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Year 10 Newsletter

Week 27 - 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 reach the end of this half term, I want to congratulate all Year 10 students on their fantastic effort and commitment over the past few weeks. They have shown great focus and determination, and it's been wonderful to see their progress across all subjects.

As we move forward, it's important to share that we now view Year 10 as effectively Year 11—their final year of secondary school. The work students do from this point on will have a direct impact on their GCSE results next summer. Because of this, homework, effort, attendance, and attitude are as important now as ever.

To support students, they have created personalised revision timetables to guide their study over the half-term break. These are designed to help them prepare thoroughly for their upcoming End of Year Assessments, which take place when they return from the holiday. We strongly encourage students to stick to these plans, balancing revision with adequate rest to stay focused and motivated.

We appreciate your continued support in helping your child understand the importance of this critical stage in their education. Together, we can ensure they achieve the best possible outcomes.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable break.

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

Celebrating Our Year 10 Stars

We are incredibly proud of the hard work and dedication demonstrated by all students this term. A special mention goes to those who have stood out for their outstanding achievements:

- **Most Improved Student:** Christine M
- **Pride of Bacons:** Cameron W
- **Most Positive Points:** Sophie C
- **Overall Points Leader:** Andy S
- **SPARX Reader Champion:** Kayla X
- **Community Achievement:** Arabella H for her fantastic work within the community—she even had the honour of meeting HRH Duchess of Edinburgh!

Additionally, we want to celebrate some remarkable contributions within the **Volleyball** extracurricular sessions:

- **Coach-in-Training:** Teddy H
Took initiative in leading drills and acted as an assistant coach for KS3 students, providing thoughtful and constructive feedback.
- **Tactical Leader:** Aidan N
Showed advanced understanding of game flow and consistently supported the setup and takedown of equipment, demonstrating excellent listening skills.
- **Most Supportive:** Sophie L and Kyle E
Both stood out for their encouragement and positive reinforcement during sessions and mixed extra-curricular games.
- **Most Engaged Student:** Fatima C
Attended every session with dedication, focusing on mastering a particular skill. She showed perseverance by repeating drills until achieving excellence.

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.

AOB

Year 10's will be taking their EOY assessments when we return from half term. Please see the timetable that has been sent out.

Work experience is fast approaching so a big well done for all those that have been able to find a placement. We are excited for the opportunities and experience this will bring.

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

- Year 10 Exams – Monday 2nd June – Monday 16th June
- Year 10 Work Experience – Monday 14th-Thursday 17th July