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# Year 8 Newsletter

## Newsletter Number 4!- 2025-2026

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,

Pupils observed Remembrance Day with great respect and enthusiasm this week. Their participation was exemplary, and special recognition goes to Harry J for his outstanding contribution to the community through the sale of handmade poppies — a wonderful example of compassion and initiative. This is pictured below. Well done Harry a lovely example of our Pride of Bacons in action.

The student survey has now been completed, providing valuable feedback that will help us continue to enhance and develop a positive student experience across the school. Thank you to everyone who took part.

Looking ahead, Anti-Bullying Week will take place next week. As part of the national campaign, students are encouraged to wear **odd socks** on **Friday 21st November**, to celebrate individuality and promote kindness and inclusion.

Finally, let's continue to focus on improving attendance. Every day in school counts — together, we can reach our target of 100% attendance! My email address is [g.galvin@baconscollege.co.uk](mailto:g.galvin@baconscollege.co.uk) and my school ext. 4083. Here's to a successful and rewarding week ahead!

Best wishes,

Ms G Galvin



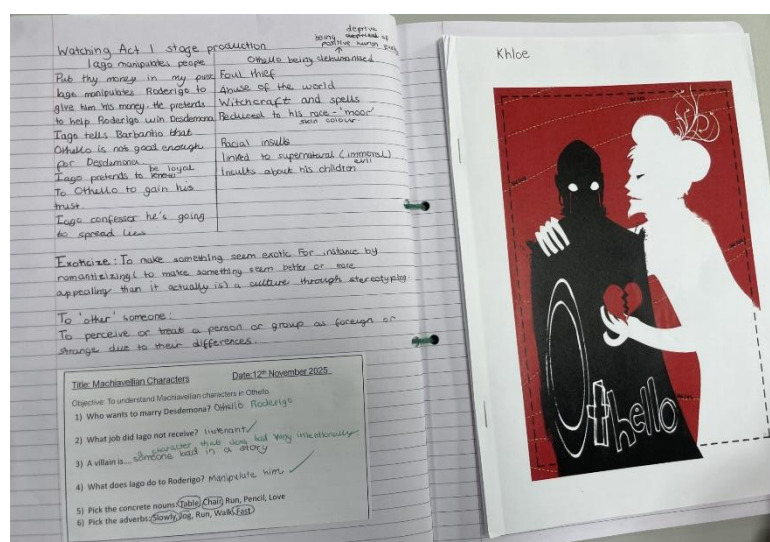
## Academic Excellence and Homework

### English

Another excellent week of lessons. When I am not teaching, I make a consistent effort to complete as many lesson drop-ins as possible, and it has been a pleasure to see the high level of engagement across classrooms. This week, I

particularly enjoyed the English discussions observed in Mr Raynor's and Ms Majeed's lessons, where students are studying Othello. The quality of dialogue and depth of understanding were impressive.

Below is Khloe L's work from Ms Majeed's lesson, demonstrating her understanding of the Machiavellian characters within Othello.



### Well done to the Year 8 Rugby Team!

Mr Leport continues to work incredibly hard with our rugby students, showing real dedication — even training in the rain to keep them progressing. This monthly tournament, held at Sacred Heart, is always competitive, and this win (pictured) is a true testament to the team's commitment, resilience, and support for one another, even in challenging English weather.



A fantastic achievement — well done to all involved!

### Students pictured:

Kai.J, Franklyn.L, Henry.O, Isaiah.D, James.B, Harry.J, Dickson.F, Aziz.B, Cava.N, Jae.T, Wassim.M, Oliver.C

## Homework

Homework is key to ensuring your child is revising regularly and stretching their learning further. Please continue to support in this being completed any issues let me know! All students are issued with a Chromebook. If for any reason they have been lost or damaged please contact

[a.guinn@baconscollege.co.uk](mailto:a.guinn@baconscollege.co.uk).

### Homework Club

Homework Club is available to all students during the Library's opening hours including before school, break and lunchtime. 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.

## Shout Out

***Lots of shoutouts this week:***

***English: Cristian V and Isaiah D for developing a deep analysis and academic writing flair in English. Ms Colquhoun***

***General Behaviour: Millie : For showing a real commitment to being her best self this term. Ms Harris- Casey***

***History: Muhammed excellent essay writing and focus in history, Kiara more engaged with history recently, Darya and Danya great content knowledge in history: - Ms Newton***

***English: Shoutout to Haoyu, Tony P, Ja'Sharne, Osio, Stevie and Lexie H for their active participation and contributions in English lessons. Ms Qi***

***Fantastic improvement in focus and effort lately from 8 Metroplitan. Majority have shown great determination and are now completing lessons successfully. Keep up the amazing work.- Ms Ahazie***

***Rose S-H - A fantastic Double English Lesson - everytime I looked at Rose's analytical work, she had filled the page! Great focus and effort today (Wednesday)***

