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City boys celebrate record exam results once again

Charles Fillingham Editor

City of London School has been ranked amongst the highest-performing schools in the country following the publication of last month's examination results at GCSE and A Level.

Our eighteen year olds were particularly jubilant with their A Level grades, which consisted of over 30% of A*s. This is the first year that exam boards have awarded the coveted A* and it appears that City has taken

more than its fair share of the top marks - the national average is just 8%.

Cambridge University has courted controversy in the press by requiring at least one A* from each applicant, but this proved to be no obstacle to City boys with two pupils attaining five A* grades and twenty-one boys notching up three or more of the top grades.

Altogether, CLS will be sending nearly a quarter of its co-

hort, 29 boys, up to Oxford or Cambridge this year - a school record.

Meanwhile at GCSE other records were broken. Amazingly, over sixty per cent of all papers were graded at A* and over ninety per cent were A* or A. These results bode well for A Levels in two years' time and the School's Sixth Form has been further bolstered by the addition of some very strong external candidates who have joined City from other schools.

IN THE NEWS

Welcome to new pupils

City of London School is delighted to have welcomed 165 new boys this week. All indications seem to be that you will be a terrific addition to the School. Your entrance exams in the spring and the GCSE results of those of you who have joined the Sixth Form suggest that you will add to the already enviable academic reputation of the School.

Freshers' Fair

Next Friday sees the first ever Freshers' Fair at City of London School. The event is designed to be an opportunity for new boys to hear about the enormous range of extra-curricular events on offer and for existing pupils to become even more involved or to re-engage with the clubs programme.

Every club and society will have a stall set up in the Great Hall, Asquith Room or on the Concourse to publicise their activities.

First Formers, Old Grammarians and Third Formers will be able to browse the stands and sign up for clubs from 12.30pm. The fair will then remain open at the beginning of lunch until 1.30pm for all other pupils to enrol. There are a number of new clubs this year and some of the clubs are already planning to provide snacks or goody bags to drum up support.

Full details will be published in next week's paper.

Are you connected to the Schoolcomms system yet?

All parents should have received their first Schoolcomms message of the academic year last Friday. Another email will be sent this afternoon and every Friday afternoon this year. This is City's principal means of communication with the parent body as a large group. and it is our way of sending letters home. Any parent who is not already connected is urged to contact our data administrator, Mr Shaw, (james.shaw@cls.org.uk) or to telephone the School (020 7489 0291)

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CITY OF LONDON SCHOOL

Charles Fillingham Assistant Headmaster

Welcome to City of London School's weekly newspaper. *The Citizen* exists to keep parents up to date with what is going on at City, to let you know about any changes to planned dates, to tell the School community about how recent events have gone and to provide a forum for budding journalists who cover not only School stories, but also news, reviews, sports and comment.

This will be an exciting term at Citizen

HQ. We have already secured an interview next month with Mayor of London, Boris Johnson and we have also have exclusive access to a couple of Premiership footballers and an England cricketer. I am looking for journalists who would like to conduct these interviews for *The Citizen*. Watch out for the i-phone app which will be launching later this term too.

The first meeting of the new journalists team is today at 12.50 pm in room 111 on the ground floor near the main riverside entrance. Newcomers are welcome and positions of responsibility, such as news editor, sports editor, school news editor and sub-editors will be available. Please come along if you would like to be involved with *The Citizen* this term or this year.

Parent readers of *The Citizen* will, I hope, already have received from their sons a small blue booklet entitled "Calendar and Fixtures List". For the benefit of new parents I would like to explain that the staff at City of London School have already planned when music rehearsals will take

place this term, we know when play rehearsals will be, we have arranged sports matches against other schools and sports training sessions. All of these times and dates are printed in the "Calendar and Fixtures List", along with other key dates and deadlines, venues for activities, details of assemblies names and email address for teachers and other useful information. Your son was given two copies of the CAL-FIX – one is for his blazer pocket and one is for you to keep at home. Amendments or corrections to the CALFIX are usually posted on the School's website and here in *The Citizen*.

Finally I would like to remind parents that all boys have a homework diary and that the teaching staff have now begun to issue homework. Parents are asked to check and sign the homework diary weekly.

