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Year 10 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 10

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you and your families are well.

It has been a great start to our second half-term of this academic year. Out attendance has improved greatly with students present and engaged in all lessons. Your commitment to getting students into school—on time and ready to learn—has made a real difference and raised the whole school attendance. We are incredibly grateful for your continued support in ensuring excellent attendance throughout last academic year.

Homework is consistently good, with majority of the year group completing work on time and to a high level. Homework is a key factor into having them practicing work using recall from their long-term memory; a key skill for exams. Your continued support will give them a great advantage ready for year 11 and taking their GCSE's.

Next week is Anti-Bullying week so Friday is odd socks day. We are always excited to see what Whacky socks the students have.

Outside of lessons, it's been a fab week with the boys football team winning 5-3 in a local cup, representing the school and the year group in a great light.

We had our remembrance day service on Tuesday morning. To which the year 10 were a great example to the lower year groups, being calm and respectful.



With the approach of exam coming up before and after Christmas break, I want to wish all students good luck, push to do your best, but also remind them that the quicker they embed good revision strategies, the easier it will be in a year and half time from now.

Revision

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Is your revision FLAT?



FOCUSED

Put your phone away
Turn the music off
Avoid distractions
Be in the right physical place to revise
Be in the right frame of mind to revise



LONG-TERM

Start early to cut down on stress later in the year
Make a revision timetable and commit to it
Plan for 90 minutes to 2 hours study
Interleave different topics



ACTIVE

Engage your brain by actively creating revision resources
Test yourself, get others to test you
Practise exam technique by writing or planning answers
Revise what you struggle with

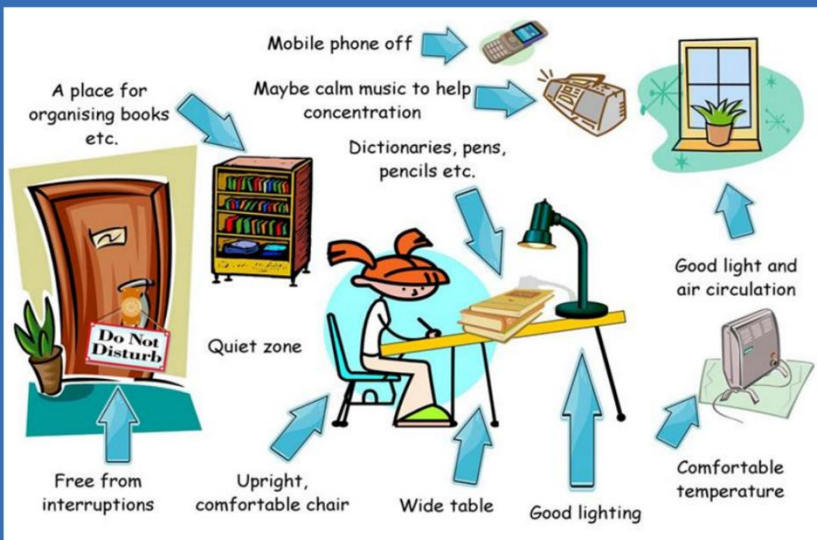


TRANSFORMED

Transform the knowledge you want to learn into a different format
Make flashcards
Produce a timeline
Record a podcast
Invent a mnemonic
Create a mindmap
Design a flowchart
Make a powerpoint
Teach it

Environment is key

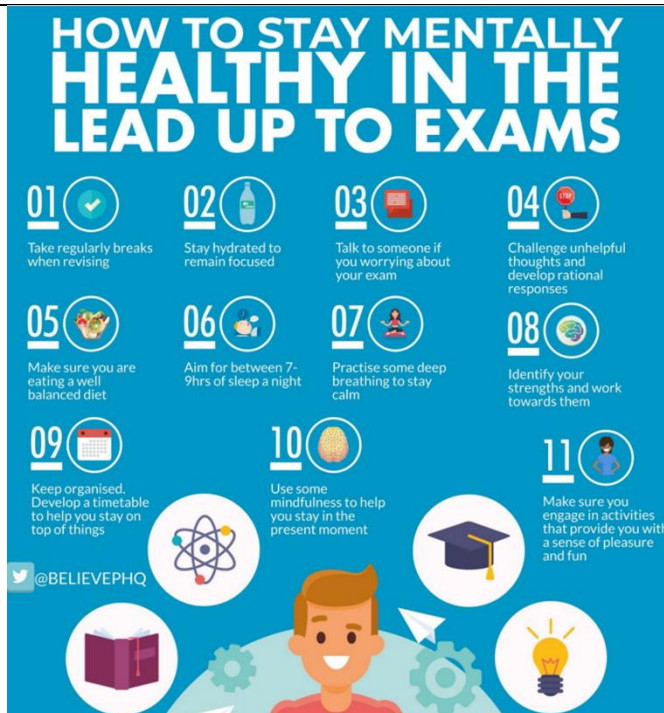
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Not got a quiet space at home?

