

Year 11 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 11

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of this term, we want to take a moment to celebrate the incredible efforts and achievements of our Year 11 students. This has been a term filled with hard work, determination, and growth, and we could not be prouder of the way they have embraced the challenges of their final year.

Attendance and Punctuality

We are delighted to report that attendance and punctuality have been outstanding. These habits are the foundation of success, and your support in ensuring students are present and on time has made a real difference. Thank you for working with us to maintain these high standards.

Motivation and Engagement

The level of motivation and engagement shown by our students has been exceptional. Lessons have been vibrant and purposeful, and it is clear that Year 11 are committed to making the most of every opportunity. Their positive attitude and resilience have set a fantastic tone for the year ahead.

Mock Exam Success

We are immensely proud of the way students approached their recent mock exams. The progress demonstrated across subjects is impressive and reflects the dedication they have shown throughout the term. These results give us confidence that, with continued effort, they are on track for success in the summer.

Looking Ahead

After Christmas, the countdown to GCSE exams truly begins. The dedication and resilience built this term will need to continue and grow as we enter this crucial period. Revision, focus, and consistency will be key, and we will be here every step of the way to support students in achieving their goals.

A Well-Deserved Break

Before that, however, we hope everyone takes the opportunity to rest, recharge, and spend quality time

with family and friends over the festive season. This break is well-earned, and we encourage students to return in January refreshed and ready to tackle the next stage of their journey.

Thank you for your continued support. Together, we can ensure that Year 11 finish their time at Bacon's College with pride and success.

Wishing you all a joyful Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Warm regards,

Mr Tubb

Head of Year 11

Academic Excellence and Homework

A Balance of Rest and Revision

While we hope all students take the Christmas holiday as an opportunity to rest and recharge, we also expect them to maintain momentum by completing set homework and engaging in revision. This is essential to ensure the fantastic progress made this term continues into the new year.

Our recent mock exams have shown just how much effort pays off:

- Over 78% of Year 11 students improved by at least one grade compared to their previous assessments.
- Nearly 40% achieved two or more grades higher in core subjects.
- Attendance during intervention sessions was above **92**%, which strongly correlates with these improvements.

These figures demonstrate that consistent revision and preparation make a real difference. By using the holiday wisely—balancing rest with structured study—students will enter January ready to build on this success and tackle the final stretch towards GCSE exams with confidence.

Shout Out

Wanted to give a quick shout out to Kasra, he has been showing up to his lessons all week with an attitude and willingness to do the work and his work has been showing positive results.

To Arabella, for always working hard, is always kind, punctual and polite, to Andy for always asking inciteful questions in Biology and showing a real curiosity for the subject

To Cavalli for putting in effort to complete his booklet and growing to be a more considerate individual and improving his commitment to his attitude to learning, to Zephaniah for focusing in lesson and consistently completing is booklet homework" -

Seb O and Anna L both showed real commitment to history revision and have improved their performance in these PPEs from the end of Year 10." Ms Newton

"Shout out to Aaron D. For exceptional contributions in lesson.

"Felicity M for producing an excellent 6 mark answer in her C7 mid unit assessment

Henry M - for his excellent contributions in lessons, showing the ability to link previous learning to new content in the lesson. "Dr Patel

"To Javanni, Lavell, Abass and Callum for improved focus, attitude and commitment to learning in Core maths.

To Leunit, Crystal, Malak, Talia for 100% on their fluency test on functions and iteration. "Ms Parry

"Javanni B for continued and sustained focus and effort - a real change to his effort

Kane W - for sustained development in PPEs

Madison H - for sustained development in PPEs"Ms Colquhoun

"To Sonny H who works consistently hard in every English intervention, no matter how many we throw him into. To Sophia L, Nimot O and Lily Martin for staying curious about English literature." Ms Small

Year Group attendance 95.2% Tutor group attendance N - 89.8% I- 96.2% C - 94.2% O - 95.4% L- 95% A - 96.6% S- 96.7%



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Mission Statement: Bacon's College ensures that every student is well educated, cared for and exhorted to achieve the academic and personal excellence that willlead to university or skilled work and to a fulfilled life

Every minute, Every lesson, Every day.

"Your future is created by what you do today, not tomorrow."

Forthcoming events

- PPE's (3rd-12th November 2025)
- Year 11 information evening (25th September 2025)
- Term 1
- Parents evening (4th December 2025)

Term 2

- Mid Year Assessments (8th-13th January 2026)
- PPE's (23rd Feb 6th March 2026)
- Parents evening (26th March 2026)

Term 3

- Start of GCSE exams
- Some will have exams/assessments from the 14th April