Best wishes for a good term ahead.

The Diary

Monday 13th September

- Senior Model UN Meeting, 3rd Forms and above, Coulson, 1.10pm
- Creative Writing Society, Room 315, 1.15pm
- Football, U13 8-A-Side Tournament at Ibstock Place, Away, 1.30-6pm

Tuesday 14th

- 1st Form and OG Trip to Stubbers departs, 8am
- 3rd Form Craft and Design Club, W1, 12.50-1.30pm
- Maths Circle, 409, 12.50 - 1.30pm
- Debating, 2nd and 3rd Forms, Coulson, 12.50pm
- Water Polo, U15 v U16, Home, 4pm
- Model Railway, Railway Room on level 3 by Room 308, 4.10 - 5pm
- Warhammer Club, Room 309, 4.10 - 5pm

Wednesday 3rd

- 6th Form Biology Field Trip to Epping Forest Field Studies Centre, 9am-6pm
- 2nd Form Craft and Design Club, W1, 12.50-1.30pm
- Debating, OG and 1st Form, Coulson, 12.50pm
- Football, Senior Football Trials, Home, 1-4pm
- 1st Form and OG Trip to Stubbers returns, 5pm

Thursday 4th

- Senior Debating, 4th Forms and above, Coulson, 12.50-1.30pm
- Water Polo, U19 v New Citizens, Home, 6pm

Friday 5th

- Freshers' Fayre, Great Hall, Concourse, Asquith Room and Courtyard, 12.30-1.30pm
- Barnes-Amis Society Meeting, Coulson, 12.50-1.45pm
- The Citizen - Editorial Meeting, Room 111, 12.50-1.20pm
- Model Railway Society (see above), 4.10pm-5pm
- Warhammer Club, Room 309, 4.10-5pm

Discounts for Duke of Edinburgh boys

The Citizen has heard from Cotswold Outdoors in Covent Garden. The manager, David List, is offering a 15% discount on all purchases for boys who are enrolled on the Duke of Edinburgh scheme upon presentation of their card. Practical advice and guidance on all aspects of the DofE programme is available from our own Mrs Woodhams in the CCF office on Level 1. Parents and pupils may want to speak to her before rushing to the shops.

Cycle permits

City of London School encourages boys to cycle to school if possible. Cyclists are advised to wear helmets for their own safety.

Any boy who wishes to cycle to school must first bring a letter of consent from his parents addressed to Mr Fillingham. Cycle racks are located near the DVA block in the Lower Playground and in the North Car Park, where the School minibuses are kept. A limited number of extra large cycle lockers are also available in the North Car Park.



New Staff - Autumn 2010

Back row (L-R): Victoria Robin (Geography); Allyn Blake (Maths); John Burrell (MFL); Petronella Scott (SEN).

Front row (L-R): Stephen Dugdale (Maths); Steven Swann (Classics); Fiona Baldwin (RE); Edith Earl (RE).

The Moorfields Eye Study: A study of the anatomy of the developing eye

Mr Ameet Shah Research Fellow
Miss Sancy Low Research Fellow
Mr Keith Barton Consultant Ophthalmologist

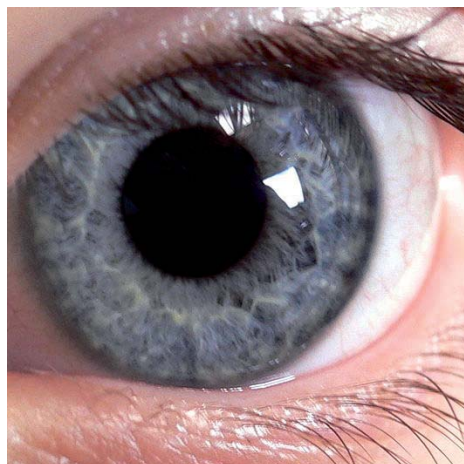
Moorfields Eye Hospital, London

The growing eye is subject to anatomical changes both at the front and back sections of the eye. Up until a few years ago, it had only been possible to study the anatomy of the front section of the eye using an ultrasound probe, immersed in an eye cup filled with saline solution directly applied to the front of the eye. The nature of the test precluded its use in children. However, in recent years, a new technology, ocular coherence tomography (OCT), has permitted the imaging of the front of the eye without the need for any direct ocular contact. Our study is the first such project to investigate the anatomy of the developing eye with this device.