- Library at school
- Canada water library
- Local café
- Speak to me

We know there are stresses that come with GCSE, so making sure there is a good balance of revision, school, and free time keeps students healthy.



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

All the best,

Ms Lyons

Shout outs

Bobby – Always putting in Excelling effort into his Mathematics Classes – **Mr Jackson**

Elif & Grace H – Consistent excellent effort – **Mr Jalal**

Sami for his improved attitude to learning and enthusiasm in lesson. - **Ms Majeed**

Tiarra for always working hard, being the best version of herself, and consistently achieving in lessons. – **Mr Ejueyitchie**

Jessica M for great enthusiasm and contribution in Spanish. Jessica always tries hard and does what is expected. – **Ms Hunter**

Nicholas T for developing a deep and academic writing flair – **Ms Colquhoun**

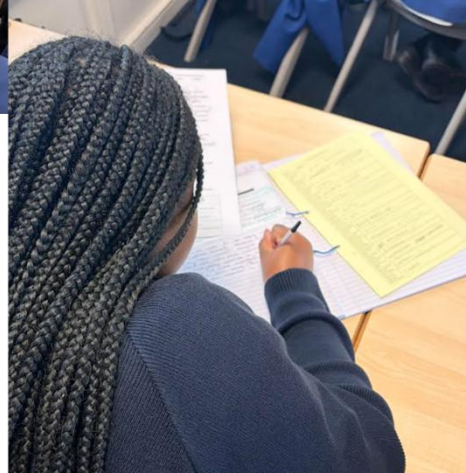
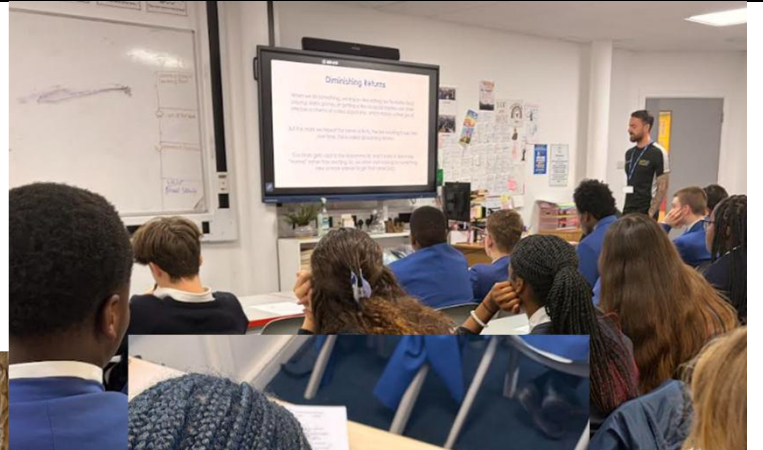
Jack - fantastic source utility question – **Ms Newton**

Gbemi - for excellent progress in Maths. Getting 100% in the last KPI assessment – **Ms Younge**

Charlie for great independent work using a microscope in biology today. – **Ms Roy**

Ivey for consistently showing great focus and behaviour in biology lessons. - **Ms Roy**

Lilly H – Great focus and behaviour at all times in lesson – **Mr Mathan**



Homework

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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



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 Group attendance this week

Year Group attendance

94.8%

Tutor group

N – 84.4%

I- 95.4%
C – 94.4%
O – 96%
L- 97.5%
A – 97.9%
S- 94%

WELL DONE



for having the best attendance as a tutor group this week!

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 9 Charter are set out below.



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Uniform and appearance

We are proud of our distinctive uniform and Bacon's College students take pride in their appearance. A high standard of personal appearance is always expected of all students, this includes travelling to and from school. Anyone arriving at school in non-uniform clothing will be sent home to get changed. Details of our uniform policy can be found here: <https://www.baconcollege.co.uk/parents/uniform-personal-presentation>

A particular reminder that unnatural hair colours, fake eye lashes, nail extensions, jewellery (other than a single small stud in the ear lobe) and hair beads other than navy blue, black or transparent, are not permitted.

Forthcoming events

- Student Survey 18th November to December
- Monday 15th -Thursday 19th Y10 assessments – your first set of GCSE exams - only 22 school days away
- Mid-year assessments – 8th -13th January
- Parents evening – 22nd January
- Parents evening – 9th July