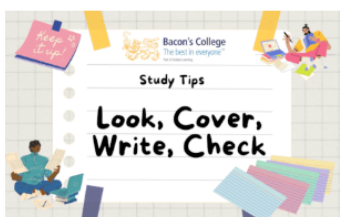
Revision is the key to succeeding in the final stretch of Year 11. Effective study strategies allow you to navigate your exams with confidence and calmness. Below you will find a bank of videos created by your teachers to help empower your study over the holidays and through the final term at Bacon's. Make use of these skills, look after yourselves, and work smart!



Revision Timetables

Revision works best with good structure, and Mr. Maybury is here to help you figure out how best to structure your revision time! A strong revision timetable helps combat procrastination, fatigue, feeling a bit lost and feeling overwhelmed. With a little guidance, you'll have a well-planned week complete with leisure, lunch and learning.

[Video >](#)



Look, Cover, Write, Check

Ms. Coker has you covered for this study technique, demonstrating how to use the Look, Cover, Write, Check method to practice answering short-answer questions until you've got them bonded.

[Video >](#)



Flash Cards

Ms. Small and Ms. Majeed are here to help guide you through the use of flash cards as a tool to remember quotes and key bits of information. With a good deck of cards and a bit of practice, you'll know quotes from A Christmas Carol like the back of your hand!

[Video >](#)

The well-being of students is also significantly important at this time. It is important to take breaks where rest is prioritised. Below are some useful apps and websites to help with feelings of stress and also, Flora- Green Focus, which helps to focus the mind.

Useful Apps and Websites

As Mr. Maybury reminds us: The phone is your enemy when you're revising. However, with some decent self-control, a Do-Not-Disturb mode and some handy apps, a phone or tablet can **sometimes** help you out a little. Below are some of our favourite apps and websites to help organise yourselves, practice and revise, and look after yourselves.



Headspace

Feeling a little too stressed out?
Headspace can help you wind down!

[more >](#)



Flora - Green Focus

Have trouble staying off distracting apps? Set a focus timer in Flora and you can start growing a tree. If you use a blocked app, the tree dies and nobody is happy. Focus, revise, grow trees and be happy!

[more >](#)

5 students were involved in a training session at Bread Ahead, this is part of their employability and food course. Students went to Bread Ahead in Borough Market and learnt how to make ciabatta bread from the team and soup from our food teacher, Sharon. The students had a fantastic today, well done to Emon, Keiran, Ria, Nevaeh and Rojgar for representing our school so well! Please see some photos below.



We have produced a rank order for students to see, which is created using an average of the students December 2024 mock grades, the bottom third of the year group have been anonymised. A huge congratulations to the top 20 students in the year group!

Rank Order December 2024	Name	Average Grade
1	Kavya S	8.67
2	Mariyah I	8.44
3	Alex H	8.22
4	Amelia W	7.94
5	Edison Z	7.67
6	Isaiah A	7.22
7	Victoria D	7.22
8	Kelly C	7.11
9	Kim C	7.11
10	Abdul Majeed M	7
11	Arshia B	6.89
12	Giasemin B	6.89
13	Evie-Mia B	6.89
14	Mounia C	6.78
15	Aniyah G	6.78
16	Pedro M	6.78
17	Soraya T	6.78
18	Tasnim T	6.78
19	Joshua A	6.67
20	Torishay H	6.67

Students now have a slightly altered intervention timetable, to reflect the very fast approaching mock exams, not to mention the real GCSE exams are also fast approaching! Main changes include Maths period 7 on Mondays and targeted science intervention on Friday afternoons (during periods 5+6).

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
assembly	Option B	Option A	Option C	RS/English rotation
Period 1	Period 1	Period 1	Period 1	Period 1
Period 2	Period 2	Period 2	Period 2	Period 2
Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
Period 3	Period 3	Period 3	Period 3	Period 3
Period 4	Period 4	Period 4	Period 4	Period 4
Lunch & Line up	Lunch & Line up	Lunch & Line up	Lunch & Line up	Lunch & Line up
Period 5	Period 5	Period 5	Period 5	Science – targeted 4+ & 5+
Period 6	Period 6	Period 6	Period 6	
Maths	English	Period 7	Detentions	Detentions
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Kind regards,