On the 14th and 15th of December 2009, our team from Moorfields Eye Hospital carried out their eye anatomy study at City of London School. The School had kindly allowed me the opportunity to give a short

presentation to the OG and 1st Form boys during a Friday school assembly. The boys sat attentively during my talk and gave me quite a grilling during the question session at the end! I was most impressed by their questions and keen interest in the subject. Mr Griffin had warned me that they would have a lot to ask and he was right!

As part of the study the boys underwent a host of ocular investigations including hav-



ing a vision test, a spectacle assessment, imaging of the front of their eye and even a puff of air to the eye (the pressure test)!

Using the OCT device, we were able to look at the various iris shapes present in the group. In most adults, the iris tends to be either a fairly flat or slightly forward curving structure. A striking finding in these still-growing eyes was that just over a quarter of them in fact had a backwards curving iris, a finding that is relatively uncommon in healthy adult eyes. This backwards curvature seemed to be associated with eyes that were larger in size and more short-sighted (these 2 features tend to go together). In order to follow up on this project, we would like to re-visit the same cohort of boys 2 years down the line to see what anatomical changes we can detect.

The study has certainly advanced our understanding of ocular anatomy. We hope the study stimulated the boys' interest in their own eye health and that they gained an insight into some of the equipment currently used to deliver modern eye care.

Miss MacDonagh's Cookery Corner

Miss A M MacDonagh ICT department

Welcome back to new and existing readers of the CLS Cooking Column. I hope you all ate well over the summer break. I had a great time collecting and testing new recipes from my travels this summer. I did a lot of cooking! Look out for the Grilled Chocolate Sandwich and the OMG! Cupcake recipes. I hope you will have a go at some of the recipes this year. Please let me know how you get on.

Peanut Energy Bars

This easy recipe makes a great replacement for expensive cereal bars which are loaded down with salt, fat and way too much sugar. One of these bars and a glass of milk will keep me going throughout the morning until lunch or afterschool until my evening meal. Play around with the different types of dried fruit and nuts that you use. Enjoy!



Ingredients

- 1/2 cup roasted unsalted peanuts
- 1/2 cup sunflower seeds or other chopped nuts
- 2 cups raisins or other chopped dried fruit
- 2 cups porridge oats
- 2 cup puffed rice cereal. Try to use the cereal which is 100% rice. Not Rice Crispies!
- 1/4 cup wheat germ (optional)
- 1/2 cup creamy or crunchy peanut butter
- 1/2 cup packed brown sugar
- 1/2 cup honey
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Method

1. Coat a rectangular roasting tray with cooking spray or a light vegetable oil.
2. Combine peanuts, sunflower seeds (or other nuts), raisins (or other dried fruit), oats, rice cereal and wheat germ (if using) in a large bowl.
3. Combine peanut butter, brown sugar and honey in a saucepan. Add vanilla and stir until blended. Pour the peanut butter mixture over the dry ingredients and stir until coated.
4. Transfer the mixture to the prepared pan. Press down firmly. (It helps to coat your fingers with a little oil.) Let stand for about 1 hour to harden. Cut into bars. Yum!

FRIENDS OF CITY OF LONDON SCHOOL

A very warm welcome to all new parents and boys. Welcome back to everyone else. We have a variety of events planned, they will all be advertised in The Citizen and on our website friendsofcls.org.uk. Some are below, more will be added week by week. We look forward to meeting/seeing you this term.

2nd HAND UNIFORM - VERY URGENT REQUEST

John Lewis have run out of blazers in certain sizes with the next delivery not expected until October. If you have an out grown blazer we would be delighted to receive it as soon as possible. We have a waiting list of boys needing blazers - ALL SIZES NEEDED. There seems to be a shortage of certain other items; any 'CLS' items ie sports tops, sports socks and jumpers would be gratefully received. Overall our stores are depleted with a Second hand Uniform Sale on Thursday 23rd October 5.00pm - 7.00pm. If you have any outgrown/unwanted uniform in GOOD CONDITION we would welcome it. Donations may be left at Reception in a bag marked 'Friends of CLS - 2nd Hand Uniform'. Thank you.

