

Year 11 Newsletter

Week 6 2024-2025

Courage

Compassion

Respect

Faith

Integrity

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'I came to give life, life in all its fullness'

John 10:10

Year 11- Week 6

Dear parents/guardians,

This week was the first week of the Year 11 new intervention timetable. This is where students receive additional class time in all subjects, where revision is the focus. The timetable is below for reference. 98% of students took this in their stride, arriving at 8.10am for an 8.15am start Tuesday through to Friday. The climate of these interventions was fantastic, with students engaged in their additional revision.

Examples of intervention classes last week:

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| assembly | Option A | Option B | Option C | RS rotation |
| Period 1 |
| Period 2 |
| Break | Break | Break | Break | Break |
| Period 3 |
| Period 4 |
| Lunch & Line up |
| Period 5 | Period 5 | Period 5 | Period 5 | Science – targeted 4+ & |
| Period 6 | Period 6 | Period 6 | Period 6 | 5+ |
| Maths | English | Period 7 | | |
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On Thursday we welcomed students and guardians into the internal Sixth Form Open evening. The evening started with a talk from Mr Foley and other members of the sixth form team, followed by an opportunity to tour and speak to teachers about the different courses available and Bacon's College. Below you will find a summary of key points shared by Mr Foley:

Our Guiding principle as a Sixth Form comes from our Bacon's Mission Statement:

· 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.

In the Sixth Form we tailor this to the stage students are at and see our role as being to:

- ·Teach you responsibility and prepare you for the world after 6th form.
- This means:
- ·Treat you like young adults wherever possible, until you give us reason not to
- · Work with you so you can be exemplar students for the rest of the college.
- ·Support you when you are struggling
- ·Reward you when you are achieving and showing the right attitude

As a Sixth form we pride ourselves on being Ambitious, Successful, Supportive and Inclusive.

<u>Ambitious -</u> We are dedicated to bringing out the best in all our students to aim and achieve high.

<u>Successful</u> - Students progressing on to their best options when they leave. In the last few years this has meant:

- 66% students go on to university
- 20% to Russel groups universities
- ≈15% to apprenticeships, including degree apprenticeships
- 68% D*-D in vocational subjects
- 98% A-level pass rate
- 3 students to Oxford in the last 3 years.

<u>Supportive</u> - We have a strong ethos of caring and support. We have a dedicated Sixth Form Welfare Officer, Heads of Year, tutors, and Head of Sixth Form. We work closely with students year 11 staff members to understand them as individuals.

<u>Inclusive</u> - We celebrate the uniqueness of all our students, and encourage them to become the best versions of themselves.

As a current Bacon's student there are many benefits to staying on that we feel it's important to highlight:

- Completely different to year 11 but with familiar teachers and staff
- Teachers who know you
- Teachers treat you like young adults
- No time wasted 'settling in' or 'getting to know' a new environment
- Personalised advice and support from staff who already know you when making big decision in year 12, rather than staff who are getting to know you still.

If you or your child were unable to attend, please make sure they speak to their subject teachers to find out more about the courses available, including a subject summary and entry requirements.

The next part of our Sixth Form program for all our year 11 students this year is our taster day that takes place early next half term on Tuesday 12th November. This includes students who did not attend our open evening. Students will be asked to pick up to 5 subjects to try at the taster day and should be considering which subjects they will choose now. We will be asking students to choose their subjects on the w.c. 21st October so they have a little bit of time to think about. They will then have a 50-minute lesson in each subject where teachers will give them some more information about the subject and they will have an opportunity to try out a bit of A-level learning.

Kind regards,

Miss Hickman

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Homework Champions & 'Shout outs'

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

- 1) Leo B-R with 32 points
- 2) Emmanuela A with 28 points
- 3) Leviah S with 27 points
- 4) Elijah W-C with 26 points
- 5) Zak B with 25 points
- 6) Mounia C with 24 points
- 7) Evie-Mia B with 23 points
- 8) Umar B with 22 points
- 9) Fiona A-O with 20 points
- 10) Abdulahi A S with 20 points

Shout outs:

Keiran M and Emon C "Really putting effort into English at the moment." Ms Colquhoun

Holly P "For being so proactive and diligent with learning her English Literature texts." Ms Keir

