

# Year 10 Newsletter

# Week 26 - 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

A week in the life of Year 10

# Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the final half term of the academic year, we would like to share some updates and reflections on the fantastic progress being made by our Year 10 students.

# A Strong Term of Effort and Growth

Staff across all departments have been genuinely impressed with the **focus**, **effort and determination** shown by our Year 10 cohort. Students have engaged positively with challenging topics and continue to demonstrate a mature approach to their learning.

Although they are not yet in their final GCSE year, it's important to recognise that **the work being completed now directly contributes to their final results**. These are core GCSE topics and skills that will be revisited and assessed in Year 11.

# **Exciting Opportunities Beyond the Classroom**

We've been pleased to offer students enriching experiences that help connect classroom learning to the world beyond school. Recent trips have included:

- The second second
- A visit to the Hilton Hotel for insights into the hospitality industry
- Y A Street League graduation trip at the O2, celebrating personal development and teamwork

These visits play a crucial role in broadening students' horizons and helping them think about future pathways.

#### Looking Ahead: Summer Exams & Revision Support

With summer exams fast approaching, all Year 10 students have now received their personalised exam timetables. These assessments are an important milestone, helping us track progress and set clear targets for Year 11. Dates for end of Year exams for Year 10 are 2nd -16<sup>th</sup> June.

To support effective preparation, all students will take part in a **revision strategies workshop** during IST (Independent Study Time) next week. This session will cover essential techniques for planning, memorising, and managing stress during exam season.

# Thank You for Your Continued Support

We're proud of everything our Year 10 students are achieving and remain grateful for your partnership in helping them thrive. If you have any questions or need further support, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards, Mr Tubb Head of Year 10 Bacon's College

#### Academic Excellence and Homework

#### • 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.

Year 10 need to understand that homework is now just revision, and every bit of work they are expected to complete contributes directly to their exam preparation.

# **Shout Outs**

"Kane for always trying his best in English

Maisie for always developing her analysis deeper,

And Adel for greater lesson participation recently" Ms Colquhoun, English

"Richie for improved homework completion

Archie for - catching up on work he missed

Never – courage and focus in lessons

Aimar – always working hard in lessons" Mrs Dickinson, History

"Morgan and Kayla are always on point in GCSE PE lessons and EverLearner homework Year 10 Core PE – Basketball Group – 100% effort and commitment from all 8 of you " Mr Pyke, P.E

"Here are the list of students in 10XY-SC1 who has achieved more than 95% on the Year 10 Biology Flashcard quiz!

Sophia (30/30)

Karol (30/30)

Miki (28/30)

Mia (28/30)

Boryana (28/30)

Please give these students a shout out for working hard over Easter" Ms Coker, Science

"The following students for getting 100% in the last unit test

Talia

Gideon

Morgan

Ethan" Mr Neziri, Maths

"The following students for excellent focus and high quality classwork in Maths:
Eray
Richie
Malachi
Arabella
Teddy
Shaniyah
Maisie
Gbolahan
Kane
Freddie
Maliki" Mr Jalal, Maths
"I'd like to give a shout-out to Javanni for being the best at graph questions in every single assessment and
for answering really challenging skills questions in his homework booklet" Ms Miah, Science
"Eray and Rafael for improved behaviour and effort in Spanish.
Karol , Mia and Talia for consistently producing high quality work and always doing the right thing." Ms
Hunter, Spanish
"Sean for using very precise language with his verbal answers and Morgan for outstanding revision in
preparation for her C3 test (11 pages of revision!)" Dr Patel, Science
"Adel and Gbolahan for putting in extra time on their coursework." Mr Sagoe, Creative Imedia
"Clayton Oliveira
· Crystal
· Karol
· Carlos
For always producing high quality work, doing the right thing and always punctual to lesson." Ms Cole,
Business
"Daisy Rae
Lillie- Mai

Shaniyah

Excellent start with coursework" Mr Ejueyitchie, Media

"Sean, Kyle, Seb, Morgan – Excellent performance in end of unit assessment in GCSE PE

Aymene, Morgan, Harley, Kyle – taking time to complete homework to a very high standard – GCSE PE" Mr Pyke, P.E

"Keira helped a person after falling down near Canada Water station, last week. She couldn't go to the hospital as she wasn't old enough to take them but shout out to her for showing bravery and doing the right thing!" Ms Coker, Science

"Lamees – great 12 mark question on the failure of colonisation of Virginia and Anna always being really engaged and enthusiastic about history making great contributions to lessons and asking interesting questions.

" Ms Newton, History

"Jack - his written work shows a lot more effort is being put into the work that he is producing and he is contributing to lessons. Elisha - seems focused and determined to do better in lessons. **Bethel, whose focus** has always been to product work of high quality. Lulia, who tries to make sure that she follows exactly what is asked of the class during tasks." Mr Murray, English

"10-Triple class - embracing nature during the sampling required practical." Ms Coles-Williams, Science



#### Attendance

#### A Note on Attendance and Punctuality

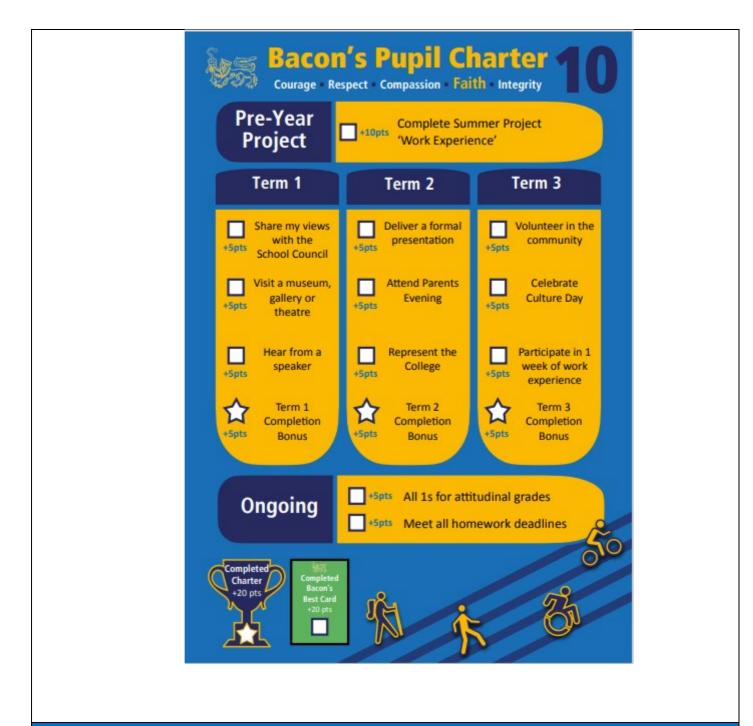
We'd like to remind all families of the ongoing importance of **excellent attendance and punctuality**. Every lesson counts, especially as we continue to build on essential GCSE content. Please help us ensure your child attends daily and arrives promptly, ready to learn.

# **Pupil charter**

Year 10 are making good progress through the Bacon's Pupil Charter.

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.



#### AOB

# Best of Luck – Duke of Edinburgh (DofE)

A special mention to all the students taking part in the **Duke of Edinburgh activity this Saturday**. We are incredibly proud of your commitment and resilience. We wish you the very best for a successful, safe, and enjoyable expedition!

Forthcoming events - End of Year exams for Year 10: 2nd June – 16th June