THANK YOU - SUMMER JAZZ EVENING

Thank you to everyone who supported the Raffle and Auction at The Summer Jazz. Thank you for your generosity both in donating items and bidding. We raised the terrific amount - £2,465.33, half of which has been given to Malaika Kids. Thank you to everyone for their hard work both beforehand and on the day especially the auctioneer. Thank you to School and The Music Department for their support. So many have given so much of their time and talents that there are too many to thank individually - THANK YOU EVERYONE.

One final matter - at the end of the evening there were some raffle prizes left unclaimed. The unclaimed winning numbers are

Blue - 310, 272 and 286
Yellow - 353 and 371
Orange/Peach - 352 and 353

COFFEE MORNINGS

All Coffee Mornings for Parents and Carers are held in Cafe 101 (Salvation Army), 101 Queen Victoria Street, London EC4 - entrance opposite The Sports' Entrance of School ie the swimming pool side. These are an excellent opportunity for parents, old and new, to make contact with other parents.

3rd and 4th Form Coffee Morning

Thursday 23rd September 8.30am - 11 am

Contact Lorette Fredericks 3rd Form (see below) Erica Cosburn 4th Form (erica.cosburn@btinternet.com)

5th and 6th Form Coffee Morning

Friday 24th September 8.30am - 11 am

Contact Fiona Yates 5th Form (fcyates@aol.com) Stephanie Martinez J6th (stephanie@primex.co.uk) Deborah Dorrance-King S6th (see below)

OG. 1st and 2nd Form Coffee Morning

Thursday 30th September 8.30am - 11.00am

Contact Lorette Fredericks at lorette.fredericks@bt.com

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

'CITY WALK' on Sunday, 15th November 2pm followed by tea in School. All welcome - families and friends. Full details and booking forms to follow.

EVENING SUPPER on Tuesday 19th October for parents and carers of boys in OG and 1st Form. Time and venue tbc.

EVENING SUPPER on Thursday 11th November for parents and carers of boys in 3rd and 4th Forms. Time and venue tbc

These casual evenings are an opportunity for those who are unable to attend Coffee Mornings to meet other parents including those who come to Coffee Mornings. Dates for 2nd, 5th and 6th Forms will be confirmed shortly.

CONTACT

Deborah Dorrance-King 0797443 1348 and Lorette Fredericks lorette.fredericks@bt.com, Co-Chairs FoCLS or friends@cls.org.uk

**NEWS INVESTIGATION:
MYSTERY AT SCHOOL**

What is this secretive group known only as *Team Accelerator*?

Alexander Figurski S6KPR
Chairman of the Charity Appeal

Rumours abound that a secretive group of teachers have joined together to form a running team to tackle the upcoming *Run to the Beat* half-

marathon later this month. The massive 30,000 person event, due to be staged in Greenwich, covers thirteen miles and is definitely not for the faint-hearted.

However, the identity of the fourteen-man team from City of London School remains a closely guarded secret. *The Citizen* has learned that the summer training schedule for runners has been somewhat mixed and it is rumoured that at least one team member is not going to make it around the course.

One source, willing only to be identified as "Filibuster" and claiming to be captain of *Team Accelerator* was willing to be quoted as saying that preparations for a grand launch next



week are "well under way". Meanwhile all readers of *The Citizen* are urged to ask their teachers and form tutors about *Team Accelerator* and about the half-marathon itself, *Run to the Beat*, in two weeks' time on Sunday 26 September.

The race may well be the last hurrah for this year's charity appeal for Malaika Kids. This small charity works with AIDS orphans in Tanzania. We have been fund-raising for Malaika Kids for nearly a year and we will present the cheque to them on Wednesday 29 September in assembly in front of the whole school.

We'll keep you posted!

