

Year 11 Newsletter

Week 3 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 3

Dear parents/guardians,

This week started off with a year 11 assembly where students received their positive shout out's, were informed of their revision schedule and received information on the school's sixth form. This week students have been given a revision schedule; this goes alongside their homework received by each subject. The purpose of this revision schedule is to allow structured revision tasks which set up recall of knowledge and skills in preparation for their GCSE exams. Revision and repetition of revisiting knowledge is an essential part of embedding knowledge into the long-term memory.

Furthermore, students received a talk about Bacon's College Sixth Form by the head of sixth form, Mr Foley. Students gained an insight on the day-to-day life of a sixth former and were informed about early offer letters. We are delighted to inform that 20 students have received early unconditional offers to the Bacon's Sixth Form. This was given as a result of high attitudinal grades throughout year 10 and outstanding results from end of year 10 mock exams. There will be two more occasions when early offers will be given, this will follow in October and March mocks. We hope to see many more students given these early offers!

All year 11 classes receive a drop in by a member of the senior leadership team, this is to ensure a positive and focused working environment. There has been overwhelming positive feedback from all members of SLT, a huge congratulations for student's positive attitude and hard work.

Finally, a reminder about the Year 11 parent's information evening next Thursday (26th). I am looking forward to seeing you all at Bacon's. If you are not able to attend with your child, please email Mr Pyke (<u>C.Pyke@baconscollege.co.uk</u>).

Kind regards,

Miss Hickman I.hickman@baconscollege.co.uk

Homework Champions & 'Shout outs'

A huge congratulations to students who are in the top 10 for positive points:

- 1) Frankie H 28 points
- 2) Temi D- 26 points
- 3) Daniel F- 25 points
- 4) Muska A- 24 points
- 5) Tayden H- 24 points
- 6) Darasimi O A- 22 points
- 7) Soraya T- 22 points
- 8) Umar B-21 points
- 9) Aniyah G-21 points
- 10) Taevyon R-21 points

Shout outs:

Leo L "consistently trying really hard in lessons and producing high quality independent tasks." Dr Patel

Elijah C-W "excellent effort with homework and contributions in lessons." Dr Patel

Frankie P "great enthusiasm in Ecology and detailed written work." Ms Miah

Mohammad S "increased effort and contribution in history" Ms Ley

Zara I "has been great this week - for defending her arguments regarding animal rights despite heavy criticism from her peers!" Mr Woods

Joshua D "his engagement in lessons and perseverance." Ms Majeed

Aaliyah A, Holly P and Hailey C-T "for writing great essays" Ms Majeed

Sadie C "Showed a willingness to engage and talk to peers." Ms Coles-Williams

Umar B "Good questioning during paired talk." Ms Coles-Williams

Joshua D "Willing to provide answers verbally and responds well to feedback, using it to improve his answers." Ms Coles-Williams

Ariella N "completing a past paper in her own time to prepare for the PPEs" Ms Newton

Frankie P "great recall on the events of 1923" Ms Newton

Abdul Majeed "excellent efficient problem solving in computer science" Ms Bennett

Liticia T "effort and contribution in computer science" Ms Bennett

Kim C "for producing an excellent written task and for always putting great effort into her work." Ms O'Leary

Joseph S "powering through coursework and completing to a high standard!" Ms Johnson

Umar B "for his contributions in RS and for asking considered questions in every lesson." Ms Ahazie

Jayda G "for completing her RS homework with great detail and for doing next week's in advance." Ms Ahazie

Victoria D, Oluwaferanmi A, Darasimi O "Excellent work ethic and racing ahead with design development." Ms Douglas

Mirwais and Feranmi A "making good progress in Business Studies" Ms Cole

Santiago R "He is extremely focused and driven in lessons, and this is showing in the essays he is producing which hold a strong sense of subject knowledge." Mr Raine

Leo BR , Tayden H and Abdullahi AS "Hard work and excellent contribution in discussions." Mr Ejueyitchie

Kai T "trying hard when working independently" Mr Marzano

Matthew W "Excellent engagement in science and gave well thought-through answers. Used the precise scientific terminology in the correct places." Mr Wilson

Hayron S "has shown willingness to learn and has actively engaged with the lessons in RS." Ms Fejzulahi

Lily S "for always coming to lesson with a positive can do attitude." Ms Keir

Mo K and Daniel O "for their diligence and attitude to learning." Ms Keir

Joseph S and Damario L-J "for some inciteful English language analysis!" Ms Small

Kayva S and Oscar C "for fantastic homework in Geography and continued hard work in lesson." Miss Hickman

Trips & Events

Another trip is going ahead next week in regard to QBE Hollis with Ms Newton. Good luck to all of those students, I hope it is as successful as the last!

A reminder to all students and parents that the bronze and silver Duke of Edinburgh reward is being offered to all students in year 11. If you are interested, please see Mr Bush (L.Bush@baconscollege.co.uk) for details.

Dates for the Diary

- Year 11 Information Evening Thursday 26th September All Year 11 students and parents to attend. A letter will be sent home with more information about this event.
- Monday 4th November Year 11 Mock Exams begin. This equates to 32 school days before the first mock exam begins.
- Thursday 5th December Year 11 Parents Evening. Results from November mock exams will be shared.

Attendance

The pastoral team will continue to make phone calls 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 the whole year 11 is 94.5%. As a school we are aiming for 97%. Attendance is key for GCSE success, please encourage your students to attend even if they are feeling slightly under the weather.

Winers for attendance this week are 11 with 96%, huge congratulations!

Weekly revision tip

How to make knowledge stick?

1. Review Your Notes

Why: Reviewing your notes shortly after the lesson helps reinforce the information while it's still fresh in your mind.

How: Spend 10-15 minutes going over what you've written. Highlight key points, add any missing details, and clarify anything that doesn't make sense. If your notes are messy, take this time to rewrite them neatly.

2. Summarise Key Concepts

Why: Summarising helps you process the information and distil it into something that's easier to remember.

How: Try to summarise the lesson in your own words. You can do this verbally, in writing, or even by creating a quick mind map. Keep it simple—focus on the main ideas and how they connect.

Reminders

- If you cannot attend the year 11 parent's information evening on Thursday 26th September, you email Mr Pyke (C.pyke@baconscollege.co.uk)
- Please note that eyelashes, false nails and more than one stud/earing per ear is against Bacon's uniform policy. Please ensure your child does not have any of these prior to leaving for school.
- 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.