

# **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 10

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been another fantastic week for Year 8! A big well done to Ihsana for her creative Harry Potter bookmark design — a wonderful example of the imagination and effort being shown in our whole school reading project recently. This newsletter also features some impressive artwork by Elliott and Mara, who have been preparing for their upcoming clay lesson inspired by the vibrant "Day of the Dead" theme.

On the sports front, congratulations to our rugby teams for their excellent performances this week,



Best wishes,

Ms G Galvin

winning two out of three fixtures — a brilliant effort from all involved! As always, we're continuing to make a big push on attendance and homework. Every lesson counts, and we're so proud of those students showing real commitment to their learning.

My email address is <a href="mailto:g.galvin@baconscollege.co.uk">g.galvin@baconscollege.co.uk</a> and my school ext. 4083.Here's to a successful and rewarding week ahead!

## **Academic Excellence and Homework**

# Art:

Ready for their clay model- Elliott pictured below working on his skull and shading technique.



Mara also showing excellent work in her skull design



#### Homework

Homework is key to ensuring your child is revising regularly and stretching their learning further. Please continue to support in this being completed any issues let me know! All students are issued with a Chromebook. If for any reason they have been lost or damaged please contact <a href="mailto:a.quinn@baconscollege.co.uk">a.quinn@baconscollege.co.uk</a>.

#### Homework Club

Homework Club is available to all students during the Library's opening hours including before school, break and lunchtime. 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**

#### Lots of shoutouts this week:

#### English:

For outstanding writing in mid-modules:

Elijah T, Ruby A, Evelyn A, Elsie W, Darya R and Thea P for great analytical skills and links to context!- Ms Colquhoun

Anton M, Adam I, Neveah K, Axel R, Amirat A, and Sebastian V for their brilliant contributions across our English lessons. Fantastic behaviour always doing the right thing and continuously looking to share their ideas.

#### Maths:

Nathaniel P - excellent work in Maths and wonderful attitude to learning. Mr Arnold

#### **Religious Studies:**

Muhammad for excellent knowledge retention and contribution in lesson.- A Ahazie

#### English:

Danyah Samy for excellent classwork and concentration in English lessons. Jae T, Sebastian G and Tony P for their contribution in English lessons. Ms Qi

Well done to those nominated- Looking forward to more over the next week!

#### **Attendance**

We are incredibly grateful for your continued support in ensuring excellent attendance throughout last academic year. Your commitment to getting students into school—on time and ready to learn—has made a real difference and raised the whole school attendance.

At Bacon's College, we believe that "Every Minute, Every Lesson, Every Day" truly matters. Every moment in the classroom is an opportunity to grow, to learn, and to move one step closer to success.

As we look ahead to the start of a new year we want to continue this message. Consistent attendance will be key to building on the progress made so far and ensuring that every student is fully prepared for the challenges and opportunities of Year 8.

#### **AOB**

Please can we ask that you have a look through the cupboards and join us in gathering items for the harvest festival. All tutor groups have boxes and it would be amazing to fill these up!

We highly encourage you to download the Arbor app, which provides a fantastic way to stay informed about your



child's progress. With the app, you can easily track both positive points and any negative referrals in real time. It's a great tool for keeping the lines of communication open and having meaningful conversations at home about your child's achievements and areas for improvement.

Please refer to the school's website here for information on downloading: <u>Arbor Parent Portal and Appallows you to view attendance statistics, behaviour points and notifications from school.</u>

## **Forthcoming events**

Harvest Festival

- Half term dates Monday 27<sup>th</sup> Friday 31st October
  - Year 11 PPE Monday 3rd November onwards