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Year 9 Newsletter

Week 17 2024-2025

Courage

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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, Guardians and Students,

I hope you and your families are well. This week, Year 9 continued their focus on the college value of faith by further reflecting on how they can have faith in themselves to do the right thing, at the right time so that they achieve the best version of themselves. One particular focus for Year 9 this week has been celebrating the positive actions they do everyday – such as arriving on time, being polite to staff and completing their homework. In our year group assembly on Thursday, students were celebrated for their shout outs from teachers in the last 2 weeks as well as taking time to celebrate two individuals who went above and beyond to show compassion. Just before Christmas, Ka-Wayne and Michael supported an injured police officer and it was lovely to have Sargent Mike visit and present them with an award. Mike congratulated the two students for embodying the college's value of compassion and later sent an email commending year 9 for their behaviour and respect in assembly.

As Year 9 continue through the first half of this term, we will be exploring what their goals are through tutor time activities surrounding their option pathways. With the parents evening only 2 weeks away and option evening approaching, Year 9 students are focused on striving to be the best version of themselves in lesson. It has been great to see students taking on the feedback from their mid-year assessments in class and having invaluable discussions around learning. This has been particularly evident in History this week, with students using the feedback from their exams to improve their analysis of sources and interpretations. This process will be essential in helping them continue to make progress and reach their potential.

Looking forward to next week, the boys football team have a fixture on Wednesday in the South London Cup – here is hoping they get to the final like last year! Equally, selected students in interventions such as Football Beyond Borders, Volleyball and Basketball have fixtures coming up. These are really opportunities for students to show how much they have developed in their sport.

Thank you for your continued support, please do contact your child's tutor, pastoral, deputy head of year or myself if you have any concerns.

Kind Regards,
Mrs Dickinson (nee Ley)
Head of Year 9



Michael was given an award for helping an injured police officer just before Christmas. Sergeant Mike came into give an award to him and Ka-Wayne as a thank you.

- **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 – for the second week in a row

