



RESULTS PAR EXCELLENCE

This year, The Cambridge School students fared exceptionally well at the CIE Examinations (May – June 2011), with thirty A*s and thirty-three As at the O level, and Raunaq Bagchi achieving straight As at the A2 level.

The academically top eight students received generous Scholarships granted by the School. These students all agreed that the CIE Board is favorable and that the syllabus encourages application of thought instead of a “learn by rote” formula. It encourages independent thinking and develops analytical skills amongst the students. The course enable the students to balance their academic pursuits with various extracurricular activities, some which they pursuit seriously, and some which are a leisurely pastime.



Rachel, 16 years, seconds the above fact. With two A*s, one A and one B on her O level report card, she intends to do a business degree and eventually establish a social and altruistic business. Meanwhile, she works hard at academics, indulges in baking, cooking and helping at the crèche her parents run. She studied for two hours every day, and had put in four to six hours daily before the exams.

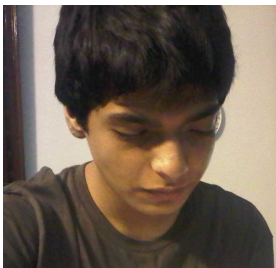
Similarly, Parikshit and Sarjeel both put in eight to ten hours before exams, and diligently studied for at least three hours every day.



Sarjeel, with three As, likes to play football, and listens to music every day. He found himself motivated by the fact that the CIE syllabus required him to think and reason. He feels that the reason behind the students' success is the relationship between the teachers and the students. Sarjeel wants to be a lawyer later in life.



Parikshit, 16, with five A*s and seven As, also plays football regularly, and unwinds by playing with his dogs. He is a voracious reader and a huge movie buff. He wants to study medicine and be a neurologist later on. He believes that one should learn, instead of just studying, and the Syllabus being such that it involved much reflective thinking. He added fondly, that TCS is like a "home away from home."



Shiv, with five A*s and two As still found time to practice on his violin, and do well in his Music Examinations. He learns French, too. He would want to study Medicine and go on to be an Oncologist. He feels that apart from the fact that the TCS teachers are excellent, the CIE course structure allows space for thought, develops analytical skills, develops over all learning processes by motivating one to study at their own pace.



Young Eun finds it enough to put in an hour's study daily, though she studies about three hours a day before exams. She appreciates that the CIE system allows a wider choice of subjects and found that TCS offers sound teaching. With 3As at the O Level, she plays the violin



too, and wants to specialise in Education. She realises that what matter is not the amount of time spent, but the concentration level and the effort while studying.



Raunaq, who had five As in the A2 Level, has always been under the CIE system, finds that this syllabus and way of studying encouraging independent thinking. He would study about 4 hours a day before the examinations, and would regularly play table tennis, and enjoys painting and drawing. He wants to specialize in Energy Crisis later. Raunaq appreciates the teacher-student relationship that is developed and nurtured right from Middle School at TCS.



Jin Woo and Hyun Jeong, 17 and 16 respectively, both study about 3- 4 hours on an average, and watches movies in their free time. Ayunjeong finds that the CIE syllabus improves thinking skills, and Jinwoo adds, that the course gives more importance to understanding a concept, rather than learning it.

Rajeshwari Majumdar appreciates all the help that the teachers offered. She categorically states that her three As would have not been possible if “not for the great teachers she had.” She would like to study journalism later. She has one important message for the students- “even if you struggle, keep trying... you shall get there eventually.”

The Cambridge Times congratulates all the students, and wishes them the very best for the future.