



Bacon's College
The best in everyone™
Part of United Learning

Year 9 Newsletter

Week 30 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 9

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you and your families are well.

Last week, Year 9 were able to show off their hard work from this year in the End of Year exams. They all tried their best and should be proud of their efforts. It was great to see such a great focus on academic excellence.

Students are back in lessons this week beginning content to support them going into Ks4 in September. It is important Year 9 continue the high standard of learning to give them the best start to Y10.

Last Friday, 56 Year 9s took a trip to Belgium with the History department. They visited Passchendaele museum where students got to experience a reconstruction of a WW1 trench. This was followed by a visit to the Germany memorial cemetery Langemark and the commonwealth graveyard Tyne Cote. Students heard from Ms Newton and Mr Wilson who acted as tour guides. Despite the long day, and turbulent weather on the way home, students engaged well with lots of questions and handled changes to their schedule maturely!

I am sure that students are excited for the upcoming weeks of enrichment and events – make sure to check the dates section below.

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

All the best

Ms Dickinson (nee Ley)







Shout outs

- **Vi H and Malika L C** for making a great start to Python Programming – **Mr Sagoe**
- **Joshua, Idris, Elaine and Ishmael** were absolutely brilliant in today's English lesson, offering some really interesting insights and ideas for a new and relatively difficult piece of text – **Ms Qi**
- **AbdulJamal** was fantastic in today's long jump lesson. Not only was he performing amazing jumps using flawless technique but he was also coaching other students and helping them achieve personal bests! Top work Jamal! – **Mr O'Sullivan**
- **Elif B** - for producing outstanding work during a Science cover period, including detailed notes, independent practice, and high quality self assessment – **Dr Patel**
- **Andi, Mattia, Olly, Isabella, Noortje, Jack, Melo, Sian and Elisabeth** – for your engagement on the History trip to Belgium – **Ms Newton**
- **Elaine, Aatikah, Beverley, Nuraiyah** – great work on the history trip, great behaviour and engagement

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.

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		
Thursday	Science – Sparx Science	60 minutes
	Maths – Sparx Maths	60 minutes
Friday	MFL – Active Learn/Languagenut/Seneca/Fluency booklet**	30-60 minutes (+ 10 minute daily vocab revision)
	Geography – Seneca/Knowledge Organiser	30 minutes

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

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
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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

94.9% Last week was amazing for attendance

Tutor group attendance

N – 80.0

I – 98.0

C – 97.3

O – 94.8

L – 93.6

A – 99.6!

S – 95.4

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.



AOB

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. Any student breaching these rules will be sent home on the first day of term to rectify the problem.

Forthcoming events

- Culture day 27/06
- Founders' day 04/07
- Sports day 11/07
- Rewards trip 14/07
- Enrichment week 15/07 to 17/07
- End of academic year 18/07