

# Year 9 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

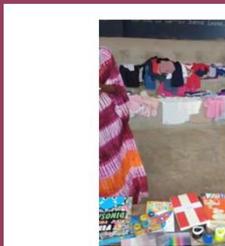
## A week in the life of Year 9

Dear Parents and Carers,

I'm glad to say that students have begun the term leading up to Easter with a real sense of purpose and momentum. It has been uplifting to see Year 9 return with such positivity, energy and so many of you at GCSE options evening last week.

As a Christian school, this season reminds us of the powerful message of Easter — a time of hope, renewal and new beginnings. At the same time, we extend our warmest wishes to those in our community who are observing Ramadan — a period marked by reflection, discipline, generosity and faith.

Here at Bacon's College, our diversity is one of our greatest strengths, and moments like these remind us of the shared values that unite us. I would also like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank our parents and staff for their kindness and generosity last year in donating gifts and resources for children in Sierra Leone. Your contributions made a meaningful difference and were received with immense gratitude.



Mohammed – Adonkia School



This year, we hope to continue that spirit of compassion by supporting a young boy named Mohammed, who is in urgent need of a new wheelchair. A small contribution can make a powerful impact — if each student were able to donate just £1, it would go a long way towards helping Mohammed gain the mobility and independence he deserves.

Following the mid-year assessments, students have returned to their learning with impressive focus and maturity. Classrooms have been alive with purposeful activity, and it has been a pleasure to see so many examples of pride in work, excellent effort and meaningful progress.



Bacon's College Year 9 girls delivered an outstanding performance as they travelled away to Morpeth, playing at East London Rugby Club, and secured an impressive 45–10 victory.

Facing a strong Morpeth side who were well-structured and moved the ball extremely well, the Bacon's team showed excellent aggression, teamwork, and determination from start to finish. Despite Morpeth having the advantage of experience—with every player involved in rugby outside of school compared to just one for Bacon's—the girls remained resilient and played with great confidence throughout the match.

Tries were scored by Erin, Sarah, Whitney, and Ehinomen, while Mimi led the scoring with an outstanding hat-trick, contributing 15 points to the team's total. The attacking play, combined with strong defensive effort, ensured Bacon's stayed in control and came away with a well-deserved win. Excellent work, girls.



It has also been wonderful to see the whole school community come together to celebrate World Book Day through our competition "Battle of the Books", where teachers passionately championed their favourite titles — mine being *Outliers* by Malcolm Gladwell.

The enthusiasm has been infectious and has already sparked great interest in new books across the school — a reminder of the power of reading to inspire, connect and open new worlds. The winning title will be revealed very soon.

Thank you to our pupils and staff for bringing such energy, creativity and positivity to the start of the term. We look forward with excitement to all that the weeks ahead will bring.

Best wishes,  
Mr Davies

### Academic Excellence and Homework

#### Year 9 Food Tech from Ms Fraser:

"The year 9's have done exceptionally well in their last food tech lesson. They all made a Swiss roll which turned out fantastically. This is quite a technical and time-consuming recipe and I was impressed at their focus and time management. Here are some particularly good outcomes. Some even better than mine! 😊 please congratulate them from me."



Tuesday IST is now finished and instead we now have a healthy introduction of a wide range of clubs to participate in.

Ranging from Darts, finance to medical minds and tennis. We hope to see more students taking this up as this also improves their points towards their charter.

