

# The citizen

CLS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



When lunch rolled around, everyone took a welcome break, sprawling out on the sun-soaked grass, between the path and the river. An observer would have thought it nothing more than a pleasant summer picnic, but those who partook of that meal knew it to be fuel for their tired bodies. To the credit of all, the lawns were left immaculate, no plastic bags or wrappers spoiling the lush grass.

After painful hours, our group made it to the end, and were greeted with a field of reclining, and playful City boys, and the almost historic pavilion, as much a part of school tradition as Grove Park. The physical ordeal was over, however, the true test remains; will these boys, who struggled through that beautiful, arduous nine miles, contribute to the charity with their promised donations? Though they have promised it, it won't really be valued until it is in the coffers. After all, "Seeing is Believing".

Special thanks must be paid to Miss Jones who masterminded every aspect of this year's walk, yet remained cool, calm and collected throughout. She is an example to us all!

The Team: Harry, Tony, Rosie, Sha'ul, Alex, Habillan, Akash, and Sam

**Harry Evans J6ZLC**  
**Deputy Editor**

## CITY MARCHES TO SUCCESS

Last Friday saw the return of the long-dreaded, but enthusiastically-greeted, CLS and CLSG Sponsored Walk. Though the thought of a nine-mile walk caused many to swoon with predicted fatigue, the realisation that there was to be no school made this a tolerable, even enjoyable, day for many.

At 8:30 that morning, Waterloo was filled with those off to work, and, unusually, countless CLS boys. Though there was confusion over tickets, trains, and times, all boys managed to make the trains that they needed, even those who got delayed in Burger King and Starbuck's!

The poor inhabitants of Richmond cannot have known what hit them, with hundreds of children flooding the station at Norbiton, and men in

flashy jackets and flashier sunglasses (Mr Fernandes) standing at every crossing island! After the half-mile walk to the start, those members of 2K that this reporter was accompanying were suitably warmed up and ready to begin.

At the crest of the first hillock, an almost never-ending train of boys, girls, and parents could be seen, all moving toward the promised refreshment stand, a mere nine miles distant.

Cheerful greetings were exchanged between those Sixth Formers lucky enough to be stationed at crucial junctions, and those shepherding eager youngsters. Even teachers were cheerfully going about their duties. Mr. Costly-White was even considering changing profession, so much did he enjoy herding boys safely across the roads. Miss Samuels looked less enthusiastic, giving him a disparaging look.

# EDITORIAL & DIARY

## THE EDITORIAL

The passing of one school year marks the imminent arrival of the next. How long, I wonder, have school years been passing like this? I know that the British school system has its roots in the agrarian calendar – that is to say the holidays coincide with the times when children were required to work in the fields to gather in the harvest or carry out other farming tasks. I also know that the oldest school in England is, apparently, the King's School in Canterbury, which was founded in AD 597 by St Augustine, the first Archbishop of Canterbury. So, perhaps the school holidays have been in July and August for 1412 years. However, one historical fact may necessarily not imply another. Nevertheless, the summer holidays have certainly been an established tradition for centuries.

As many here at City of London School begin dreaming of long lazy days in the not too distant future, many here and elsewhere are also gearing up for the academic year 2009/2010. My first son, for example, begins his reception year at school this September. Last week I went along to hear the Headmistress speak and to meet Mrs Jones, his class teacher. As I handed over my credit card to pay for school uniform and tried to avoid sampling the school dinners which the chef was pushing towards me, I began to reflect on what I still want to show and teach my son before his first day on in two and a half months' time. I want to take him to the London Transport Museum with his grandfather, I want to help him to speak a little more French, I want to finish reading *The Faraway Tree* books to him and I want to teach

## Events

### Next Week

#### Monday 29th June

- 2nd Form Beaufoy Festival, Winterflood Theatre, 9.10am-12.50pm
- Model UN Meeting, Coulson, 1.10pm
- Senior Maths Circle, 409, 1.15pm

#### Tuesday 30th

- Debating, 4th Form and above, 434, 1.10pm
- Debating, 2nd and 3rd Forms, Coulson, 1.10pm
- String Orchestra Bach Concert, Boyes Recital Room, 6pm

#### Wednesday 1st July

- Debating, OG and 1st Forms, Coulson, 12.50pm
- Creative Writing, 315, 1.15pm
- Water Polo, U13 v Haberdashers' Aske's and BMS, Home, 4pm

#### Thursday 2nd July

##### MUFTI DAY

- Inter-Form, 2nd Year Uni-Hoc, Sports Hall, 7.45-8.40am
- **Charity Fayre, Courtyard, 2pm**
- Inter-House, 4th Year 5-a-side Football, Sports Hall, 4.10-5.30pm

#### SUMMER JAZZ EVENING

Concourse and Courtyard  
6.30pm

#### Friday 3rd July

- Inter-Form, 2nd Year Uni-Hoc, Sports Hall, 7.45-8.40am
- Final Assembly, Great Hall, 12.10pm

#### TERM ENDS 12.30PM

him to do up and undo buttons properly.

What do you want to achieve before we return in September? I suggest that now is the time to think about what you plan to do over the nine weeks of summer holiday. As I suggested three weeks ago, simply mastering your newest game on the *Xbox* or *Wii* would be considered by some as setting your sights too low. Will you write your first novel or collection of poetry this summer? Will you be allowed to redecorate your bedroom this summer? Will you travel on every London bus route in ascending numerical order, beginning with the No. 1 from Tottenham Court Road to Canada Water? Will you learn useful and unusual phrases from the language of the country that you are visiting this summer on holiday? Will you take a trip to Marylebone Station without passing "Go"? Will you learn to cook?

Whatever your plans for the summer, you may rest assured that many generations of school children have enjoyed these holidays, but spare a thought for those in years gone by whose break from school meant back breaking work in the fields. They might have enjoyed being able to plan out interesting activities, but did not have the opportunity.

