



Bacon's College
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Part of United Learning

Year 8 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

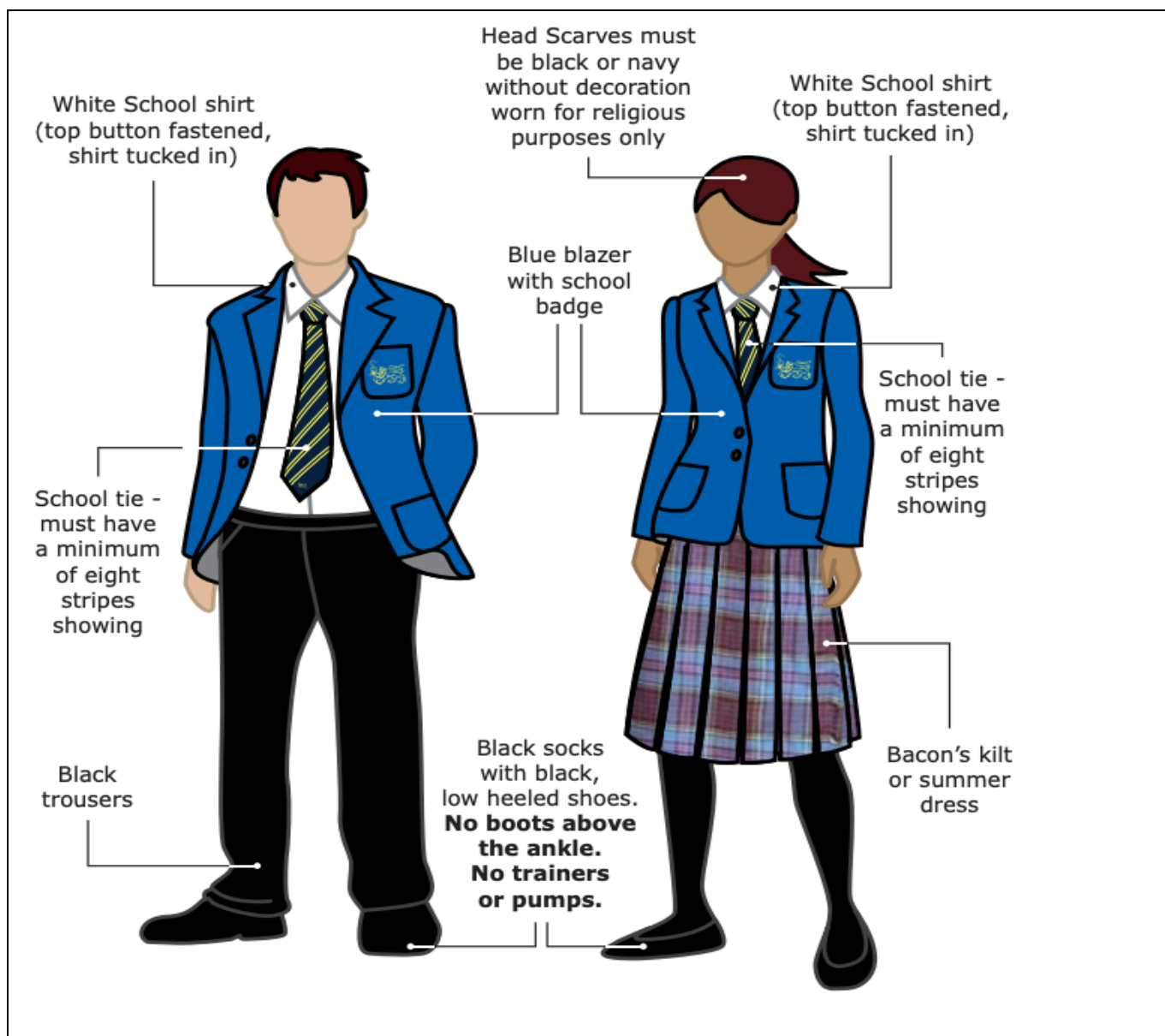
A week in the life of Year 8

Dear parents/guardians,

I hope you are all well.

Year 8s have had a strong start to the year and many of their teachers have positive things to say about their new classes and how well they have settled in to the new academic year.

A reminder of the uniform expectations and equipment required as we start the new academic year.



Are you **lesson ready**?

☐ Planner



☐ Pencil case



☐ Reading book



☐ Black pen



☐ Blue pen



☐ Green pen



☐ 2 sharp pencils



☐ Rubber



☐ Ruler



☐ Sharpener



☐ Glue



☐ Calculator



☐ Maths set



☐ Highlighters



Following on from last year we have a wide range of extra-curricular clubs on offer on Wednesday afternoons. Please see the poster below.