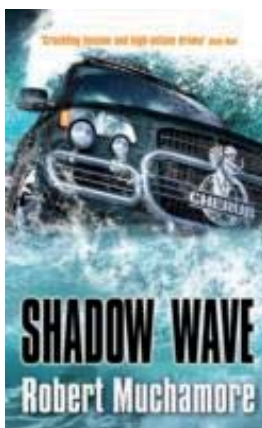
City bookshop ready for new school year

Citizen Special Reporter

City of London School is not unique in having a school shop, but ours is nevertheless something special. Mr Tim Osborne, the bookshop manager can order any book in print and he will stock fiction for teenage boys as a matter of course. The John



Carpenter Bookshop also keeps a healthy stock of School ties, Prefect ties and Sixth Form ties any of which can be purchased for £6.50. See the bookshop box opposite for details of the latest titles. The Bookshop is open 8am-2pm and the manager Mr Osborne can be contacted on 020 7332 0223..



Book Reviews from the Bookshop Manager

Shadow Wave - Robert Muchamore (Hardback £12.99)

After a tsunami causes massive devastation to a tropical island, its governor sends in the bulldozers to knock down villages, replacing them with luxury hotels. Guarding the corrupt governor's family isn't James Adams' idea of the perfect mission, especially as it's going to be his last as a CHERUB agent. And then retired colleague Kyle Bluman comes up with an unofficial and highly dangerous plan of his own.

James must choose between loyalty to CHERUB, and loyalty to his oldest friend.



Zero Hour - Mark Walden (Paperback £6.99)

Overlord is reborn, and has developed the chilling ability to move from body to body, erasing the host's personality and ultimately killing them, forcing him to hop from victim to victim. He must find Otto, the only host designed to contain him, and for that he needs the location of H.I.V.E. He also plans to take control of a secret US Army facility that is home to the Autonomous Weapon Programme, a computer-controlled system uniquely vulnerable to his control.

Nero is forced to activate Zero Hour, a plan designed to deal with any member of G.L.O.V.E. on the brink of true global domination. Nero also knows that Otto must not be allowed to fall into Overlord's hands, and a desperate race across the globe begins.



Hunger - Michael Grant (Paperback £6.99)

The clock is ticking for Sam Temple and the kids of Perdido Beach but it's not the big one-five that they face now; it's starvation that threatens the FAYZ. In an abandoned mineshaft a faceless animal lurks, pulling the strings, toying with human and mutant alike. And he's hungry - hungry in the darkness.

More and more kids are developing strange powers and, just as frighteningly, so are the animals in the FAYZ: talking coyotes, swimming bats and deadly worms with razor-sharp teeth are just the beginning. For Sam Temple the strain of leadership is beginning to show and he's got more than just dwindling rations and in-fighting to worry about - Caine is back with the psychotic whiphand, Drake, by his side. And in the background lies the greatest danger of all - and he too needs to be fed.

Summer “mini-gap” in South Africa

Louis Ross S6WER Deputy editor

In life opportunities are few and far between, and the “once-in-a-lifetimes” and “been-there-done-thats” of this world seem reserved for the rich and famous. So when some friends offered me, Matthew Gleeson, Nabil O’Toole and Bharat Velani a chance to visit and explore South Africa (after the World Cup to our disappointment) we were hardly likely to refuse.

Our trip began and ended in the illustrious, vibrant Cape Town, but it was the small town of Swellendam in Western Cape that most of our time was spent. We stayed with our friends’ old drama teacher Amanda and her husband Dave, who have been running this Mini-Gap programme since they moved to Swellendam six years ago.

On top of a hill all seven of us crammed into a small cottage, a luxury which we later discovered would act as our detox and recovery centre following evenings out at the local pubs and clubs in town. But besides our late night antics our trip was to serve a far more meaningful purpose.

Throughout the weeks we volunteered at the local baby orphanage. The three girls we were with instantly shone, proving their maternal instincts with expert care for the 0-12 months-olds. Meanwhile, the four of us collectively struggled to change the nappy of one baby, and walked home each day exhausted in our puke-stained clothes. However, the experience of childcare was incredible, although we were astounded by the lack of support and help the few, full-time workers received, working tirelessly day and night.