There is one week of term left. Let us make sure that it is a success – there is homework still to be done and there are lessons still to be learned. The holidays are coming, but they are not quite here yet.

Best regards,  
**Charles B Fillingham**

# SCHOOL NEWS

## 2ND FORM LONGLEAT TRIP

Phew, at last the exams were over. The only question remaining was how to celebrate it. Of course Mr. Norman and the other members of staff knew the answer to this one. We were told that we were heading to Longleat, a safari park in Somerset. We started our journey early at 7:45 and we split up into two coaches.

When we reached Longleat we decided to take a ride round the Safari Park in our two coaches. Here we were face to face with many animals. We saw Rothschild giraffes. These giraffes were around 5 metres long, could run up to speeds of 35 miles per hour and their tongues could reach a length of 45.6 cm. In fact in 1986 the first twin giraffes in Europe were born at Longleat. These Rothschild giraffes shared a 60 acre enclosure with the Grant zebras. The black and white markings of the zebra are unique just like the fingerprints of a human. Another interesting fact is that a newborn zebra normally can stand within one hour of its birth. We also saw some fierce looking rhinos. These types of rhino species were called the 'white rhinoceros'. Interestingly these were not coloured white but coloured grey. The word white was actually a mistranslation of the African word 'wid' which actually means wide mouth. The white rhinoceros is two metres long and weighs around 2 tonnes. We also saw three Siberian tigers which had been introduced in the enclosure. These tigers had roars which could carry more than two kilometres and were very strong swimmers.

Lastly we saw some lions. Some of them had inconveniently decided to take a daytime snooze when we approached. However this was not uncommon as lions normally sleep for 16-20 hours in a day. Lions also are around 3 metres in length, weigh more than 240 kg and eat 40 tonnes of meat a year.

After the safari ride we got off the coach and split up into different groups. We all had some lunch and then my group went to the boat ride. Here we saw many sea creatures such as sea lions and seals. We even managed to get a good view of the hippo who was allegedly the most dangerous animal in Longleat. In the middle of the lake there was a small island where a gorilla lived. According to the guide this gorilla, Nico, was the oldest gorilla in the UK at 39 years of age, he had a 32 inch TV and he loved Sponge Bob Square Pants, hated Sky Sports and always claps when he is happy. He is the only gorilla in the island as he is so old he could not live with another gorilla. We were told another gorilla lived with Nico a few years ago but he sadly died of old age. After that the guide gave us an opportunity to feed the seals with fish.

After we left the boat, a decision was taken that we should try to complete the maze. This was a hard task (well for some anyway) but most people got to the middle tower within ten to fifteen minutes. We then took a ride on the motion simulators which was powered by hydro electricity. This was obviously very successful as the bumpy car ride was very energetic and left a few people felling dizzy afterwards.

At last we did ten minutes of shopping before making our way to

the coach where we had around 3 hours to think about the lovely trip. All in all it was a very eventful day and I am sure all the boys had lots of fun.

**Anudeep Bhattacharyya 2P**

## LIBRARY STOCK CHECK

All Library items must be returned by the end of term for the Stock Check. Junior Sixth Formers who wish to borrow books over the Summer Holidays for their Independent Investigations must arrange this with the Library Staff.

**DAR**

## CHAPEL ROYAL RADIO 4 LIVE BROADCAST

Last Sunday, the Gentlemen and Choristers of Her Majesty's Chapel Royal gave a live broadcast of Mattins from St James's Palace. This was to mark the 500th anniversary of the coronation of Henry VIII.

The preacher was the Bishop of London and Dean of the Chapel Royal, the Right Rev and Right Honourable Richard Chartres.

If you missed the broadcast you can still catch it on BBC iPlayer via the link:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b00197z9>

**PH**

## SCHOOL NEWS

### CLS BOYS TO CYCLE TO PARIS

On Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June nine boys and two members of staff will set out from CLS and start the arduous cycle to Paris. The cycle, consisting of over 300 miles, is in aid of this year's elected school charity Seeing is Believing. We will complete the cycle to and from Paris in four days.

I urge you to donate what you can in order to show your support for the endless hours of training and organisation that we have put into achieving this feat. No donations will be spent on expenses, and we have secured an agreement with Standard Chartered Bank whereby all money raised in this year's collection will be match funded.

Your donations can be made via cheques addressed to the City of London School or through the following website:

[www.charitygiving.co.uk/clscycle09](http://www.charitygiving.co.uk/clscycle09).

I thank you in advance for your generosity.

**Josh Hirschowitz**

(Deputy Head of School and Co-chairman of the Charity Committee)

### SPONSORED WALK 2009

Many thanks to all the pupils, parents and staff who made Friday's Sponsored Walk, from Richmond Park to Kew Green, such a success. Without the help of staff acting in many capacities as well as parents and J6th boys who are guardians to younger boys, the logistics of the walk would be impossible.

Thanks also to the Friends of CLS who served the much needed refreshments from Kew Green Cricket Pavilion to tired walkers. Some sprinted to the finish and

others limped, but all were pleased to be handed drinks and snacks to fortify them, before a game of football and the start of the weekend. We were most fortunate with the weather; neither too hot nor cold, with a pleasant breeze and more than a hint of sunshine.

Boys should now be collecting their sponsor money. Cheques should be made payable to 'City of London Charitable Trust' and handed, with the boy's name clearly marked, to his form tutor, or directly to Miss Jones. **JEJ**

### SEAGULL SENTRIES ATTACK CLS STAFF

A number of CLS staff members have had an embarrassing experience this week as a group of militant seagulls decided to target them, attacking and defecating over them while they were enjoying the summer weather on the south side roof. This coterie of over-protective birds was acting to protect their young, a nesting trio of fledgling seagulls, and decided that the nearby staff posed a risk to their safety.

