

**December 2021**

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As we come to the end of a long but rewarding half term, I want to extend huge thanks to the Y8 students for welcoming and accepting me as their temporary Head of Year so easily and readily. It is a privilege to lead such a fine group of students. My personal highlights include giving out hundreds of golden tickets; seeing and hearing about students taking part in trips, clubs and events, both inside and outside school; receiving copious amounts of positive feedback from members of staff; seeing students who perhaps haven't always made good choices start to show resilience and accept accountability and make significant improvements; seeing students act with care and kindness to each other...the list goes on!

I'd also like to thank all the year 8 tutors for all the support they offer to our students; to Mr James for his hard work and humour (!) and last but certainly not least to Mr Kirkby for working tirelessly and relentlessly in support of our students. THANK YOU!

May I wish all students and their families a safe and merry Christmas and a happy new year.

Best wishes,

Mrs Storer-Young—Acting Head of Year

## Christmas Announcements

A huge **WELL DONE** to Ms Carvell's tutor group for collecting the most food for the food bank—over 130 items! AWESOME!

The Christmas door competition will be judged this week ..who will win?



## Harry Potter Trip

It's been wonderful to see and hear many of our students taking part in trips, events and clubs this half-term—especially after not being able to do so much last year (due to COVID). Here's a picture from the recent Harry Potter trip...see page 2 for further opportunities taken up.



## Reading

This year we have continued to encourage students to read often and widely. The DEAR (Drop Everything And Read) programme has been working really well and lots of students have taken lots of quizzes. There have been **787** quizzes taken in total and **93** last week alone!

The following students have reached their BRONZE award recently and will be receiving their badges after Christmas—well done!

Hayden E

Angel S

Lewis W

Andrei M

Connor M

Adam J

Ami C



## Opportunities Galore!





I asked tutors for nominations of students in their tutor in the following categories and I was overwhelmed by their response!

**Kindness**

**Helpfulness**

**Most improved**

**Most resilient**

**Most respectful**

	Kindness	Helpfulness	Most Improved	Resilience	Respect
<b>8CHU2</b>	Mykala, Olivia, Kenneth, Sophina	Olivia S	Jaden D	Sophina	Chloe P
<b>8CHU3</b>	Broganne H	Andrei	Gethin	Isabel H	Elliot S
<b>8ELG1</b>	Karla E	Lauren B, Lucie C	Chris T, Ellie Mai (merits)	Zaina	Kaushi, Trystan, Dominic, Tarnjit
<b>8ELG2</b>	Maisie P	Lexi-Mae	Ella H	Jermaine	Ivy H
<b>8ELG3</b>	Skybimi	Ahston M	Lilli B	Tobi P	Connor D
<b>8NEW1</b>	Sophie P,, Gabbie	Lily-Jo, Kamila	Rayan	Khloe B, Mark I	Sophie A, Lano
<b>8NEW2</b>	Sabrina M, Oliver D	Charlotte, R Sam K	Angelina	Annabel V	Suren
<b>8NEW3</b>	Jack E	Amber	Ashley H	Aasia, Izzy F	Elis R
<b>8SHA1</b>	Ellie, Christabel	Thomas, Horatio Mia, Harrison	Felicity, Dale, Alin	Hally, Amy, Ella, Sam, Cameron	Ellie, Jess, Kelsie, Cindy, Harley, Brooke
<b>8SHA3</b>	Evan Pickford	Wanessa, Gur-priya, Jacob A	Kornel, Hayden E	Zara, Ella T	Ashden, Oliver B, Dylan B, Ella T, Harveen



## Individual Merit Winners



Oliver D

Ranveer

Christabel

Liam D

Jack E



Well done, to these  
students...will you be  
on the list next time?



As a Year Group we have achieved **55,920** merits so far this year and a whopping **31,823** this half term (**24,097 last half-term**). We beat all the other year groups! This is an immense effort—well done!

### Tutor Group Merits (student average)

Position	Tutor/House
1 <sup>st</sup>	NEW 3 SCL—315
2 <sup>nd</sup>	ELG1—CBE—284
3 <sup>rd</sup>	SHA 1 FJN—281
4 <sup>th</sup>	CHU2—SJO—257
= 5 <sup>th</sup>	NEW 1—BFS —236
= 5 <sup>th</sup>	ELG 3—SRN—236
7 <sup>th</sup>	ELG 2—MAN—226
8 <sup>th</sup>	NEW 2 —SLN—224
9 <sup>th</sup>	CHU 3—BMN—214
10 <sup>th</sup>	SHA 3 YTL—213



to Mrs Carvell's  
tutor group!

