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# 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,

It has been a fantastic term for Year9, and I have been incredibly proud of the effort, resilience, and positive attitude students have shown both in lessons and during extracurricular activities.

Our Year 9 rugby teams have continued to achieve great success this year, showing excellent teamwork, commitment, and sportsmanship in matches and training. It has been brilliant to see so many students representing the school with confidence and enthusiasm while supporting one another on and off the field. Today, on the 7th May, 20 students are representing the school at an athletics competition in Croydon. We wish them all the very best and are extremely proud of the hard work and dedication they have shown leading up to the event.

As we approach the May half term and the end-of-year exam period, I would like to encourage all Year 9 students to continue working hard and staying focused. This is also an important time for our students as they begin thinking ahead towards Year 10 and the opportunities and responsibilities that come with it.
Thank you to all students for continuing to contribute positively to the Year 9 community. Keep up the excellent effort and enjoy a well-deserved half term when it arrives.

Best wishes,

Ms Miah

## Academic Excellence and Homework

**LYR Opportunity**

LYR's open club will be launching on Monday, where at Surrey Quays Watersport's and Fitness centre (near Canada Water or Surrey Quays station) from 4:30-6:00 young people can try out a range of rowing and paddle sports free of charge. This is part of LYR's broader commitment to develop life skills in young people in Southwark, and a great pathway for students to progress to a higher standard of sport.

All a student has to do is sign up for a session using our free Eventbrite link: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/surrey-quays-lyr-open-club-tickets-1988918469683?aff=oddtdtcreator

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.

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## Spring 2026

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| The Finance Lab<br>Years 9-13<br>EG16 / Ms Kwafo | Darts Club<br>Years 9-13<br>Mellish / Mr Jackson | Legal Minds<br>Years 10-13<br>SF10 / Mr Wilson |
| MFL Culture & Film<br>KS3<br>MG08 / Ms O'Leary & Ms Hunter | Gym Club<br>KS4<br>Gym / Mr Leport | Medical Minds<br>Years 10-13<br>SF21 / Mr Wilson |
| Books and Manga Club<br>All Years<br>Library / Ms Agiri | Tennis Club<br>Years 9 & 10<br>Triple Courts / Mr Marzano | Maths Count On Us<br>Years 7-9<br>MF05 MF07 / Mr Jalal |
| Coding Club<br>KS3<br>MU2 / Mr Sagoe | Basketball Club<br>All Years<br>Sports Hall /Coach Blagrove | Textiles<br>KS3<br>EF14 / Ms Wilson |
| Film<br>KS3<br>MS1 / Mr Ejueyitchie | Volleyball<br>KS3<br>Main Hall / Ms Pansera | Science Club<br>Year 7<br>SF19 / Mr Cloak |
| Clay Club<br>Years 9-12<br>EG12 / Ms Diver | Football<br>KS3<br>3G Astro / Mr Tubb | Science Club<br>Year 8<br>SF15 / Ms Coles |
| DofE Award<br>Years 10 & 12<br>EG11 / Mr Bush | Street Dance<br>Year 9<br>Dance Studio / Ms Redfern | Science Club<br>Year 9<br>SG10 / Mr Nasim |

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## Shout Outs

"Aldo - such great comments about WW1 and the Industrial Revolution. He's so engaged in his learning and is a pleasure to have in the classroom.

Darcy and Michael who tidied up my classroom when it was unexpectedly used for IST for their form last week." Ms Newton, History

"My shout out goes to James - who has proven that effort matters. Consistent contributions in class and always completes his homework, shows incredible determination. Keep pushing forward—you're building strong habits that will take you far." Ms Ahazie, RS

"I would like to say well done to Raheemah for her excellent End oof Module exam.

I would also like to give a shout out to my year 9 girls who attend book club each week with great enthusiasm. They are, Raheemah, Ehinohmen, Edisjana, Paria, Aliyah, Mikayla, Elene, Sara, Sarah, Aya and Talea." Ms Majeed, English

George – "great improvement with homework with 100% completion rate in year 9" - Miss Lyons, Maths

"Rosey for resilience in English and Aldo for trying really hard"- Ms Colquhoun, English

“Jewel - Always focused and hard working. Putting 100% effort into every lesson.” Ms Younge, Maths

“I would like to shoutout Rosey, Enoch and Blessing. Rosey deserves a shoutout for improving her effort in lessons. She is going about her work in the right way and when she gets stuck, she also goes about things in a considerate way, asking for help and being keen to get going again, rather than using it as an excuse to be disruptive.

Enoch and Blessing have been providing the class with very interesting questions and/or eloquent answers to more complex, probing questions and that deserves recognition.”, Mr Devonshire, Geography

## 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 9.