Each summer, a group of seagulls decide to make their nest atop the

boiler control room on the CLS roof, attracted by a graveled surface that camouflages their grey-speckled young, and the fact that the area is usually undisturbed by humans.

The chicks are fed intermittently when the adults return with fried chicken bones and other fast food remnants, the remains of which form a slightly unsettling 'chicken graveyard' in one corner of the roof. The pile of bones also heightens fear in the minds of the victimized staff, as they are subtly reminded of Hitchcock's nightmare fantasy of man-eating birds.

One victim of the attacks told me how the adult birds would fly off completely out of sight, only to suddenly reappear at full speed launching their high precision bombing sorties.

There are usually 2 adult seagulls standing sentry by the chicks, but there have been as many as 5 adults perched around the area at times.

They seem particularly wary of the drama technician Mr. Oliver, who has been targeted more times than any other staff member. Some have suggested that it might be because of his towering height and his propensity to wear black, but others seem convinced it has more to do with his sardonic grin which reminds the birds of Jack Nicholson's eerie role in 'The Shining'.

**Tom Kelly (IT Dept)**



# CLSG and CLS



Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2009 4.30-6.30pm

At CLS



## Gladiator Party!



\*pointy swords and lions neither provided or required!

[Booking Form for CLS OG & CLSG U2](#)

[Gladiator Party](#)

This is a team event with a mixture of quizzes and gladiator style games –

[If you have any queries, please contact:](#)

**CLS:** Jane MacLean (07760 154133) or Deborah Dorrance King(07974 431348)  
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# **String Orchestra**

**Conductor: Julia Jones**

Soloists: Timothy Crawford, Samuel Alberman, Violins  
Zizhou Zhang, Piano  
Geoffrey Chang; Cello

## **J.S. Bach**

Concerto for two Violins in D minor, BWV1043 mvt 1  
Brandenburg Concerto No.3 in G major BWV1048 mvt3  
Keyboard Concerto No.5 in F minor BWV1056  
Cello Suite No.1 in G major BWV 1007

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2009  
6pm, Boyes Recital Room

Entrance Free, Refreshments.

## NEWS

### WORLD POLITICS ROUND-UP

Around one million people have protested through Tehran, the capital of Iran, to protest against what they said was a rigged election on the part of Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, the incumbent president, which officially enabled him to beat Mir Housein Mousavi by twice as many votes as his. The police have shot down and arrested some protesters, and the clergy are recounting.

Binyamin Netanyahu, the prime minister of Israel, said that Palestinians should have a state alongside Israel; however, most Palestinians and Arabs disagreed, due to the conditions he attached to it.

In Africa, Sudanese gunmen from the Jukany-Nuer tribe looted a UN convoy, killing about 40 guards. Hundreds of others, however, have also been killed. In Somalia, the police chief in Mogadishu was killed by Islamist rebels.

India's government announced that it wanted to withdraw troops from Kashmir. Hundreds of thousands of troops have been stationed in Kashmir, which has suffered twenty years of insurgency. Pakistan's Prime Minister, Asif Zardari, has held talks with his Indian counterpart about renewing the countries' formal meetings, however, agreements were not reached. Singh has discussed Pakistan's role as a base for cross-border terrorism.

Barack Obama was met by South Korea's president, Lee-Myung-bak

in Washington. Both reaffirmed their countries' alliance and opposition to North Korea's nuclear capability.

In Canada, the threat of a fourth general election in five years has been averted when Michael Ignatieff, the leader of the Liberals, agreed to back Stephen Harper's Conservative minority in a confidence vote.

**Ashman Misra 2B**

### THE CITY OF LONDON FESTIVAL

You may have seen pianos dotted around the City of London last week, or maybe you witnessed several hundred saxophonists processing through the streets. Do not be alarmed! The City of London festival is well under way, an annual arts festival which runs right through the summer, consisting of free concerts, participation exhibitions, and education and lectures.

On Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June, 800 saxophonists of all shapes and sizes,

of which I was one, marked the 800<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first stone bridge in London. They walked from four different points in the City, all improvising and making a deliberately 'chaotic sound'. These four groups converged on the north side of London bridge, with each saxophonist playing a melody written by John Harle, a celebrated composer for the saxophone, but not in sync so that the sound was again chaotic. The saxophonists then walked to the middle of the bridge, where John Harle, in striped blazer and standing on a podium, brought the group to a halt and conducted the entire group in sync creating, at last, a more controlled sound. The players walked off the bridge holding a single note.

You can expect to see many more events in the coming months. From various dance companies performing on the steps of St Pauls Cathedral, to a group enacting poetic tales on tightropes in Paternoster Square, the City of London festival won't fail to impress.

**Oliver Greenwood 5A**



## NEWS AND COMMENT

### PRAISE INDEED

*Boris Johnson is justifiably being touted as a potential Prime Minister*

There was a time when odds were being offered on Boris Johnson falling of his bike. Five years later, some are now offering bets on the likelihood of his becoming Prime Minister. The fact that such a bet is being offered, and that just 22% of Londoners disapprove of the Mayor's performance, illustrates just how significant Mr. Johnson's recent rise has been. When compared with the 63% of voters who registered their disapproval of Ken Livingstone at the last election, poll ratings for Mr. Johnson take on an added lustre.

Mr. Johnson's fight against knife crime has resulted in a 30% decrease in the number of youths suffering serious stabbing injuries. Another aspect of the Mayor's fight against anti-social and violent behaviour was the banning of alcohol on the tube, an obvious move considering that 40% of violent crime in London is alcohol related.

One subject that many boys at this School hold dear is the state of London's infamous transport system. A key element of Mr. Johnson's manifesto, the Mayor has ensured that it has remained a key part of his job, such as the introduction of both new Routemasters and hybrid buses. More recently, Mr. Johnson emerged strongly from a battle with the RMT union; refusing to allow tube drivers guarantees over redundancies. With an eye to London's finances Mr. Johnson immediately abandoned *thelondoner*

when he came to office – a saving of £2.8million annually.

