

Year 9 Newsletter

Week 26 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 KS3

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are well. It has been an exciting first two weeks of summer term for year 9. On Monday, Pastor Kenney and Ms Newton (Head of History) presented a special assembly to commemorate VE Day (Victory in Europe Day), marking the end of World War II in Europe. During Year 9 history lesson this week, students will learn more by taking part in a oral history project of looking at diaries and interviews of first-hand experiences of VE day. They will use this to analyse the significance of VE day and explain why we still celebrate it 80 years on.

We also marked the occasion on Thursday with a short service during breaktime to commemorate the day. It was great to see all students be respectful and proud of their country.

During IST, our students attended an important assembly focused on drugs and vaping awareness and prevention as part of their PSHE programme. The presentation, led by the experts at *Change Grow Live* provided students with information about the health risks associated with vaping and using drugs, the impact of nicotine on developing brains, and strategies for resisting peer pressure. The goal of the assembly was to empower students with knowledge and encourage healthy, informed choices. We encourage parents to continue the conversation at home and remind children that their health and well-being are our top priorities.

This term, during lessons students will beginning to revise key content for their assessment beginning Tuesday 10th June. Topics will be posted on the website and satchel one. These assessments will give both the student and teachers a picture of how they well they will achieve at GCSE. Curriculum leads will be looking at these results to ensure students are in the right set in year 10. If you, or your child have any questions regarding the exams please do not hesitate to contact their teachers.

As ever, thank you for your ongoing support,

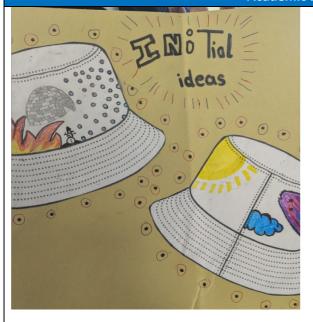
Ms Dickinson (nee Ley)

Head of Year 9

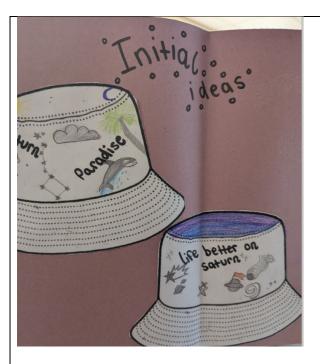
End of Year exam timetable

	Monday 12 June	Tuesday 13 June	Wednesday 14 June	Thursday 15 June	Friday 16 June
				Design trip Grad fashion week - Ys 9 & 10	
	8.25am	8.25am	8.25am	8.25am	8.25am
yr 7	English R then W	Maths 1	Maths 2	MFL Listening then Reading	
Yr 8	English R then W	Maths 1	Maths 2	MFL listening then Reading	
Yr 9	English R then W	Maths 1	Maths 2	MFL listening then Reading	
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	10.55am	10.55am	10.55am	10.55am	10.55am
yr 7	Geog	History	PE	MFL Writing	
Yr 8	Geog	History	PE	MFL Writing	
Yr 9	Geog	History	PE	MFL writing	
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	1.10pm	1.10pm	1.10pm	1.10pm	1.10pm
yr 7	Science 1 - Biology	RS	Science 2 - Chem and Physics	Latin/Careers activity	
Yr 8	Science 1 - Biology	RS	Science 2 - Chem and Physics	Latin/Poetry activity/Careers activity	
Yr 9	Science 1 - Biology	RS	Science 2 - Chem and Physics	Careers activty	

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.

Homework timetable for KS3:

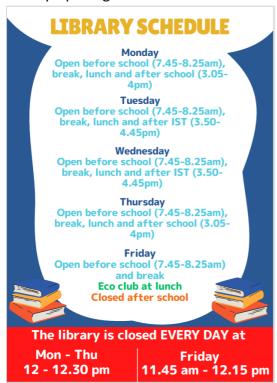
Day that homework is set and due	Subject and the learning platform you will use	The approximate time the homework should take you	
Monday	English – Seneca/Homework booklet**	60 minutes	
	Sparx Reader	20 minutes	
Tuesday	RE - Seneca	30 minutes	
	History – Seneca**	30 minutes	
Wednesday	Maths – Sparx Maths	60 minutes	
Thursday	Science – Sparx Science	60 minutes	
Friday	MFL – Active Learn/Languagenut/Seneca/Fluency booklet**	30-60 minutes (+ 10 minute daily vocab revision)	
		30 minutes	

Geography – Seneca/Knowledge Organiser

Technology - You will also receive one piece of Technology homework set on the day of your lesson which will be due for the next lesson.

**In addition to following this homework timetable, some of your other subjects will set additional homework. Please check SMHW for more details.

* Library Opening Times



Homework champions

Sparx Maths for Year 9 - 95% complete which is up 3%

Sparx reader

Asare N9C 2747 SRP (two week streak!)