WEDNESDAY P7 ENRICHMENT OFFER

Autumn 2026

Axiom Maths Circle Year 7 MF11 / Mr Mathan	Coding Club All Years MU1 / Mr Brown	Darts Club Years 9-13 Mellish / Mr Jackson	Art Club All Years EF14 / Ms Oke & Ms Diver	Football KS3 3G Pitch / PE Team & Mr Dryden
Axiom Maths Circle Year 8 MF07 / Mr Jalal	Film Club KS3 MS1 / Mr Ejueyitchie	Debate Club All Years EF05 / Ms Osborne	Astronomy Club All Years SF16 / Ms Koroma & Ms Solanke	Volleyball All Years Main Hall / Coach Karina
Maths Count On Us KS3 CF01 / Mr Arnold	History Club KS3 EG18 / Ms Newton, Ms Fisher & Ms Scotting	Book Club KS3 Library / Ms Navarro & Mr Rothkell	Dance Club All Years Dance Studio / Ms Redfern	Basketball All Years Sports Hall / Mr Darbin, Mr Sagoe & Mr El-Baghdadi
	French and Spanish Cultural Club All Years MG06 / Ms O'Leary & Ms Hunter	The Composer's Lab All Years MU2 / Ms Alexander & Ms Savicka	Smoke Alarm Testers (Cooking Club) Year 9-10 MG12 / Ms Fraser	Netball All Years Single Court / Ms Rayner & Ms Galvin

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you would like our support or assistance.

Kind regards,

Miss O'Leary

Deputy Head of Year 8

Academic Excellence and Homework

Shoutout to 8C and 8S for 100% completion of Sparx Maths!

Top scores on Seneca:

Metehan A – 100%

Adnan L – 100%

Amelie M- 99%

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

Shout Outs

Students who have stood out to a teacher either from their classwork or behaviour:

Naiara C has been great. She's really focused in lesson and makes insightful contributions. – Ms Scotting

Leonardo Q has been really focused in lessons and is doing great independent work. – Ms Scotting

Any-Maria D - great engagement learning about the Tudors – Ms Newman

Leyla A - fantastic subject knowledge of, and questions about, the Tudors.- Ms Newman

Teigen K - excellent behaviour and written work in history – Ms Newman

Ebiuwairo for excellent responses in my Religious Studies lesson. She is always keen and eager to share her ideas, even when she may be unsure. – Ms Khoshnaw

Jessica M for being kind and helpful, whether it be with handing out books or do nows when I may be struggling alone during period 4! - Ms Khoshnaw

Vinny CW, Freddie Ho, Freddie Ha and Ada B for a very strong and enthusiastic start to Y8 Spanish. – Ms Hunter

Tenshi, Ariella, and Eboni have made fantastic starts to Year 8 English with insightful thoughts on Othello and brilliant conversations started from their input. – Mr McGarry

Great effort from **Jeidi, Neriah** and **Aiden**. They are consistently on task, working hard and trying their best. Keep it up! – Mr Rothkell

Shadea S, absolutely fantastic start to Maths with a wonderfully presented book and a great attitude to learning. – Mr Arnold

Olu O, he has continued to do as well as he had done last year (from Ms Burgess' opinion!) and will excel in Maths as the year continues. – Mr Arnold

Elijah M - Excellent focus in lessons and is a stark contrast to when I had him last year, been an absolute pleasure to teach. – Mr Arnold

Kali A - Has made a very strong first impression in Maths and has shown some incredible attitude to learning by actively participating and taking corrections instantly onboard. – Mr Arnold

Amelie M - Excellent work, behaviour and attitude – Ms Emuan

Amari A Best improve student in the class moving from Y7 to Y8, when it comes to behaviour, attitude and homework.- Ms Emuan

Isaac O – for providing detailed analysis and interesting ideas throughout the lesson. – Mr Rothkell

Abdul I in 8 Metropolitan had a fantastic English lesson today. His focus was great. – Ms Sheppard

Ada B for consistent focus and excellent contributions in her English lessons. – Ms Sheppard

Shoutout to **8 - Central, Jubilee and 8I**. It's been a wonderful start to the year so far and I can't wait to see out the rest of it with them! – Mr Arnold

Shoutout to the boy's football team for winning their first match of the year!

Attendance



The graphic above highlights some key statistics linked to attendance.

We know that students who are in school perform better and learn more.

Please support us as we aim for the best possible attendance for every single student at Bacon's College.

Year 8 –94.9%

N – 96.3%

I – 93.1%

C – 96.4%

O – 95.8%

L – 94.4%

A – 92.6%

S – 95.9%

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 7 Charter are set out below. Year 8 and 9's Charter has also been made available so that students can see the opportunities available to them as they go through Key Stage 3.