Mr. Johnson has however not been afraid to open his wallet in the right circumstances. He opened Crossrail earlier this year despite criticism of the scheme, and thwarted the planned extension of the congestion charge, which would have 'fined' certain cars an added amount.

Our mayor may cast an envious glance towards Westminster where fellow Old Etonian, David Cameron, appears destined to get the keys to No. 10 Downing Street sooner or later. But Mr. Johnson's rise may not end at City Hall, Londoners will watch his progress with interest.

**Ezra Cohen 4B**  
**Politics Correspondent**

This unopposed praise of Boris Johnson will be countered by an opposing view of his period in office in the coming weeks. **CBF**



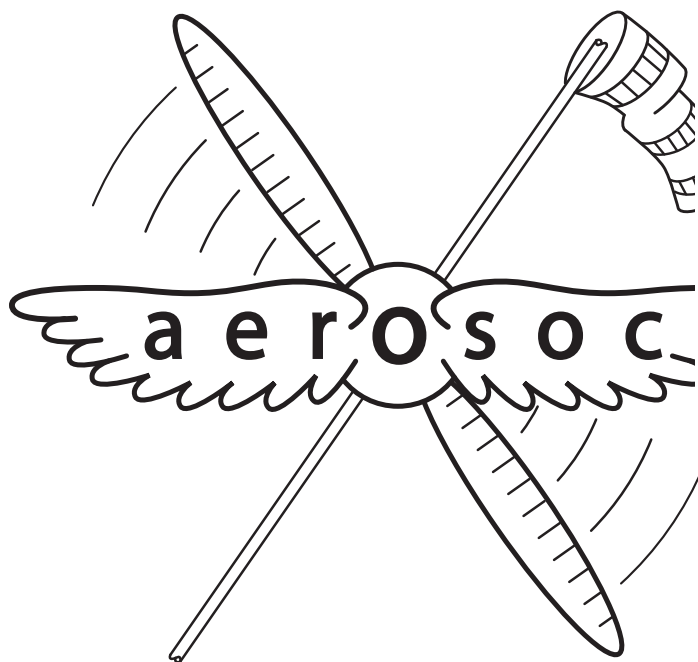
#### **AeroSoc Faces Challenging Times**

There is frenetic activity in the AeroSoc hangar as our brave and fearless aviators prepare their flying machines for the *Magnificent Men and their Flying Machines* challenge. Aviators are competing for what must be the most coveted trophy in the field of aeronautical endeavour, let alone extreme sports.

It is quite impossible to predict which of the variety of flying machines currently under construction will be the outright winner. So, come and witness the event for yourselves for an airborne spectacle. 'Chocks away' at 12.50 next Tuesday, June 30<sup>th</sup> during lunch-break in the courtyard.

Fancy a flutter yourself? Inspect the flying machines during break next Tuesday and guess the winning distance to win your own prize in our charity sweepstake. **EW**





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# Magnificent Men and their Flying Machines CHALLENGE

Tuesday June 30th  
during Lunch Break  
in the school courtyard

Can you predict the overall winner of our splendid Trophy?

We can't!!

Aviators compete for:  
(among others...)

Overall Winner (lands/ crashes furthest from launch)  
Most Spectacular Landing .. Wackiest Design  
Most Optimistic Design .. Most Spectacular Flight

Guess the winner and enter our charity sweepstake  
to compete for your own prizes

## NEWS AND COMMENT

### LIES AND STATISTICS

By publishing studies, scientists aim to share with the world a theory which they claim to have proven. But the reliability of their research is habitually questioned by both experts and disbelievers who frequently debate the revealed data which can often seem too perfect to be accurate. Living in an age where breakthroughs occur every second it is increasingly important to be able to discern the probability of facts being true.

One man felt obliged to investigate the situation and so collated 18 studies spanning a period of 23 years, all inquiring into the topic of scientific dishonesty. The research was thoroughly analysed by Daniele Fanelli using a rigorous technique called meta-analysis. Last month he released a paper entitled *How Many Scientists Fabricate and Falsify Research*; it gives an unexpected insight into the world of discoveries:

The behavioural ecologist found that 2% of scientists admit to having “fabricated, falsified or altered” information in order to improve the outcome of a study. 34% confess to being guilty of omission by failing to present data that they felt to be incorrect or which contradicted personal previous research.

When asked about felonies committed by colleagues researchers were much more inclined to dish the dirt. 14% asserted that they knew someone who had altered findings and a staggering 72% knew someone who had omitted key data.

Dr Fanelli suspected that his figures were probably an underestimate,

citing the increase of evidence suggesting that “known frauds are just the tip of the iceberg and many cases are never discovered”.

This news is undoubtedly distressing, but the real question it raises is – can we trust it?

**Jack Cohen**  
Columnist

### YOUR TEACHER COULD BE A SPY

Newspapers are reporting that MI5, Britain’s Security Service, is actively trying to recruit the next generation of counter-terrorism spies from the teaching profession. To most students, the thought that boring old teachers could find a career as cool, stealthy spies is somewhat unbelievable; indeed, many students would find it difficult to believe that teachers ever do anything other than talk in lessons or mark homework. Teachers, on the other hand, will be pleased to know that the often exasperating hours they spend trying to educate youngsters are not a complete waste of their time, as experience in the classroom can actually make teachers particularly suited to the world of espionage.

Although some teachers do betray a knack for interrogation when they corner students guilty of not completing homework or not getting to school on time, this is not the link between the teaching and spying professions. According to the MI5, teachers ‘can build trust and relationships with all sorts of individuals’, which is an advantage because it allows them to then use that trust and those relationships to gather intelligence that could prove crucial in the protection of the Queen and country. *The Citizen* asks you which teachers could make an

effective secret agent. Who is the next James Bond?