Thomas B-M 9A 1950 SRP

Thai L 9N 1564 SRP

Seneca – (RS, History, Geography)

Top students by study time

Manny R

Elif B

Asare N

Top students by average score

Isaiah I

Emma Y

Gbemi A

Shout Out

- Idris C for his massive improvement in the weekly terminology quizzes Ms Qi
- Ellie S for her going above and beyond in her homework Ms Qi
- Sara K, Grace H, Carly E for being more engaged in lessons and growing more confident in speaking up Ms
 Qi
- Freddie D and Mostafa who are both consistently curious in history lessons. Really lovely to hear the boys wanting to know and understand more about the past and share information that they have learnt outside of class. High levels of maturity which are to be commended Ms Kristiansen
- Maisie R-F For completing her Sparx Science and for her excellent responses during a MWB task in lesson which she was then asked to share with the whole class. Ms Coles Williams
- Y9 History class. Spent time revising before the timed assessment -Ms Materia
- Eve B M Excellent attitude towards leaning Ms Materia
- Peter, Jessica, Gbemi, Anas, Dominic, Junior You all included LOTS of evidence & shows you REVISED & completed your HOMEWORK Ms Mataria
- 9X-HI3 for their inquisitiveness and maturity when studying the Holocaust Ms Kristiansen
- Eri O for always trying her hardest Ms Colquhoun
- Kelvin and Danial D-A for always doing the right thing and being helpful to staff Ms Lyons
- Finley W improved attitude to learning Ms Dickinson
- Ruth-A E for continued great work in sewing club! -Mr McGarry
- 9-XY-Ma3 for consistent high-quality classwork, in particular Bianka Un, Leah M, Olivia E, Nicole O, Janice C, Robert B, Phoenix D, Isaiah I, Adam M and Adam B. Mr Jalal
- Maddix, Neveah, Ruth Highest scorers in HT4 KPI test Ms Parry
- 9Y Spanish for their progress and enthusiasm in Spanish (special shout out to Jayan) Ms Hunter
- Mohamed U- for trying to push his knowledge of programming to the limit Mr Sagoe
- Lilly H- for being creative with her knowledge of programming Mr Sagoe
- Deshane C-R for your improved attendance Ms Dickinson
- Phoenix & Demilade great performance in a basketball fixture where they helped the team win 32 to 31 –
 Ms Lyons

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 year

93%

Tutor group attendance

N - 83.6

<u>I - 92.0</u>

<u>C - 95.3</u>

O - 93.9

<u>L - 92.7</u>

<u>A – 94.9</u>

<u>S - 94.3</u>

WELL DONE



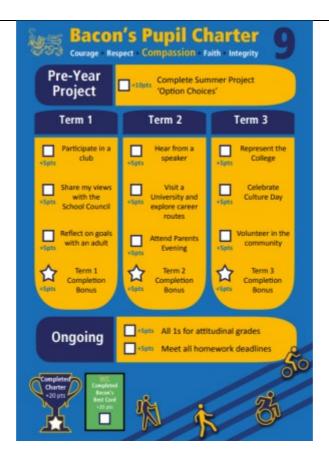
for having the best attendance as a tutor group so far this year!

Students with 100% attendance this week!

N	1	С	0	L	А	S
Kye	Rhys	Kevin	Elaine	Jonathan	Tiarra	Demilade
Bobby	Robert-Caleb	Daniel	Imani	Noortje	Gbemi	Eliza
Arthi	Sonny	Dania	Elisabeth	Jaden	Sami	Armani
Freddie	Emelia	Rhys	Beverley	Khalil	Maddix	Daniella
Carly	Cornelius	Idris	Elif	Adam	Thomas	Adam
Jude	Joash	Daniel Jesse	Ka-Wayne	Ryan	Jasmine	Shadrach
Charlotte	Rahmatulai	Perez	Phoenix	Joshua	Billy	Aatikah
Thai	Donisha	Olivia	Maisie	Olivia	Wilson	Oluwakayikunmi
Aaliyah	Nathan	Wafaa	Ellie	Alfie	Dominic	Grace
Nevaeh Adekunle	Mekai	Lavaun	Jamie	Lilly	Andi	Vi
Reggie	Leah	Isaiah	Christina	Chrystiano	Grace	Mahdi
Jayden	Abdul-Jamal	Lillie	Sophie	Jayda	Archie	Sylvanus
	Tyreece	Maniche	Jaime	Kaitlin	Christopher	Malika
	Hannah Sofia	Isabella	Mattia	Nuraiyah	Sara	Jessica
	Nakai	Mohamed	Olly	Taeja-Nyelle	Samuel-James	Minh
	Cherise	Asare	Jeriah	Sarah	Janice	Abigail
	Nicole	Tobiloba	Aaliyah	David	Ela	Jack
	Olivia-Rose	Frankie	Melo	Benjamin	Joshua	Maisie
	Dareck	David-Andrei	Peter	Oliver	Dmitriy	Andrew
	Manny	Ernie	Henry	Machi	Nicholas	Ashanti
		Seyi	Lilly	Ellie	Ishmael	Mohamed
		Elsa	Bianka	Joshua	Tilly-Rose	Aidan
		Oliver	Freddie	Courtney		Sian
		Anas		Emma		
		Laura-Rosa		Elif Ipek		

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.



Uniform

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.baconscollege.co.uk/parents/uniform-personal-

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. Any student breaching these rules will be sent home to rectify the problem.