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BCS (Bedford Branch) Cyber Challenge

Award winners 2021

The Bedford Branch is very pleased to announce the award winners of the 2021 Cyber Challenge competition.

Over 70 entries were received from schools in the areas of Bedford Borough, Central Bedfordshire, Luton Borough, Milton Keynes and Buckinghamshire.

	First	Second	Third	Highly Commended
Year 5	G3 <i>Giffard Park Primary School</i>	G2 <i>Giffard Park Primary School</i>	G1 <i>Giffard Park Primary School</i> <i>Sears Green Team</i>	
Year 6	Thomas <i>The Hills Academy</i>	Amelia & Tabitha <i>Leighton Middle School</i>	Thomas <i>Leighton Middle School</i>	Innovation Award Hayden <i>Bedford School</i>
Year 7	Jack <i>Mark Rutherford</i>	Emerson <i>Mark Rutherford</i>	Ellie, Yasmeen, Sarah, Kate <i>Watling Academy</i>	Elenora <i>Watling Academy</i> Jensen, Rasheed, Ethan, Oscar <i>Watling Academy</i>
Year 8	Jayant <i>Lincroft Academy</i>	Sophia <i>Lincroft Academy</i>	Evie O <i>Leighton Middle School</i>	Alex <i>Mark Rutherford</i>
Year 9	Octavia <i>Mark Rutherford</i>			
Year 10	Morgan and Esme <i>Mark Rutherford</i>			

The judges were looking for:

- Creativity
- Selection use, combination and presentation of images and text
- The appropriate choice and use of programming instructions and should include Custom blocks, Loops and Variables
- The clarity of the finished presentation in demonstrating improved learning outcomes



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We congratulate the students, their teachers and parents who supported them in this very COVID challenged school year.

The COVID situation prevented us from presenting the prizes in a formal ceremony, and the photo opportunities. We are grateful for the students, parents and teacher who bear with us.

A competition to support STEM in schools

Since 2013, the BCS Bedford Branch has been running a competition to cultivate young computing leaders. Participating in the Cyber Challenge is a positive way to fulfil the STEM Gatsby benchmarks like linking curriculum learning to careers, encounters with employers and employees, encounters with further and higher education.

The competition is open to all Year 5 to Year 10 students from schools in the areas of Bedford Borough, Central Bedfordshire, Luton Borough, Milton Keynes and Buckinghamshire.

The Branch expects to officially launch the new competition in February 2022.