**Jay Swain J6RFD**

### THE ROYAL OPERA – LA TRAVIATA

Sir Richard Eyre returned to direct this outing of his much-revived 1994 production of “La traviata”. This is the eleventh revival and it is back twice next season, once with the soprano who created the part of Violetta in this production, Angela Gheorghiu (Georg Solti conducted back then). On this occasion Renée Fleming made her much-anticipated London debut as Violetta. It is also reputed to be her final run in this role.

This is a marvellous production. Sir Richard demonstrating an understanding for the audience that resulted in characters being able to inhabit their parts, being placed appropriately about the action and interacting with the staging in a suitable and believable way. This is not to say that avant-garde productions are *verboten*. On the contrary, there are countless examples of operas where transplanting the situation works wonders; Jonathan Miller’s production of “Rigoletto” for English National Opera springs immediately to mind, where the setting is in 1950s’ New York and the Duke is a mafia Don.

But, Sir Richard’s is a traditional staging, and is all the good for it. So, there was a sumptuous party for Act One, with everyone dressed in formal evening wear. The first scene of Act Two is Alfredo’s house (a grand drawing room, in need of some repair) and the second scene is a wonderful creation of a gambling den. The final Act is a run-down bedroom. All this adds to the story-telling.

**KPR**



## **“JAZZ ON THE ROOF” §§§ AUCTION LOTS**

### **A Northbank Lunch or Dinner Voucher worth £175, for up to 4 people**

NORTHBANK is a relaxed, friendly yet slick & smart restaurant & bar, a stone's throw from school. The winning bidder will book a table for up to 4 on a date of their choosing, subject to availability, for lunch or dinner, to use this voucher. **Starting Price £100**

### **2 Top Seats in the Emirates Stadium for an Arsenal Game Next Season**

2 top tickets for an Arsenal game at the Emirates Stadium next season, by mutual agreement with the Ticket owners. These luxurious seats are in the Club Level, on the centre line of the pitch in a spacious stand, & are 2 of the best seats in the stadium.

**Starting price £100**

### **‘Nila’ Design Concept worth £500 for a room of your choice**

Utilise the services of an interior designer to redesign a room. The designer will meet the winner in their home to understand their design aspirations for the room. The designer will produce a concept board for the winner suggesting a colour scheme, textures, materials & shapes, to use as the basis for redesigning their room. **Starting price £50**

### **2 Wembley Tickets for England v Slovenia on Sept 5<sup>th</sup> 2009**

2 Great seats in Wembley stadium, for the England v Slovenia Friendly.

**Starting Price £100**

### **A Private Box in the Royal Albert Hall for a ‘Proms’ concert, 28<sup>th</sup> July**

The box seats 5, including a stool seat with slight view restriction. The position of the box guarantees superb views. The programme: Casken's 'Orion over Farne', Tchaikovsky's 'Piano Concerto No. 2 in G major', and Stravinsky's 'The Firebird', at 7.30pm.

**Starting Price £100**

### **2 Mystery Match tickets to see Arsenal at the Emirates Stadium**

2 seats at the front of the upper stand at the Emirates Stadium, for a match to be agreed between the ticket holder and winner. The tickets will be for a match next season, at the discretion of the ticket owner. **Starting Price £50**

### **A Wine Tasting and Tapas evening for 10 at Bacchanalia worth £500!**

Two and a half hours of wine tasting and tapas at Bacchanalia, Broken Wharf House, for 10 people. A marvellous opportunity to learn about wine, and treat your friends!

**Starting Price £150**

### **A Week in The Yellow Villa, Algarve, Portugal.**

The Villa lies in the nature reserve, Ria Formosa, Quinta Dos Pinheiros. A 20 minute walk from a 5 km white sandy beach, it has private terraces and pool, and sleeps 6 adults and 2 children. Faro Airport is a 45 minute drive away, & car hire is essential. The week is by mutual agreement with the owner, depending on availability school holiday weeks not excluded. Full details on

[www.yellowvilla.com](http://www.yellowvilla.com) **Starting Price £300**

### **An England Shirt Signed by Theo Walcott**

A magnificent opportunity to own a current England shirt, signed by Theo Walcott!

**Starting Price £50**

***Fuller details will be posted on the Friends Website shortly!***

# FRIENDS

## JAZZ ON THE ROOF

The Music Department and The Friends are hosting an evening of Jazz and Barbecue on Thursday, 2nd July at 6.30 pm. Tickets are £7.50. Concessions free. Booking forms are in The Citizen. Numbers are limited. The Friends are running an auction and a raffle during the evening. The profits from the auction and raffle will be divided 50:50 between 'Seeing is Believing' and The Friends funds. If you are unable to attend it will be possible to place a commission bid for any item in the auction, see below and at the end of The Citizen. Full details are in the letter in The Citizen. We would be very grateful for donations towards either . For further details please contact Lesley Dabson at [lesley.dabson@virgin.net](mailto:lesley.dabson@virgin.net) or [friends@clsb.org.uk](mailto:friends@clsb.org.uk). Any donations may be left at Reception clearly marked JAZZ AUCTION/ RAFFLE Friends of CLS c/o Lesley Dabson. Thank you for your donations.

## COMMISSION BIDS FOR AUCTION

If you are unable to come on the night we will arrange for someone to bid for you at the auction at JAZZ ON THE ROOF. Through the great generosity of local businesses and parents we have some fabulous items. 2 top seats in The Emirates Stadium for an Arsenal match next Season, Voucher for 4 for Northbank Restaurant, Nila Design Concept (interior design) Voucher, Private box for 5 at The Royal Albert Hall for a 'Proms' Concert, Holiday Villa at Quinta dis Pinheiros on Ria Formosa Nature Reserve in The Algarve for 1 week, England Shirt signed by Theo Walcott, 2 Upper Stand seats to see Arsenal at The Emirates Stadium next Season and A Wine Tasting for 10 at Bacchanalia - canapes/tapas included. There are brief details at the end of The Citizen with a bid commissioning form. Full details will be posted on our website [friendsofcls.org.uk](http://friendsofcls.org.uk) and will be sent via the usual group emails. For further details or questions please contact Deborah Dorrance-King on 07974431348 or at [deborahdorrance@hotmail.com](mailto:deborahdorrance@hotmail.com).