## TUESDAY IST OFFER Spring 2026

The Finance Lab  
Years 9-13  
EG16 / Ms Kwafo

Darts Club  
Years 9-13  
Mellish / Mr Jackson

Legal Minds  
Years 10-13  
SF10 / Mr Wilson

MFL Culture & Film  
KS3  
MG08 / Ms O'Leary &  
Ms Hunter

Gym Club  
KS4  
Gym / Mr Leport

Medical Minds  
Years 10-13  
SF21 / Mr Wilson

Books and Manga Club  
All Years  
Library / Ms Agiri

Tennis Club  
Years 9 & 10  
Triple Courts / Mr Marzano

Maths Count On Us  
Years 7-9  
MF05 MF07 / Mr Jalal

Coding Club  
KS3  
MU2 / Mr Sagoe

Basketball Club  
All Years  
Sports Hall / Coach Blagrove

Textiles  
KS3  
EF14 / Ms Wilson

Film  
KS3  
MS1 / Mr Ejueyitchie

Volleyball  
KS3  
Main Hall / Ms Pansera

Science Club  
Year 7  
SF19 / Mr Cloak

Clay Club  
Years 9-12  
EG12 / Ms Diver

Football  
KS3  
3G Astro / Mr Tubb

Science Club  
Year 8  
SF15 / Ms Coles

DofE Award  
Years 10 & 12  
EG11 / Mr Bush

Street Dance  
Year 9  
Dance Studio / Ms Redfern

Science Club  
Year 9  
SG10 / Mr Nasim



## Bacon's Pupil Charter 9

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### Pre-Year Project

+10pts Complete Summer Project 'Option Choices'

### Term 1

+5pts Participate in a club

+5pts Share my views with the School Council

+5pts Reflect on goals with an adult

★ +5pts Term 1 Completion Bonus

### Term 2

+5pts Hear from a speaker

+5pts Visit a University and explore career routes

+5pts Attend Parents Evening

★ +5pts Term 2 Completion Bonus

### Term 3

+5pts Represent the College

+5pts Celebrate Culture Day

+5pts Volunteer in the community

★ +5pts Term 3 Completion Bonus

### Ongoing

+5pts All 1s for attitudinal grades

+5pts Meet all homework deadlines



## Shout Out

### Shoutouts From The Last Two Weeks!

**Yasmin S** - always on time always doing the right thing

**Jayden TM** - very focused and enthusiastic and kind

**Gerald A** - always does the challenge very hardworking and polite

**Abdul Y** - excellent questions and class contributions

**Blessing B** - working really hard and keeping excellent book

**Jonny C** - always willing to be challenged and extremely hardworking

**Jesse K** - attends science club and has wonderful contributions - very passionate about science.

**Teacher Name: Ms Salih**

**Subject: Science**

**Class: 9YZ-MU1 & 9YZ-MU2**

Very creative songwriting skills and strong practice discipline this term.

**Teacher Name: Ms Alexander**

**Subject: Music**

**Jasper S** - 9YEN1

Excellent transition into the class, always participating and engaging in every lesson.

Produces high quality work and reas MVds in an excellent Italian accent!!

**Teacher Name: Ms Majeed**

**Subject: English**

**Esme P, Mia W, Na'llah Y, Owen G and Jordan MV**, all tried really hard on their essays on dictators. All of **9Y4** who were in today worked really hard to improve their work and made good progress as a result.

**Teacher Name: Mrs Newton**

**Subject: History**

**Rosey S**

Working brilliantly in her new science class. Very impressed by her consistent focus and effort!

**Teacher Name: Ms Roy**

**Subject: Science**

**Aishat A**

Wonderful confidence and effort in her new science class.

It's great to see Aishat regularly volunteering answers and completing independent tasks.

**Teacher Name: Ms Roy**

**Subject: Science**

**Mariam D**

Much improved focus and confidence in her science lessons!

**Teacher Name: Ms Roy**

**Subject: Science**

**Sarah R**

Excellent End of module assessment.

Sarah is able to write a developed and purposeful argument comparing two poems with great detail and perceptive understanding.

**Teacher Name: Ms Majeed**

**Subject: English**

I've been marking some Year 9 work and I wanted to shout out a few students, who have produced some top-drawer GCSE level work already:

**Max H**

**Lile A**

**Oscar M**

**Mimi L**

**Teacher Name: Mr Wilson**

**Subject: Religious Studies**

**Aldo G**

Scored 100% on the MUA

**Teacher: Mr Nasim**

**Subject: Science**

**Top 70 Positive Points Tally**

Ehinomhen P	798
Sarah R	723
Mikayla F	713
Elene B	701
Talia RK	689
Tolu S	685
Yacob B	662
Sinai AC	630
Daniel M	623
Mimi L	614
Maya D	607
Al L	579
George K	576

