



Bacon's College
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Part of United Learning

Year 9 Newsletter

Week 22 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 9

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all well.

It was great to see so many at Options evening, I hope you found it useful and instructive. It was lovely to hear about their aspirations and their personal goals for the future. I know many students have already handed in their forms, the deadline for this is 31.03.25 to either Ms Dickinson or Mr Maybury. This is a very important decision so please ensure that pupils are certain before submitting.

For Shrove Tuesday there was a pancake sale in the concourse as part of their fundraising for the Confirmation residential to Carrotty Wood. Thank you to Armani B and Andrew S for their efforts in making the pancakes and managing sales



On Wednesday there was a girls rugby tournament for year 8 and 9 to which Chantelle and Leah represented the school. They did an amazing job and won many games. They came third overall. Well done!!

The boys football team had a great game last week at home. They held their own but just missed out on winning with Penalties. They work so hard as a team and to get to penalties is an achievement they should be proud of.

Next week on Tuesday there is a dance showcase, so I wish all participant's good luck.

Reminder of uniform, please ensure students are coming to school with black socks on, skirts rolled down, straight black trousers. If you have any issues uniform, please let me or Ms Dickinson know.

Hope you have a great 2 weeks, and I am looking forward to seeing all the achievement of year 9's coming up.

Kind regards
Miss Lyons

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.

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

Super Sparx mathematician

- **Bianka U**
- **Aatikah G**
- **Isabella L**
 - **Sian Z**
 - **Thai L**
- **Jessica M**
- **Jaden B**
- **Jack O**
- **Eri O**

Sparx tutor completion

9N – 86%

9I – 100%

9C – 93%

9O – 88%

9L – 89%

9A – 96%

9S – 86%

Sparx reader completion:

Year 9

9A: 92%

9C: 89%

9I: 81%

9L: 75%

9N: 79%

9O: 85%

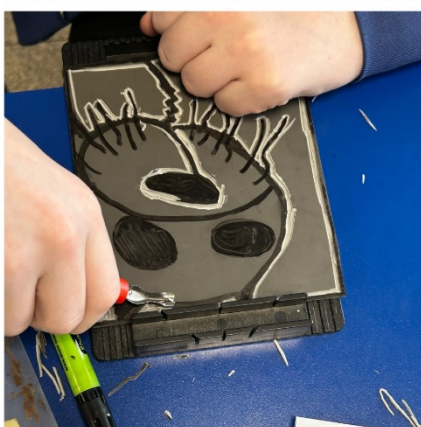
9S: 86%

Shoutout to

Isabella I for the highest sparx reader xp points in the school for this week

This week the next group of year 9's began their Lino prints.

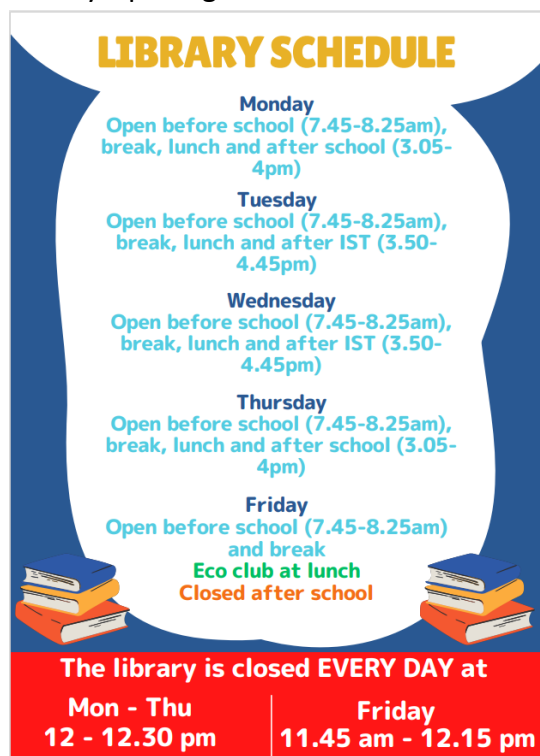
Work pictured by Olivia D, Ellie S, Ryan C, and Jayda G. Look out for their finished work in a couple of weeks!



Some great woodworking skills shown in Mr Farr's tech group – the class were completing their work with wax and stains – Malika and Jude's work pictured



* Library Opening Times



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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The poster features a blue background with a white central area containing the schedule. At the bottom, there are two stacks of books on either side of the text. The closing times are highlighted in a red box at the bottom.

Shout Out

- ❖ Lilly S – For great confidence in reading in English lesson – Miss Lyons
- ❖ Whole class 9GG3 a huge shoutout for outstanding effort and classwork! Some fantastic exam questions were completed! - Mr El Ghzal
- ❖ Elaine A – Great effort in Maths, showing some excellent skills – Miss Lyons
- ❖ Group shoutout – dance team for their effort in preparing for their show next week – Ms Redfern
- ❖ Sara K – For consistent effort in class and always doing the right thing – Miss O’Leary

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 Group attendance this week

92.56%

Tutor group attendance

N – 84.74%

I – 91.69%

C – 95.52%

O – 90.22%

L – 93.72%

A – 95.16%

S – 94.02%

WELL DONE



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

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 9 Charter are set out below.

Bacon's Pupil Charter 9
 Courage • Respect • Compassion • Faith • Integrity

Pre-Year Project	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
<input type="checkbox"/> +10pts Complete Summer Project 'Option Choices'	<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Participate in a club <input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Share my views with the School Council <input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Reflect on goals with an adult <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> +5pts Term 1 Completion Bonus	<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Hear from a speaker <input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Visit a University and explore career routes <input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Attend Parents Evening <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> +5pts Term 2 Completion Bonus	<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Represent the College <input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Celebrate Culture Day <input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Volunteer in the community <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> +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
☒ 100% Completed Bacon's Best Card +20 pts

Forthcoming events

- 31st March 2025 – Deadline for Options sheet – return to Mrs Dickinson or Mr Maybury