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Year 10 Newsletter

Christmas Edition 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 10

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you and your families are well and prepared for the Christmas break.

It has been a busy few weeks here in Year 10 with advent events and assessments. Last week Y10 took part in the community advent appeal raising money for the homeless charity St Mungo's. The students had a range of stalls including penalty shoot out from 10C, chocolate covered strawberries by 10O and festive hot chocolates by 10N! Thank you to those who participated, I cannot wait to see how much they have raised.

Inside the classroom, students have been preparing for and taking their mid-year assessments. This will be the first time students have taken a GCSE style exam and will be a good indicator of the progress they have made. Thank you for your continued support during this period as students, please do check satchel one for any updates on exams after Christmas.

Outside of the classroom, students have taken part in a range of extra-curricular activities such as the PSHE assembly run by DePaul – a charity which focuses on young people experiencing homelessness or at risk of becoming homeless. Students engaged in a interactive assembly for the chance to win sweets and learn about risk factors. On the pitch, our football team is doing very well having won the last handful of games – including one against the prestigious Alleyns in which they won! Please keep reading for our rewards assembly updates!

As Christmas time approaches, I want to take this moment to say a huge thank you for all your support this term. I hope you and your families have a restful break and look forward to welcoming students back on 6th January.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you would like our support or assistance.

All the best,

Mrs Dickinson

★ Shout outs ★

Sean G and Noortje A - Consistent hard work in GCSE PE - in lessons and homework completion – Mr Pyke

Beverley A - for her outstanding contribution to the Christmas community fundraising – Ms Younge

Henry - is a driving force in 10C History. He shows a fantastic attitude towards learning, and contributes regularly and purposefully – Ms Kristiansen

Jasmine – For excellent effort and hard work in Media Studies. - Mr Ejueyitchie

Mateus - really good focus in history and keen to ask for help and act on guidance and feedback – Ms Newton

Jayan - has consistently been a pleasure to teach since September. He demonstrates a mature and focused attitude towards his GCSE coursework and has progressed ahead of his peers – Ms Galvin

Mohamed U and Mattia K – diligence in computer science – **Mr Sagoe**

Alfie D has made a massive improvement in RS - focused and engaged with a mature attitude – **Mr Woods**

Benjamin has made impressive progress so far, this academic year, consistently trying his hardest in lessons and engaging thoughtfully with topics. - **Ms Strarford**

Maniche K for his dedication and focus in history – **Ms Dickinson**

Courtney W has been consistent in completing homework set and the midst of this has produced some full mark essays – **Mr Wilson**

Shammah for her engagement and participation in every lesson. – **Mr Wilson**

Rewards assembly



Homework

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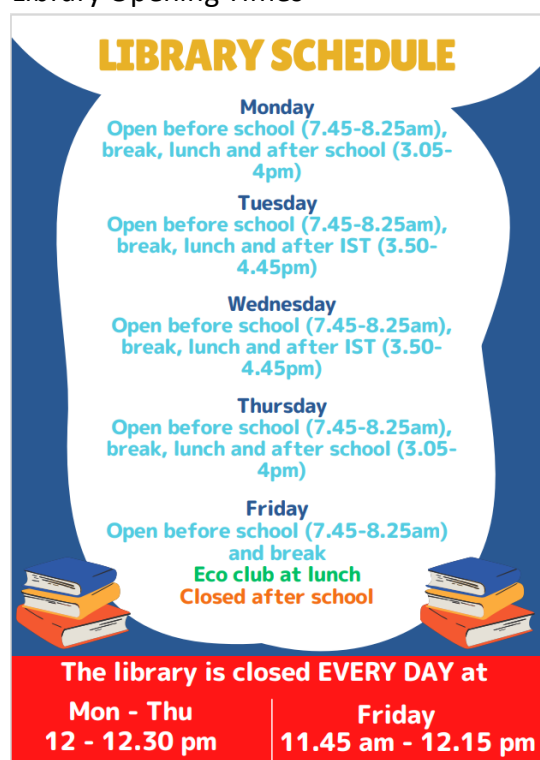
Homework is key to ensuring your child is revising regularly and stretching their learning further.

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.

* 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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★ Rewards assembly – homework stars! ★

Maths homework star – Eri O

English homework star – Daniel D-A

Science homework star – Rahmatulai D

MFL homework star – Thai L and Ellie S

Sparx reader – Sam-James

Attendance



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EVERY DAY COUNTS!



ATTENDANCE TODAY, SUCCESS TOMORROW

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

91.4% down from 93.4%

Tutor group attendance

N - 82.0

I - 91.8

C - 95.4

O - 89.5

L - 94.2

A - 93.3

S - 89.7



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

★ Attendance rewards ★

Attendance Award Raffle

Gbemi A



Punctuality Award Raffle

Emma Y



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.



AOB

Uniform and appearance

We are proud of our distinctive uniform and Bacon's College students take pride in their appearance. A high standard of personal appearance is always expected of all students, this includes travelling to and from school. Anyone arriving at school in non-uniform clothing will be sent home to get changed. Details of our uniform policy can be found here: <https://www.baconscollege.co.uk/parents/uniform-personal-presentation>

A particular reminder that unnatural hair colours, fake eye lashes, nail extensions, jewellery (other than a single small stud in the ear lobe) and hair beads other than navy blue, black or transparent, are not permitted.

Forthcoming events

- Student Survey 18th November to December
- Monday 15th-Thursday 19th Y10 assessments – your first set of GCSE exams - only 22 school days away
- Mid-year assessments – 8th -13th January
- Parents evening – new date TBC
- Parents evening – 9th July
- Work experience - Monday 13th July – Friday 17th July