Alex C	568
Marina M	565
Brad CY	551
Mahir B	546
Ezekiel B	540
Paria B	539
Raheemah T	533
Rylee C	530
Jayden TM	530
Amreen J	529
Shola A	528
Edisjana Z	500
Logan EP	495
Esme P	495
Alejandro PT	493
Natasha C	480
Cyrus CC	478
Jamal A	476
Yousif H	473
Sherif A	473
Aaron K	472
Amanda FB	471
Ayham N	471
Joey VF	462
Audrey V	461
George C	460
Nina B	454
Cree H	453
Jesse K	452
Savannah L	451
Sara T	450
Jasper S	443
Talea RS	441
Oscar K	438
James H	438
Yasmin S	435
Kevin M	434
India A	426
Rifte I	425
Zain C	425
Nancy J	425
Yunus K	423
Tiarna-Marie H	423
Olivia B	422
Thega A	415
Max D	415
Abdul Y	414
Vitoria PC	414
Maria GD	412
Louie O	411
Lauren C	410
Sophie R	409

Keith K	408
Ramari S	405
Alex I	402
Taliyah B	402
Jade N	400

## 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.

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 9 and beyond.

## AOB

### GCSE Options Submission Date – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March

## ENRICHMENT OFFER

### Spring 2026

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Gospel Choir 8.25 - 9.00 / MU1 All Years / Ms Chambers	Guitar Club Lunch Time / MU1 All Years / Mr Horn	Guitar Club Lunch Time / MU1 All Years / Ms Alexander	Music Theatre Club Lunch Time / Dance Studio KS3 / Ms Redfern	Samba Band 8.25 - 9.00 / MU1 Brass Students / Ms Alexander
Music Tech (Beatmaking) Lunch Time / MU2 All Years / Mr Johnson	Keyboard Club Lunch Time / MU1 All Years / Mr Summer	Book Club Lunch Time / CG03 Years 9, 10, 11 / Ms Majeed	Documentary Club Lunch Time / EF05 KS3 / Ms Qi & Ms Keir	Sewing Club Lunch Time / EG10 Years 7 & 8 / Mr McGarry
Bacon's Christian Club Lunch Time / Chapel All Years / Pastor Kenny	Bacon's Christian Club Lunch Time / Chapel All Years / Pastor Kenny	Geography Club Lunch Time / SG06 All Years / Ms Hickman		
Homework Club 3.05 - 3.50 / MS03 All Years / LD	Dance Performance Club 3.50 - 4.50 / Dance Studio Year 9 / Ms Redfern	Street & Hip-Hop Dance 3.50 - 4.50 / Dance Studio All Years / Ms Redfern	Science Club Lunch Time / SF15 Year 7 / Ms Coles	
SPARX Reader Club 3.05 - 4.00 / Library All Years / Ms Agiri			Drama Club 3.10 - 4.10 / Drama Studio KS3 / Mr Toller	
			SPARX Maths Club 3.00 - 4.15 / MG10 All Years / Ms Younge	

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# ENRICHMENT OFFER - PE

## Spring 2026

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Volleyball Lunch / Main Hall All Years / Coach Karina	Table Tennis 3.50 - 4.30 / Main Hall All Years / Mr Pyke & Mr Eselebor	Volleyball All Years / Coach Karina	Basketball Lunch Time / Sports Hall All Years / Coach Justin	Basketball 7.10 - 8.05 / Sports Hall All Years / Coach Justin
Basketball 3.05 - 4.15 / Sports Hall Years 7 & 8 / Coach Justin		Dance Team Year 9 / Main Hall	Dance Team Lunch Time / Dance Studio Years 7 & 8 / Ms Redfern	Volleyball (Invitational) Lunch Time / Main Hall All Years / Coach Karina
Rugby 3.05 - 4.15 All Years / Mr Leport		Basketball (Girls) 3.50 - 5.00 Coach Justin	Basketball 3.05 - 4.30 / Sports Hall Years 9, 10, 11 / Coach Justin	Basketball 2.30 - 3.30 / Sports Hall Scrimmage / Coach Justin
Football (Girls) 3.15 - 4.30 Year 7 / Mr Tubb & Mr Davies			Football (Boys) 3.05 - 4.30 / 3G Years 8, 9, 10 / Mr Leport	Badminton 2.45 - 4.15 / Gym All Years / Mr Sargeant
Football KS4			Volleyball 3.05 - 4.15 / 3G KS4 / Coach Karina	
			Street Dance 3.05 - 4.15 / Dance Studio All Years / Ms Redfern	



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