Santiago R-M "Massive improvement from last year." Ms Neziri

Evie -Mia B "Always trying her best and never giving up." Ms Neziri

Ayham A "Most improved behaviour in lesson." Ms Cole

Azeez I "Excellent quality of coursework." Ms Cole

Joshua D and Ronnie W "Going the extra mile in biology. Both produced their own presentations based on a question they asked in class and presented these in lesson." Ms Coles-Williams



Holly P "Achieving the highest score in the class for her mid-unit assessment." Dr Patel

Ageel J "Excellent effort in class and homework." Dr Patel

Damario L-J "Excellent work in unseen poetry." Ms Small

Gabriel M "Exceptional and consistent commitment to English" Ms Small

Jada C-C "Highest mark in the class weekly test (92%)." Mr Mateer

Kelly C and Mariyah I "For consistently working at a high level in Computer Science." Mr Sagoe

Matthew W "Excellent contribution to science lessons and always willing to attempt to answer challenging questions." Mr Wilson

Mo K "Excellent week especially in class discussions. Marvellous Mo and a meaningful marked mind set." Mr Ejueyitchie

Jada C-C "Consistently demonstrates a strong work ethic and is showing excellent independent work, particularly in her exam response tasks." Mr Ejueyitchie

Eric O "Catching up on all missed Sparx science homework." Mr Pyke

Amadu D "Taking responsibility for where he sits in lessons." Mr Pyke

Harry W "Making some better decisions." Mr Pyke

Alhaji K "Effort to catch up on missed work." Ms Ley

Dorian M "Contribution in lessons." Ms Ley

Kieron T "For perseverance, homework and an improved attitude." Mr Woods

Aniyah G "Excellent work both in class and for homework." Ms O'Leary

Adnan B and Jhadiel B "Improved focus and effort in Geography." Mr Marzona

Jayda G "For consistently high quality of work in science." Ms InghamRoy

Milly W, Daniel O and Eric O "For perseverance and effort in and out of lesson." Ms Younge

Ayo and Darasimi "Always trying their best in history." Ms Newton

Kavya S , Reem D and May J "Hard work at offsite gym on a Friday afternoon." Mr Pyke

Elijah W-C "Very perceptive analysis in English." Ms Ahamed

Josiah A and Azeez "Excellent work and contributions in Geography." Ms Hickman

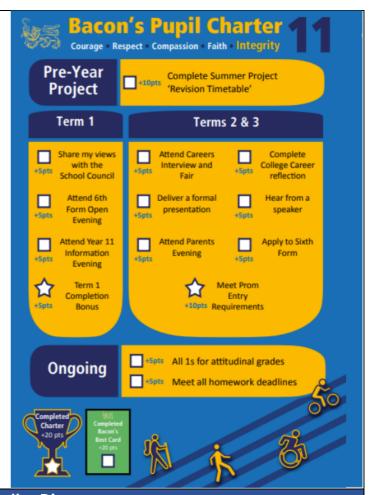
Pupil Charter

During tutor time on Friday 18th October tutors will update the Bacon's Pupil Charter for their respective year groups.

So far this half term, Year 11 students have had the opportunity to attend the Year 11 Information Evening and the Sixth form Open Evening.

Some students have also started receiving their 1:1 careers interview which are crucial in help students to determine next steps.

All Charter points are linked to our rewards system. Rewards assemblies will take place next week and we are looking forward to formally celebrating the outstanding work that has been completed in Year 11 already this year.



Dates for the Diary

- Monday 4th November Year 11 Mock Exams begin.
- Thursday 5th December Year 11 Parents Evening. Results from November mock exams will be shared.

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 was 94.5%, with the winning form group being 11C with 96.4%!

Weekly revision tip

1. Start revising early

— i.e. months, not days before the exam.

2. Plan your revision using a timetable

Planning out your revision means you can spend more time revising and less time worrying you've forgotten something. CGP's amazing How To Revise book has plenty of timetables for you to fill in yourself, with loads of great tips on how to make the most of the revision period.

3. Don't spend ages making your notes look pretty

This is just wasting time. For diagrams, include all the details you need to learn, but don't try to produce a work of art.

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/earing 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.