Even if you can't be there on the night you can still support the 'Seeing is Believing Campaign' and The Friends.

## OG AND 1st FORM EVENING SOCIAL PLEASE BOOK ASAP

There will be an Evening Social/Supper for Parents and Carers of Boys in OG and 1st Form on Monday 29th June at 8pm at Thai Square, 1 Great St Thomas Apostle Street, London EC4Y 2BH (immediately behind Mansion House Tube Station). Please let us know if you are interested in coming even if you cannot confirm, we need to book NOW. Contacts Deborah Dorrance-King [deborahdorrance@hotmail.com](mailto:deborahdorrance@hotmail.com)/ 07974431348, Lorette Fredericks - [lorette.fredericks@bt.com](mailto:lorette.fredericks@bt.com) or [friends@clsb.org.uk](mailto:friends@clsb.org.uk) Thank you.

## JOINT CLS/CLSG OG/UPPER 2 SOCIAL LAST CHANCE

There will be a Joint CLS/CLSG Gladiator Party for OG and Upper 2 on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June 4.30pm – 6.30pm at CLS. Lots of quizzes and gladiator style games. No lions or pointy swords required or provided! For more info contact Jane MacLean (07760 154133) or Deborah Dorrance King(07974 431348) [friends@clsb.org.uk](mailto:friends@clsb.org.uk)/[jane.maclea@btinternet.com](mailto:jane.maclea@btinternet.com) Booking form in Citizen and on web site [friendsofcls.org.uk](http://friendsofcls.org.uk)

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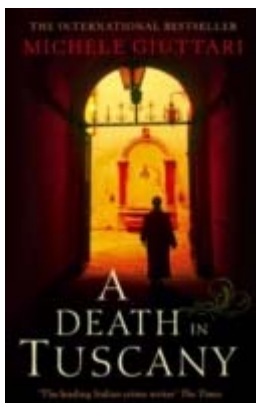
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Frustrated by the lack of progress, Chief Superintendent Michele Ferrara, head of Florence's elite Squadra Mobile, decides to step in. Because toxins were discovered in the girl's body, many assumed that she died of a self-inflicted drugs overdose. But Ferrara quickly realises that the truth is darker than that: he believes that the girl was murdered.

And when he delves deeper, there are many aspects to the case that convince Ferrara that the girl's death is part of a sinister conspiracy - a conspiracy that has its roots in the very foundations of Tuscan society..

## CLS 3<sup>rd</sup> In TMC National Final

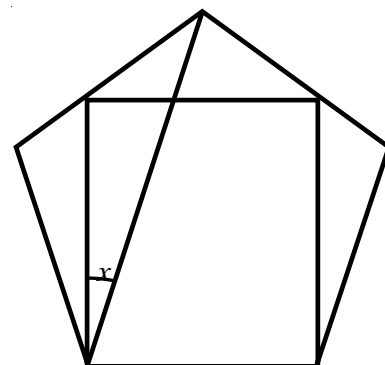
Daniel Hu (3H), Dominic McLoughlin (3B), Anudeep Bhattacharaya (2P) and Mahmoud Ghanem (2B) brought great glory upon the school by finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Team Maths Challenge National Final on Monday. This is the highest the school has ever finished in the National Final in the five times it has qualified. CLS were up against 70 schools including Bancroft's School, Dragon School, Highgate School, Judd School, Manchester Grammar School, Queen Elizabeth's School, Reigate Grammar School, St Olave's Grammar School and Tiffin School. St Paul's School won, followed by Loughborough Grammar School.

The award ceremony at the TMC National Final was presented by David Acheson of Jesus College Oxford. He used two words to explain why he studied mathematics, "Surprises", and "Problems". His 2004 lecture, 'Mathematics, Magic and the Electric Guitar' can be found online. Dr Acheson presented each member of the CLS team with a signed copy of his latest book, '1089 and all that'. The team members also received mugs, certificates, individual trophies, and a larger glass trophy which will be presented once again in the Monday assembly.

CLS got off to a magnificent start by scoring full marks in the first two rounds, the Group Round, and the Head to Head. In the Head to Head, teams are paired up and compete against their opponents to correctly answer a series of questions. One half of the team works on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> question, whilst the other pair works on questions 2 and 4. The solution ( $T$ ) of each question is dependent on the previous one:

1. A rectangle sits inside a regular pentagon, sharing one edge, as shown in the diagram.

How many degrees is angle  $x$ ?



2.  $T$  is the number that you will receive.

Anthony and Bertrand have 12 marbles between them. Bertrand and Charlie have  $T$  marbles between them. Charlie and Anthony have  $3T - 40$  marbles between them.

How many marbles does Charlie have?

3.  $T$  is the number that you will receive.

Gabby and her sister Harriet go from home to the shop and back. Gabby runs to the shop at 3 m/s, spends 100 seconds there, and runs back at 5 m/s. Harriet cycles to the shop at  $T$  m/s, spends 3 minutes there, and cycles back at 6 m/s. They leave and arrive at the same time.

How many metres away is the shop?

4.  $T$  is the number that you will receive.

Rip Van Winkle's younger brother falls asleep on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2008, a leap year. He wakes up  $T$  days later. On which date does he wake up? Give your answer in the form dd/mm/yy.

The last two rounds were the Cross Number, and the Relay. Similar to a crossword but with numerical answers, the team had to work in pairs. One pair has the across clues, and the other pair has the down clues. Pairs work independently to complete the grid using logic and deduction. Some of the clues required answers such as a 5-digit answer that was 'three more than an even cube number', or a 3-digit answer that was 'a prime number which is one less than a multiple of six'.