One of the four-months-olds was an HIV baby, a harsh awak-



ening to the true problems that are apparent across Africa, and which we further recognised in Swellendam Hospital, where Baz and Matt (aspiring doctors) went on a week’s work experience. Overwhelmed by the hundreds of cases of HIV/AIDS and

ble, well-educated City Boys from a GREAT school, the two untrained, unqualified, unrehearsed teenagers thought twice before ... accepting her offer and continuing to stitch the wound! The poor man (under no anaesthetic) writhed in pain



tuberculosis, the hospital gave them a phenomenal insight into the different requirements of healthcare in Africa, compared to a country like the UK.

One case however provided the pair with much amusement. A man was admitted having just accidentally chopped his palm with an axe at home. Having cleaned the wound a nurse began to stitch up the inch deep cut when suddenly, mistaking Baz and Matt for medical students casually asked: “Can you finish up?” Now, being sensi-

and let out scream after scream, but the boys, unperturbed by his gruesome wails, did not stop until every off-centre, misguided stitch was sewn!

Aside from our rerun of the Texas Chainsaw Massacre the rest of us volunteered elsewhere. The girls each assisted classes in the local Pre-School, a chaotic battlefield of hair-pulling, eye-gouging and biting amongst infants, while Nabz and I helped to teach English at the neighbouring Primary School. Wishing to study Eng-

lish Language at University these classes were the perfect platform for me to gain some unique experiences; and Nabil, interested in reading psychology, also benefitted greatly from observing the children’s behaviour towards acquiring a second language.

Both the Primary and Preschool are unofficially labelled “black” schools, and while apartheid no longer exists in South Africa, there can still be unfair divides between colour, particularly as regards location, wealth and quality of education. However, everyone was extremely welcoming to all of us, and the children at school were mesmerised by tales of London, the Queen and, inexplicably, Justin Bieber.

When we weren’t volunteering we explored South Africa and amazingly only saw a fraction of what this magnificent country had to offer. We did everything from playing tug-of-war with elephants to quad-biking through the mountains, whale-watching to ostrich riding, all-you-can-eat zebra buffets to dancing with the local street kids and more! Mysteriously, this programme is under-subscribed and I would strongly advise anyone to consider a mini-gap scheme such as this, whether you want to travel the world, bulk up your Personal Statement or simply have a great time with new friends. If you like the sound of our scheme visit www.impangele.net for more information.

Please note: This trip was not organised by the school, the school has no connection with the Impangele mini-gap programme and all promotion of said programme is the opinion of the writer of this article.



Mr P S Marshall Geography department

George is back! He's spent the past year wandering around the globe, seeking out exciting places and this week marks his return to *The Citizen*. This term's topic is mountains – so where is this first destination?

1. This mountain is situated near The Wonder Lake in the Denali national park.
2. The Kahiltna Glacier leads up to the southwest side of the mountain.
3. The Japan Alpine Club installed a meteorological station on a ridge near the summit in 1990.
4. Nearby important peaks include The Moose's Tooth.

Drop George an e-mail at geography_george@clsb.org.uk if you know the answer! By the way, if you see someone resembling Geography George around the school this year, do not be alarmed - it might just be Mr Close trying to come back.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Meal	Lamb dopiaza with fragrant rice mango chutney and poppadoms ●	Bread crumbed sardine fillets with tomato and herb sauce ●	Sichuan chicken with steamed rice ●	Glazed gammon with white parsley sauce ●	Fish of the day with tartar sauce, pickled onions and gherkins ●
Main Meal 2	Mediterranean quiche with chorizo with King Edward potatoes ●	Grilled honey and mustard pork chops ●	Beef filled ravioli with a tomato and cream sauce ●	Fish tagine with apricots, sun-dried tomatoes and chick peas served with minted couscous ●	
Vegetarian Meal	Vegetarian pasty ●	Gnocchi with four cheese sauce ●	Leek and pea flan with a cream sauce served with Minted new potatoes ●	Cheese tortellini with tomato bread ●	Stir-fried vegetables with chillies and black bean sauce with egg noodles ●
Vegetables of the day	Roasted peppers Borlotti beans Tempura cauliflower	Parmentier potatoes Buttered medley of beans Roasted pumpkin	Stir - fry vegetables and bok choi	Croquette potatoes Glazed Carrots Peas and sweetcorn	French fries Minted peas Baked beans
Salads	Selection of freshly prepared salads including mixed leaves, fresh cut cucumber and tomatoes and a protein dish				
Hot Dessert	Rice pudding with raspberry jam ●	Chocolate sponge with chocolate sauce ●	Mandarin cheesecake ●	Strawberry flan ●	Tiramisu ●
Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt Pots	A selection of fresh cut fruit, homemade yoghurt pots and cold dessert pots, or fresh seasonal fruit served in peak condition, ripened and ready to eat				

