A Selective Academy

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Dear Parent and Student

Congratulations go to:

• The following Lower School pupils who have achieved their Bronze Merit Award:

Poppy Chapman 7S Jacob Andrews 8S Elsa Onaji 8S

• The following Middle School pupils who have achieved **25 Merits**:

Katy Bates 9C Ariana Lister 9C Alexandra McConville 9C

Jack Whitehouse 9CDominic White 9SLuke Perrin 9TTazmin Kidd 10CImoghen Lamb 10CEmelia Reetham 10T

• The following pupils who have attained their **Subject Leader's Commendation**:

**DT: Product Design** Libby Stubbs 13C Archie Lee 13S

Tillie Follett 13T

**German** Isobel Cowley 12S

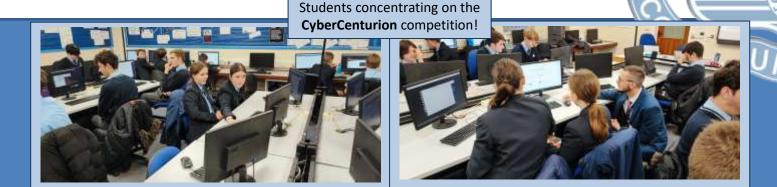
Rowan Smith 8S has been selected for the U13 Winter Performance Squad for Yorkshire Cricket.

I am delighted to welcome everyone back to school for the second half of the Autumn Term.

Last term students from Years 8 to 13 took part in a national cyber security **CyberCenturion** competition. The competition is designed by the <u>American Air Force Association</u> with teams given 2 virtual Linux based computers, *with security flaws*, which they had to address in a 4-hour window. The students rose to the challenge, using an operating system they were very unfamiliar with. A further round is planned for December. This was our first year of taking part in the competition, which proved lots of fun and learning was had by all. Well done!

The **Student Leadership Team** are proud to launch the **2023-24 QEGS Essay Competition**, open to all years an opportunity for the whole school to demonstrate their individual ability to weave a coherent and thought-provoking analysis and response, to a given subject related question and sector of the school. Further details and a poster for display around school are attached. *Get writing!* 

The **Student Leadership Team** are also launching a **House Reading Competition**. This will commence on Wednesday 1 November. The competition will run until the last day of the February half term. If as families, you could sign to authenticate on the forms that students will receive tomorrow, any books that they have read it would be much appreciated.



Y11 mock exams commence tomorrow Wednesday 1 November.

Year 9 Parents' Evening is on Thursday 9 November from 4.30 pm to 7.30 pm, an appointment sheet is attached, these will be distributed to students this week.

And finally, our Sixth Form Open Evening is on Thursday 23 November from 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm, when we look forward to welcoming prospective sixth form students.

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## SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING for all Y11 Students

on Thursday 23 November 2023: 6.00 - 8.00 pm