***English: Eliza B - Really engaged with the textual analysis of Othello in our double English lesson, had a response for every time I asked 'What might this quote tell us' and was usually correct or on the right track! Mr Toller***

***English: Can I please give a shout out to Mattice for his excellent reading of Iago, he immerses himself into the character very well. I also would like to shout out Michael C for his excellent reading. Danyah S, Jae T, Lexie H, Nathaniel R for their contributions and participation in the lessons this week.- Ms Majeed.***

***PSHE: Isiah D, Stevie K & Henry O- Thoughtful and mature answers in PSHE - Mr Pyke***

***Dance: Shouting out Amirat and Henry B for achieving star dancer in their PE lesson! – Ms Redfern***

**Maths: Ayah, Talia, George - For excellent homework and classwork - Ms Lyons**

**Top 70 Point Holders to date..... Congratulation to Sid who remains at the top.**

<b>Sid</b>	<b>8S</b>	<b>408</b>
James	8S	392
Freya	8A	373
Lady-Renee	8A	343
Itohan	8S	339
Wassim	8A	338
Oliver	8S	338
Haoyu	8S	332
Anna	8S	329
Talia	8S	325
Darcey	8S	308
Arthur	8S	305
Jae	8A	304
Astera	8S	300
Daisy	8A	298
Henry	8A	298
Sonny	8S	296
Sienna	8S	295
Malachi	8S	294
Anastasiya	8S	291
George	8S	288
Elliott	8A	281
Ayah	8A	275
Sara	8A	267
Evie	8A	267
Kaylyn	8A	266
Adam	8C	265
Harry	8L	265
Sarah	8S	265
Oba	8A	263
Pearl	8A	262
Priyanshu	8A	260
Maksimilian	8L	258
Keefe	8A	256
Josiah	8C	256
Bosco	8I	256
Sebastian	8A	255
Robbie	8A	253
Cosmo	8O	253
Stefany	8S	253
Martha	8A	252

<b>Nathaniel</b>	8S	252
<b>Angel</b>	8S	249
<b>Millie</b>	8S	242
<b>Liya</b>	8C	241
<b>Astrid</b>	8L	241
<b>Sanet</b>	8S	240
<b>Teddi</b>	8O	238
<b>Ruby</b>	8O	235
<b>Sahand</b>	8A	234
<b>Rozzena</b>	8C	234
<b>Navied</b>	8A	232
<b>Nathaniel</b>	8S	232
<b>Mara</b>	8A	231
<b>Roan</b>	8I	231
<b>Henry</b>	8O	230
<b>Evelyn Hei Kiu</b>	8A	226
<b>Franklyn</b>	8L	226
<b>Leo</b>	8N	223
<b>Corey</b>	8I	222
<b>Rebecca</b>	8I	221
<b>Kai</b>	8O	219
<b>Rose</b>	8I	218
<b>Heitor</b>	8O	216
<b>Luca</b>	8C	213
<b>Shyla</b>	8A	211
<b>Alexander</b>	8I	211
<b>Eliza</b>	8O	210
<b>Riley</b>	8C	209
<b>Thea</b>	8N	206

### Attendance

We are incredibly grateful for your continued support in ensuring excellent attendance throughout last academic year. Your commitment to getting students into school—on time and ready to learn—has made a real difference and raised the whole school attendance.

At Bacon’s College, we believe that “Every Minute, Every Lesson, Every Day” truly matters. Every moment in the classroom is an opportunity to grow, to learn, and to move one step closer to success.

As we look ahead to the start of a new year we want to continue this message. Consistent attendance will be key to building on the progress made so far and ensuring that every student is fully prepared for the challenges and opportunities of Year 8.



## Pupil Charter:



**Bacon's Pupil Charter 8**  
 Courage • Respect • Compassion • Faith • Integrity

Pre-Year Project	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3
<input type="checkbox"/> +10pts Complete Summer Project 'Personal Reflection'	<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

**Ongoing**

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

Completed Charter +20 pts  
 Completed Bacon's Best Card +20 pts

It would be greatly appreciated if students could share their feedback with myself (Mrs Galvin), Mr Darbin, and their tutors regarding the points above. We would like to acknowledge when these tasks have been completed in their planners and ensure this is reflected on their Arbor records.

Please take a moment to speak with your child at home to review what they have accomplished so far. Your support is invaluable in helping us recognise and celebrate their efforts.

**We highly encourage you to download the Arbor app**, which provides a fantastic way to stay informed about your child's progress. With the app, you can easily track both positive points and any negative referrals in real time. It's a great tool for keeping the lines of communication open and having meaningful conversations at home about your child's achievements and areas for improvement.

Please refer to the school's website here for information on downloading: [Arbor Parent Portal and App allows you to view attendance statistics, behaviour points and](#)

[notifications from school.](#)

## Forthcoming events

- **Odd socks day- Antibullying week Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November**