

## **Haileybury Turnford welcomes Michael Owen to Awards Evening!**

On Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October, Haileybury Turnford celebrated the wonderful achievements of their students from the 2017-18 academic year at their annual Awards Evening. Students from the current Year 8 to 11 and Year 13 were presented with their awards in front of a packed audience staff, family and friends.

Michael Owen, former Welsh international Rugby Union player and captain, and current Director of Rugby at Haileybury, was the school's guest for evening. Michael presented the awards to students, and also gave an inspiring message to students encouraging them to seize every opportunity on offer through their education. Robin Newman, principal commented that "this annual event is a highlight of the school year, giving us the opportunity to recognise the excellent work of our most committed and hardworking students". He added that "this year it was a particular highlight to welcome Michael Owen to present our awards and enable students to meet such a successful former international sportsman".

In addition to the presentation of the Student Awards, the audience was also given a taster of the school's Christmas production "The Wiz" and Year 10 student Seval Basri provided an excellent musical interlude during the evening. Mrs Megaw, Faculty Leader for Creative & Performing Arts, was also awarded with the Outstanding Teacher Award for 2017-18 in recognition of the excellent year for the Arts in the school.