New season Premier ship predictions



Can you match these expert sporting predictions from *The Citizen*? Home of football news

Devang Shah 3C Sports Correspondent

We have discussed the first three games of the season with our friends since our arrival at school on Tuesday. It is now time for gameweek 4.

Everton v Man United

The Red Devils have started positively, and play strugglers Everton who have only claimed one point from 3 games.
I Predict: Everton 0-3 Man Utd

Arsenal v Bolton

Arsenal have kicked off the season nicely but Bolton have also started off very well as they are currently in 5th position.
I Predict: Arsenal 3-1 Bolton

West Brom v Tottenham

The Baggies have had a decent start: a win and defeats at Liverpool and Chelsea. Spurs need to climb back as they're in 11th position with 4 points.
I Predict: West Brom 0-2 Spurs

West Ham v Chelsea

The Hammers who still haven't won any points this season play league leaders Chelsea who have won every game, scoring 14 goals and not conceding.
I Predict: West Ham 0-4 Chelsea

Birmingham v Liverpool

Birmingham's good start puts them in 6th position but a point behind in disappointing 13th position trail Liverpool. It will be quite a close battle.
I Predict: Blues 1-2 L'pool

Sport

Remember!

The School Bookshop is open from 8am in the morning until 2pm. There you can buy a whole range of books, latest bestsellers, stationery, phone top-ups, greetings cards, stamps and sheet music. You can even pay the congestion charge!



Pre-season football camp

Freddie Evans S6WER First team captain

After an intensive summer of shuttle runs, squats and recovery shakes, City's top footballers met on the 26th of August for the Loughborough Pre-season Football Trip in peak physical condition and relishing the prospects of the fitness testing to come.

They weren't disappointed, and shortly after arriving in Loughborough, those who had taken decadent advantage of the buffet lunch were taking their punishment with the first of many sessions on the rubber crumb pitches. This being just one of the many pitches that Loughborough's supreme sports facilities had to offer; sporting facilities which included a 50m swimming pool, an athletics complex and stadium, and a gym the size of an aircraft hanger. Most valuable, and loved, of all the facilities for the boys, however, was undoubtedly the cool comfort of the ice-baths after a long day of football. With Mr. Cornwell devotedly in charge of refilling the ice, it was ensured that no boy went away before he had

fully 'recovered' from training.

It was with such thorough preparation that City's 1st and 2nd elevens took to the field on the third day against Leicestershire's finest- 'Loughborough Dynamo'. The 2nd's inspirational resilience and innovative football showed just how much they have to offer in the upcoming season whilst the 1st team, squaring up against huge names such as the likes of 'Big Reese', knocked in three goals including two delicious strikes by J6's very own Tom Read.

Following the success of Saturday's matches, the fitness testing of Sunday was embarked upon in high spirits. Unfortunately not all could take part, and wounded heroes like Simon Cohen, having selflessly thrown their body on the line for the team the day before, could only ruefully watch the 'yo-yo fitness test' from the sidelines.

Later that afternoon, the boys headed back to school even fitter and with a wealth of football knowledge and experience to wield

against Alleyn's in the first match of the season.

All involved on the trip are hugely grateful and indebted to Mr. Santry, Mr. Apaloo and Mr. Cornwell for taking the time to plan, organise and run such an incredibly beneficial and enjoyable pre-season.

World Cup Game

by Citizen sports correspondent

Yuri Colmerauer 5C, ran a successful predictor game during this summer's World Cup. The overall winner, who correctly guessed the highest number of match results was Itamar Mor from the Third Form followed by Josh Gertner in the Senior Sixth.

The best placed teacher was Mr Naylor in eighth and the player with the lowest number of correct predictions was Yuri's own form tutor, Mr Alwright.