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Year 11 Newsletter

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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 KS4

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the start of the GCSE examination period, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support throughout your child's journey so far. The weeks ahead mark an important milestone, and we are incredibly proud of the hard work, dedication, and resilience our students have shown.

Over the coming weeks, your child will be sitting their final GCSE exams. These assessments are the culmination of years of learning, and while this time can be both exciting and stressful, we are confident that our students are well-prepared to meet the challenge.

Please help us ensure that students:

- Get plenty of rest and maintain a regular sleep routine.
- Eat well and stay hydrated, especially on exam days.
- Arrive on time and fully equipped (pens, pencils, calculators, etc.).
- Feel supported and encouraged, regardless of any nerves or pressure.

We are here every step of the way, and our staff remain available for any last-minute questions, guidance, or reassurance your child may need.

Students will be coming in for drop downs and their lessons as usual until they have completed all examinations for that subject. Please support up in their attendance to these very important sessions and lessons. Students should now all have their drop down timetables and examination timetables, if they do not, please don't hesitate to email myself (l.hickman@baconscollege.co.uk) or Mrs Anum (a.anum@baconscollege.co.uk)

As we approach the end of your child's time at Bacons, I would encourage you to respond to prim invitations. This year prom will be held on Wednesday 18th June on a Thames River Boat. Most invitations have now gone out via text and require you to complete a Microsoft forms link, as well as £30 payment on Arbor. If you have any questions on this, please contact Miss Hickman via email.

Finally, we wish all our Year 11 students the very best of luck. They've worked incredibly hard, and we have every confidence that they will do themselves proud.

Kind Regards,

Miss Hickman-**Head of year 11**

Shout outs

“Shoutout to **Year 11 Spanish** for completing their speaking exams this week!” MS O’Leary

“Can I shout out my GCSE art class for completing their art coursework and exam - their energy and enthusiasm always brighten up the day!” Ms Kader

Mr Ejueyitchie shout outs:

Abdulahi A – Consistent dedication over two years. Now’s the time to show that you can get that number one spot!

Evie-Mia B– Outstanding effort from day one, turning hard work into achievement. A brilliant role model.

Leo BR – A natural debater who’s grown into a confident media professional. Great work!

Bobby B – Strong progress this past month. Keep the momentum going!

Sadie C – Exceptional commitment and focus since day one. An inspiring example to others.

Jada CC– What a journey! Incredible development over two years. Well done!

Tayden H– A media star in the making, fully prepped and aiming for that number one spot.

Zara I – Fantastic to see your effort and determination stepping up these past few weeks.

Mohamed SK – "Marvellous Mo" is exam-ready and set to shine!

Olive O – A remarkable transformation from quiet to confident. A true media pro.

Eric O – Focused, determined, and ready to break into the top three.

Romarion S – Consistent effort this past month. Keep pushing!

Harry S– Solid work over the last few weeks. Stay sharp!

Tommy S – A month of real growth and now aiming high. Top five, here we come!

Fabian M, Abdulahi A, Holy B, Jada CC, Olive O “Fantastic work and attitude the entire year. Superb pupils.” Mr Mateer

Evie-Mia B “for excellent effort during her science lesson last week. She produced high quality answers that showcased her knowledge of structure and bonding.” Dr Patel

Taeyvon R “excellent effort in lessons and excellent 6 mark answer on structure and bonding.” Dr Patel

Nerija S “being really engaged in history and making good progress in her recent Crime exam paper” Ms Newton

Ariella N “being very proactive in her history revision.” Ms Newton

Madison J “good practise crime exam showing she has made progress.” Ms Newton

Joshua I "Hard work in GCSE PE intervention." Mr Pyke

Jennifer Le "loads of effort and revision in physics which is paying off" Mr Wilson

Zara I "consistently applying herself and displaying a desire to improve" Mr Woods

Kieran T "making a final effort to improve performance." Mr Woods

Lily S "asking pertinent questions to develop her understanding" Mr Woods

Renato S "making a final effort to improve his performance" Mr Woods

Year 11 Geography "Fantastic effort for the year 11 drop down on Thursday, you all were amazingly well behaved and hard working throughout the whole day!" Miss Hickman

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.

* 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

Attendance

Attendance to examinations is essential, students can only not be present if they are hospitalised and will therefore have special considerations given by the exam boards. If you or your child face any significant difficulties or illnesses during this time, please contact the school office as soon as possible.



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 11 Charter are set out below.



Forthcoming events

- Public examinations start: WB 12/05/2025
- Prom: 18.06/25
- Results day: 21/08/25