Dania B

Isabella L

Jaden B

Jessica M

Eri O

Sparx tutor completion

9O – 100%

9A – 96%

9S – 90%

9I – 96%

9L – 88%

9N – 86%

9C – 86%

Seneca

Top students by study time

Bobby C

Alfie D

Elsa R

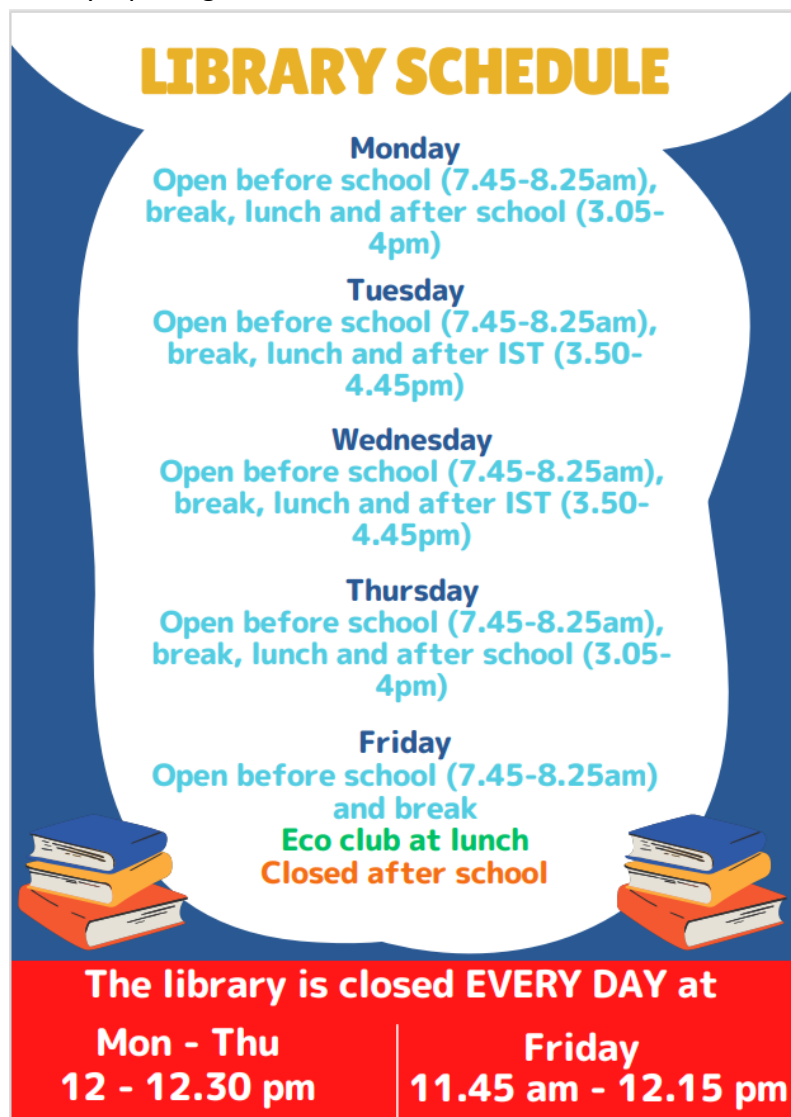
Top students by score

Ellie S

Dare I RA

David O

* Library Opening Times

A poster titled 'LIBRARY SCHEDULE' in bold yellow letters. The background is white with a blue border. The schedule is listed for Monday through Friday. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday have the same opening times: 'Open before school (7.45-8.25am), break, lunch and after school (3.05-4pm)'. Friday has 'Open before school (7.45-8.25am) and break', 'Eco club at lunch' in green, and 'Closed after school' in orange. At the bottom, a red banner states 'The library is closed EVERY DAY at' followed by a table with two columns: 'Mon - Thu' and 'Friday', with their respective closing times '12 - 12.30 pm' and '11.45 am - 12.15 pm'. There are illustrations of book stacks on the left and right sides of the poster.

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

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Mon - Thu 12 - 12.30 pm	Friday 11.45 am - 12.15 pm
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Shout Out

Maniche – for his confidence and excellent reading of the Bacon's prayer in tutor – **Ms Lyons**

Emma, Aatikah, Elisabeth, Sian, Wilson – Outstanding effort in class every lesson – **Ms Lyons**

Nakai and Eliza did really well in their mid-year history assessment – **Ms Newton**

Sean G and Elaine A achieved really highly in their mid-year history assessment – **Ms Dickinson**

Ela M, Aatikah G, and Carly E - all work really hard during English lessons – **Ms Qi**

Bobby in 9 Literacy for having the courage to answer questions (his hand went up four times today) and for sharing great ideas about poetry and the sea – **Ms Pollock**

Carly E for her amazing commitment to learning French and **Sarah N** for her kindness and excellent behaviour in lessons! – **Mr Ferrari**

Joshua O for showing excellent leadership skills and attitude to learning in PE lessons – **Mr O'Sullivan**

Beverley continues to excel in our rugby sessions and relishes the contact side of the sport where she shows real commitment and control – **Will from School of Hard Knocks**

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

92.65%

Tutor group attendance

N – 84.84

I- 91.53%

C – 95.27%

O – 91.01%

L- 93.84%

A – 94.96%

S-94.16%

WELL DONE



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

Students with 100% attendance :

Sami, Isabella, Hannah, Courtney, Demilade

Thomas, Asare, Nicole, Emma, Eliza

Dominic, Eri, Jonathan, Thai, Jessica

Olorunjuwon, David, Noortje, Elaine, William

Dmitriy, Anas, Kaitlin, Jayan, Mohamed


Kelvin, Rhys, Oliver, Melo,

Maniche, Rahmatulai, Ellie, Peter,

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






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Pre-Year Project
☐ +10pts
 Complete Summer Project 'Your Journey So Far'

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Attend Welcome/Carol Service <input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Attend Tutor Consultation <input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Bond on a trip away <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> +5pts Term 1 Completion Bonus	<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Attend Parents Evening <input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Share my views with the School Council <input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Participate in a club <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> +5pts Term 2 Completion Bonus	<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Represent the College <input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Volunteer in the community <input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Celebrate Culture Day <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> +5pts Term 3 Completion Bonus

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



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Pre-Year Project
☐ +10pts
 Complete Summer Project 'Personal Reflection'

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Participate in a club <input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Share my views with the School Council <input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Perform in a class event <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> +5pts Term 1 Completion Bonus	<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Reflect on goals with an adult <input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Represent the College <input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Visit a museum, gallery or theatre <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> +5pts Term 2 Completion Bonus	<input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Volunteer in the community <input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Celebrate Culture Day <input type="checkbox"/> +5pts Attend Parents Evening <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> +5pts Term 3 Completion Bonus

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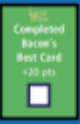



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Pre-Year Project
☐ +10pts
 Complete Summer Project 'Option Choices'

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
<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

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Forthcoming events
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6th February 2025 – Year 9 Parents Evening• 27th February 2025 – Year 9 Options Evening

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