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Year 10 Newsletter

End of Year - 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 end of the academic year, we would like to take a moment to celebrate the incredible achievements of our Year 10 students. The entire school community has been consistently impressed by their dedication, resilience, and excellence—both academically and personally.

A Year of Excellence

Our Year 10 students have truly set the standard this year. Whether it's through their thoughtful contributions in lessons, their leadership in group projects, or their commitment to extracurricular activities, they have shown maturity and ambition. For example:

- In English, students have produced insightful analytical essays that rival GCSE-level work.
- In Science, practical investigations have been conducted with precision and curiosity.

Their behaviour around school has been exemplary, and they continue to be role models for younger students.

Thank You to Parents and Carers

We would also like to extend our heartfelt thanks to you—our parents and carers—for your continued support. Your cooperation in maintaining high standards of attendance, punctuality, and behaviour has had a direct impact on student outcomes. Together, we've created a collaborative environment that allows our students to thrive.

Celebrating Progress

Every student in Year 10 has made significant progress this year. Whether academically, socially, or emotionally, we are proud of the journey each student has taken. As they move into Year 11, the final stretch before their GCSEs, it is crucial that they build upon this momentum.

Next year will be intense, but with the same level of effort, focus, and support, we are confident that our students will rise to the challenge. Revision strategies, time management, and wellbeing will be key areas of focus, and we will be working closely with students and families to ensure success.

Thorpe Park Rewards Trip

A special shout-out goes to all the students who attended the Thorpe Park rewards trip. This was not just a fun day out—it was a celebration of their hard work, positive attitude, and commitment throughout the year. Experiences like these help build friendships, boost morale, and reinforce the value of effort and achievement.



Work Experience Success

This week, our Year 10 students completed their work experience placements—and what a success it has been! From law firms to retail, healthcare to education, our students embraced the opportunity with enthusiasm and professionalism. Employers have shared glowing feedback, highlighting:

- “A confident and articulate young person who showed initiative from day one.”
- “A pleasure to work with—polite, punctual, and eager to learn.”
- “Demonstrated excellent teamwork and communication skills.”

These experiences are invaluable, giving students a taste of the working world and helping them develop skills that will serve them well in the future.

We are incredibly proud of our Year 10 cohort and excited for what lies ahead. Thank you once again for your support, and we look forward to continuing this journey together into Year 11.

Warm regards,
Mr Tubb
Head of Year 10

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.

Shout Out

English Shoutouts:

- **Khadija** – For her outstanding analytical writing and ability to interpret complex texts with maturity and insight. Her recent essay on *Macbeth* was praised for its originality and depth.
- **Artur** – For consistent improvement in written expression and thoughtful contributions during class discussions. His creative writing piece on dystopian futures was a standout.
- **Sheba** – For her articulate and confident speaking skills, especially during the recent debate on social media's impact on youth.
- **Gideon** – For his excellent comprehension and ability to link themes across texts. His comparative analysis of poetry was detailed and perceptive.
- **Rachel** – For her dedication to improving her vocabulary and grammar, which has led to significant progress in her written work.
- **Gabriella** – For her passion for literature and her ability to bring texts to life through expressive reading and insightful commentary.

Maths shout outs:

- **Nimot** – For her precision and problem-solving skills in algebra and geometry. She consistently tackles higher-level questions with confidence.
- **Kevin** – For his perseverance and growth in understanding complex mathematical concepts, especially in trigonometry.
- **Poppy** – For her excellent reasoning and ability to explain her methods clearly to peers, making her a valuable team player in group tasks.
- **Abass** – For his strong performance in statistics and data handling, showing great attention to detail.
- **Amaana** – For her consistent effort and improvement in exam technique, which has led to better outcomes in assessments.
- **Morgan** – For her enthusiasm and curiosity, often going beyond the curriculum to explore mathematical puzzles and challenges.

Science shoutouts:

- **Debbie** – For her leadership in practical experiments and her ability to apply scientific theory to real-world scenarios.
- **Ryan** – For his inquisitive nature and strong grasp of physics concepts, particularly in forces and motion.
- **Emilio** – For his excellent understanding of biology and his thoughtful questions that deepen class discussions.
- **Ethan** – For his methodical approach to chemistry experiments and accurate data recording.
- **Shaniyah** – For her resilience and steady progress in all three sciences, especially in mastering key terminology.
- **Lesley** – For her enthusiasm in environmental science topics and her ability to connect science with global issues.

Attendance

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

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 next year—our final year before GCSE exams—this message becomes even more important. 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 11.

Together, with your continued support, we can make sure that every student finishes their journey at Bacon's College with pride, confidence, and the best possible outcomes.