Any boy interested in being considered for the school team next year should attend the Maths Circle next September. There is also a Senior Team Maths Challenge held in November for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Formers. Have a great summer!

**SSF**

# Mr Billy Dove

At last week's Governors meeting, Mr Dove stepped down as Chairman of the Board of Governors, having served the School in this capacity loyally and successfully for the past three years. What follows is the transcript of the vote of thanks given by Deputy Joyce Nash, a fellow Governor.

## Vote of Thanks

### Resolved Unanimously:

That at the conclusion of his three year term of office as their Chairman, the Board of Governors of the City of London School wish to extend to William Harry Dove MBE JP, their sincere thanks and appreciation for the manner in which he has presided over their deliberations and the detailed care and interest he has shown in all aspects of the life of the City of London School.



His time in office has been marked by his considered and thorough approach towards the work of the Board which has ensured the efficient and effective governance of business at the School. Throughout his term the untiring support and counsel he has given to the Headmaster have been invaluable in helping to resolve any sensitive issues and disputes affecting the running of the School.

In his role as Chairman, he has guided the successful completion of the Winterflood Theatre; a state of the art facility for both the School and local communities, and has also overseen a major expansion of ICT facilities with two new computer workshops, a Music Technology Studio and new multimedia facilities in the vast majority of classrooms.

During his Chairmanship, the School has seen continued improvement in both GCSE and A Level results and boasts over 85% of pupils now entering Russell Group Universities.

Under his guidance the School has flourished and has seen unprecedented interest from prospective parents and applications for both Full Fee and Bursary places are also at a record high. His careful guidance of financial matters has also ensured that the School has remained in very good financial health despite the recent economic downturn. Cash reserves are now at a record high from operational surpluses and fees have remained at a competitive level.

Since his election, he has consistently supported the School through his attendance at specific functions and events, including theatrical performances and sporting activities. Furthermore, he has always been on hand to assist the Headmaster in promoting the School and encouraging support for fundraising activities.

Finally the Governors wish to thank him for his generous hospitality during his years of office and to convey to him, their good wishes for his future health and happiness.

Mr Dove will remain a Governor and will, in fact, be Deputy Chairman for the next twelve months. We at CLS would also like to add our thanks and appreciation for all his hard work over the years and look forward to his continued support of the School.

The new Chairman, elected at the meeting was Revd Stephen Haines. The Board has four new Members: Mr William Hunt, Mr Edward Lord, Mr Ian Seaton and Dr Giles Shilson. In addition, two ex-officio Members, Deputy John Bennett and Ms Sylvia Moys, will serve the Board in their capacity as Chairmen of the two other City Schools.

**G S Griffin**

**Second Master**

## REVIEWS

# TRANSFORMERS: REVENGE OF THE FALLEN (12A)

Prepare yourself for way more explosions, action, and killer robots who want to take over the world and destroy the sun in this action-packed sequel. In this film, protagonist Sam Witwicky (Shia LaBeouf) finds a shard of the AllSpark which yet again sends him into another rollercoaster ride. Now the Decepticons, led by Megatron (who has been revived) threaten to



destroy the human race, and the arrival of The Fallen, Megatron's master, makes things harder. Now Sam must battle against this threat with the Autobots.

With breathtaking CGI, a brilliant soundtrack, and excellent sound effects, the action-obsessed director Michael Bay manages to pull off this sci-fi romp. I really enjoyed some of

the robots, and the Devastator, a colossal combination of several robots, was one of the greatest achievements in visual effects. The real *heart* of this film is in the humour, added by Sam's girlfriend Mikaela Banes (Megan Fox) and some witty catchphrases by robots. However on the downside, the human acting is not that great. The voiceovers provided by the robots are quite good, but the Transformers always upstage the humans. The sound effects may also startle some viewers, as they are quite loud and boisterous, and the plot was still pretty dumb, with several similarities to the first film, and a number of additional deficiencies. The film was also two and a half hours long, which was not a *bad* thing for me – I was awake for every second of this film! – but practically the only things keeping me awake were the loud sounds.

*Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen* is loud, boisterous, and would be every parent's nightmare, if not for the humour. Tis sequel, like its predecessor, should win the Oscar for *Best Visual Effects* and *Sound Effects*. This film is pure, dumb, implausible fun, better than the first film.

Ashman Misra 2B

## ACCELERANDO

by Charles Stross

In this awesome portrayal of accelerating human progress, Charles Stross explains to the reader the concept of a *singularity*, a moment when technological development increases exponentially until it reaches an almost infinite rate of change. Essentially the idea is that as technology improves it will

eventually become possible to replace neural synapses with electronic ones. In other words, computer implants can be used to amplify intelligence. As people become cleverer, technology improves faster and even better implants make people even cleverer. This vicious cycle results in the aforementioned singularity. According to the book all this is inevitable, and happens to all intelligent life eventually.

The book tells us about all this from the point of view of the Mancx family. There is not a lot of plot - in fact it is the quintessential science fiction story in that way in that, unlike other fiction genres, this book is not art; it has the specific purpose of communicating ideas to the reader, which Charles Stross does very well indeed - by the time you've finished reading it you'll be convinced the singularity *is* inevitable.

Alex Panagiotopoulos 3C

## MEDIA EDITOR?

Do you have a story to tell? Have you seen, read or heard something which will interest our readers? Why not join the team. The Citizen - be part of the story.

**CBF**

## SPORT

### CLS CRICKET

#### UNDER 12

Grove Park was the venue for the quarter final of the ESCA Cup and Forest Hill were the opposition for an in-form under 12 team. Following an extended session in the nets that morning, City were confident of putting in a good performance.