Miss Hickman
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Homework Champions & 'Shout outs'

Shout outs:

Abdul-Malik P and Josiah A “for settling in and working really hard in the new geography class!” Mr El Ghzal

Sarah S, Jahdiel B-P and Mohamed K “Being very inquisitive in science, always willing to answer questions and ask further questions about science concepts.” Mr Wilson

Stanely J “Good grasp of new content on the Cold War paper in history” Ms Newton

Olu A “Excellent independent revision for the Crime paper in history” Ms Newton

Micah O “Improved completion of homework.” Ms Dickinson

Joshua I “Continued development in exam questions to reach a higher level” Ms Dickinson

Renato PF “Excellent contribution in lesson.” Ms Johnson

Kai T “Excellent contribution in lesson.” Ms Johnson

Billy B “has produced some great work last week and this week, really focused in lesson.” Ms Majeed

Elizabeth A “has also produced great work this week.” Ms Majeed

Ayham A “Highest mark in the class for last weeks Paper 3 exam.” Mr Mateer

Dara A “for consistent effort in English.” Ms Eastman

Renato PF “for accurately completing his xmas homework booklet, for completing his sparx homework and for pursuing additional resources from the science department.” Ms Miah

Elsie M “for completing the xmas homework booklet with accuracy, including annotations.” Ms Miah

Joshua I and Leo B-R “both have offered thoughtful contributions in lessons and are consistently hard-working.” Ms Ahamed

Amadu D “improved work ethic and offering interesting ideas in lessons.” Ms Ahamed

Renato PF “The only one in the group to stay on top of and consistently complete homework!” Mr Woods

Joshua F “excellent knowledge of Soviet/Russian geography.” Ms Newton

Hamza I “first to achieve over 80% in mini test.” Ms Johnson

Joshua I “for asking interesting questions regarding mobile phone usage in his physics lesson.” Mr Foley

Mounia C “for focusing on work despite a bloody cut on her finger in her physics lesson.” Mr Foley

Amelia W “great focus and excellent attitude to learning.” Ms Parry

Tayden H, Ayomide A, Soraya T “most progress made in Fluency Tests this week.” Ms Parry

Mohamad M “100% in Fluency Test this week!” Ms Parry

Renato PF “his Christmas homework was a fantastic quality, he came to collect revision materials during lunch and engaged well with weekly science revision materials” Ms Coker

Micah O “real effort being made to stay focused and complete tasks set.” Ms Ahazie

Azeez I, Celine M, Cayla T “for their patience and effort in their new RS set.” Ms Ahazie

Celina M and Azeez I and Cayla T “for making an excellent start in English in EN4” Ms Small

Chaima “Excellent involvement in Geography lessons” Mr Marzano

TillyJay “for her focus and engagement in English intervention.” Ms Keir

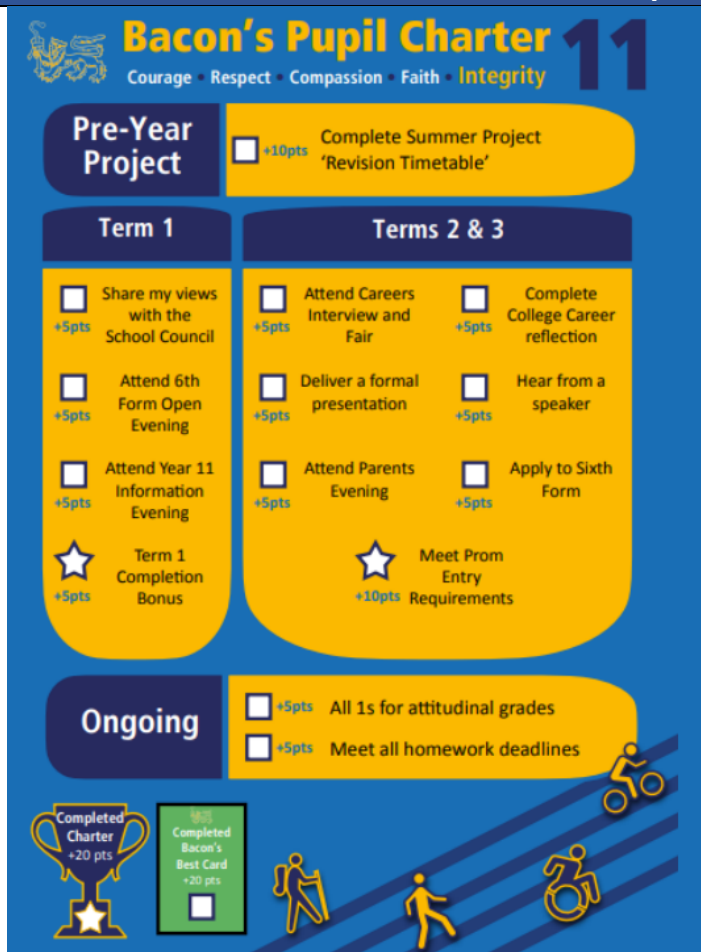
Kieron T “for continuing to improve his analytical skills in English.” Ms Keir

Dainel O “for making more effort to stay awake today” Ms Keir

Isaiah A and Azeez I “Continuous outstanding contributions in Geography” Ms Hickman

Kavya S and Victoria D "Excellent homework in Geography" Ms Hickman

Pupil Charter



Bacon's Pupil Charter 11
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Pre-Year Project

- ☐ +10pts Complete Summer Project 'Revision Timetable'

Term 1

- ☐ +5pts Share my views with the School Council
- ☐ +5pts Attend 6th Form Open Evening
- ☐ +5pts Attend Year 11 Information Evening
- ★ +5pts Term 1 Completion Bonus

Terms 2 & 3

- ☐ +5pts Attend Careers Interview and Fair
- ☐ +5pts Deliver a formal presentation
- ☐ +5pts Attend Parents Evening
- ★ +10pts Meet Prom Entry Requirements
- ☐ +5pts Complete College Career reflection
- ☐ +5pts Hear from a speaker
- ☐ +5pts Apply to Sixth Form

Ongoing

- ☐ +5pts All 1s for attitudinal grades
- ☐ +5pts Meet all homework deadlines

Completed Charter +20 pts
100% Completed Bacon's Best Card +20 pts

Icons: A trophy, a person with a backpack, a person running, and a person on a bicycle.

The start of the academic year sees the continuation of the Bacon's Pupil Charter for all year groups. 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.

Students in Year 11 have now had the opportunity to complete all term 1 Charter points, and this half term students will be looking towards attending the careers fair and delivering a formal presentation to their peers.

Dates for the Diary

- **27th March 2025 – Year 11 Parents Evening**
- **March Mock Exams – 20 school days until students next round of Mock Exams. The final ones before real GCSE exams**

Attendance

The pastoral team will continue to make phonecalls to all students who are absent. Thank you for your support in trying to achieve and maintain 100% attendance for your child.

The attendance for year 11 last week had unfortunately dipped slightly to 91%. We are aware that it is cough and cold season but we ask that if possible, students make an effort to come in where possible. Thank you for your continued support with this. Congratulations to 11A who has the best attendance!

Form group attendance so far to date:

11S: 91.4%

11I: 93.1%

11A: 96.1%

11C: 93.1%

11L: 94.4%

11N: 88.5%

11O: 94.1%



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EVERY DAY COUNTS!

100%
Outstanding

98%

4

Days Missed

24

Lessons Missed

96%

8

Days Missed

48

Lessons Missed

94%

12

Days Missed

72

Lessons Missed

92%

16

Days Missed

96

Lessons Missed

90%

20

Days Missed

120

Lessons Missed

ATTENDANCE TODAY, SUCCESS TOMORROW

Academic Excellence and Homework

Homework

Homework is key to ensuring your child is revising regularly and stretching their learning further. Homework Club 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.

Please ensure you have created a parent account for show my homework, this allows you to monitor your child's homework. Thank you for your continued support in helping your child stay on top of their homework

Reminders

- Students are currently having 1:1 careers meetings with Ms Watson, your child should know when this, please do ask and remind them. These will be ongoing through the next few months.
- Please note that eyelashes, false nails and more than one stud/earring per ear is against Bacon's uniform policy.

- Chromebooks are an essential part of the equipment at Bacon's, please remind your child to bring these in every day. If there are any issues with chromebooks, please make sure your child takes them to the school office.