After losing the toss, City were forced to bat first, but with a strong batting team, this did not phase the boys. Opening batsman Will Moore and Gabriel Radus looked confident, but unfortunately lost their wickets early for 1 run each following some impressive bowling from the Forest Hill captain. Rajan Sharma and Ryan Kochberg came in to bat next and started an admirable partnership of 81. Rajan showed his ability and confidence with the bat scoring 55 runs off 43 balls including one huge four which bounced inches in front of the boundary. Ryan continued his excellent season by scoring 25 and captain James Chataway came in to see the innings out. City finished with 105-4.

City's bowling attack started sluggishly, with a gale force wind blowing across the wicket, the ball was swinging everywhere. However, after making a few adjustments to their bowling, the wickets started to fall. Raphael Grant led the way taking the first wicket and Ryan Kochberg followed suit taking two wickets in the next over. Raphael responded by taking another in the following over and a City were looking dominant, restricting the opposition to 12 for 4. Raphael and Rajan took a wicket each before Forest Hill started to rally. Some

impressive batting from their captain frustrated City's bowlers and with four overs left Forest Hill needed 32 to win. However, the events of the next over secured the victory for City. Oscar Mahony came back in to bowl and took two wickets including the key wicket of the Forest Hill captain. Forest Hill finished with 86-9 and City can look forward to the ESCA Cup semi-final next week.

#### CEA

#### UNDER 14

On the 15<sup>th</sup> of July the CLS year 9 cricket team travelled to Alleyn's for their game in the group stages in the Trinity Schools Cup. There was a real tension as Alleyn's were a fierce opposition. City lost the toss and went out to bat first. The innings did not start well as CLS lost 3 wickets for just 31 runs. This continued as City lost another 2 for only 6 runs. Good batting from Arthur Lewis and Tim Whiterow resulted in them scoring a partnership of 41 and this combined with the tail end that scored 23, left CLS on a good score of 112 for 8 wickets.

When the team came out on to the field they had positive spirits because of a solid batting performance on a hard pitch. The opposition couldn't match the CLS bowling and they soon lost wickets. A great start from Jack Farkas and Ethan Ezra made the score 29 for 4 wickets. Along with two run outs it was a great score for the bowling team as they had lost 6 wickets for only 45 runs. Ali Napier put in a great bowling performance, taking an amazing 4 wickets for only 8 runs in less than two overs. This sealed the victory for CLS as Alleyn's were bowled out for just 79. City are

moving on to the next round and hopefully the finals.

#### Tim Whiterow 3B

The Under 14's match last Thursday against Ernest Bevan was, in all fairness, brief! Fielding first, opener Ethan Ezra and I dismissed the opening four. Ethan's spell included a wicket, run-out, maiden and a broken bail accompanied by two wickets, a maiden and a wicket maiden by me. In the following three and a half overs a total of 9 runs were made, only three of which were from Kyle Pittman taking 5 for 3. His hat-trick sent off 7, 8 and 9, including a stumping by Arthur Lewis, quickly followed by 10 and 11. The opposition were all out for 31.

An easy target to reach for the, so far undefeated U14, but it was a shaky start as Ali Napier was run out and Oscar Emmanuel bowled out. However, David Yates put an end to any doubts about the CLS victory, smashing 27 not-out off 12 balls, including 6 fours accompanied by Kyle's 4 not-out.

A very convincing win, mainly due to very solid bowling and fielding, putting captain Oscar Emmanuel and his side firmly into the cup semi-finals.

#### Jack Farkas 3M

### SPORTS EDITOR?

Do you know football, or cricket, or Rugby or Tennis? The Journalists are required to cover sports both weird and wonderful. Come along to the team meetings on Fridays. The Citizen - be part of the story.

**CBF**

## COUNTY CRICKET

The group stages of this year's Twenty20 are drawing to a close, and the post-mortem analyses will have already started in the backrooms of Lords. Middlesex have three fixtures this weekend, the first tonight against Essex under the new floodlights at the Home of Cricket, knowing that they have no chance of progressing to defend their crown. Deep within the Allen Stand and the majestic pavilion, the question is put: "Why?"

One possible reason is the absence of Indian spinner Murali Kartik, who missed the first instalment of group matches as they started so early to accommodate the World Twenty20. Last year, Kartik and off-spinner (now captain) Shaun Udal were able to straitjacket batsmen in the key middle overs, restricting their potential target, or putting the brakes on a run chase.

Another factor in Middlesex's decline has been the lack of accomplished Twenty20 batsmen. Both Shah and Morgan have been unavailable due to international duties, and Ed Joyce left in the close season for pastures new at Sussex. Unfortunately, the players drafted in to fill this breach have not had the explosive power to wreak the kind of havoc that an in-from Napier or Goodwin could. Many of these players, such as Godleman and Compton, are more than competent four day players, but are unable to accelerate fast enough.

What Middlesex would give to be in their London rival's position. Surrey, at the time of going to press, could still potentially qualify, and their two matches this weekend (Middlesex at home before travelling to Beckenham to face Kent) could be absolutely crucial if they are to progress to the knockout stages. Hothead South African Andre Nel could be a vital part of Surrey's game plan; equally accomplished keeping things tight at the start of an innings and firing in yorkers at the death, a good performance from the overseas player could turn a game in Surrey's favour.

Once the group stages are complete, county cricketers will start thinking about the Championship again. Middlesex, having just suffered a humiliating nine-wicket defeat to

Gloucestershire, are languishing at second-bottom in Division 2, ahead of Leicestershire by thirteen points. Meanwhile, Surrey are faring well in second place, although they have played one more game than Middlesex. Frustrated in their previous Championship match by a massive stand of 341 between Dippenaar and Ackerman, they could only manage a draw against Leicestershire, and are still 22 points behind leaders Gloucestershire. The two London clubs play on Tuesday at Lords, and Middlesex will have to improve on their Twenty20 form if they are to annoy old dancing boy Mark Ramprakash (pictured). He moved across the river nine years ago, but for many at Lords, the wounds have not yet healed.

**Joseph Gamse 4B**  
**Sports Correspondent**

