

C.G.S. Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Students,
Welcome to the academic year 2009 / 10! For those of you who are new to CGS, I extend a warm welcome to the CGS family, particularly to our Playgroup batch - the class of 2024!! I thank you for choosing CGS and for trusting us with the education of your child; it is not a responsibility we take lightly. In the months and years to come you will become familiar with the CGS culture and hopefully contribute in your own way towards moving it forward. For returning parents and students, I thank you for all the support and affection you have shown us over the years. As always we commence the year with news of our 'O', 'AS' and 'A2' level results. The classes now completing their 'O' and 'A' levels are now true products of the CGS machine. Many started their school life 11, 12 or even 13 years ago as toddlers. Today they stand tall and proud; and have crossed this important milestone, their first public examination. I congratulate them for their excellent performance, tackling a larger subject load than their predecessors, yet maintaining the high standards set by their seniors. We have three students who achieved 10 A's in 'O' Levels: a new record for CGS. We also had a student with 9 A's and 13 with 8 A's each! Our 'AS' / 'A' Level batches performed equally well; Jyotirmoy attained 5 A's at A levels (another CGS record) and 14 others getting 3 A's or more! In 2008 / 2009 CGS Alumni conducted a school-wide survey that provided us with an 'insiders' view of problems faced by parents and students. While we were not able to find instant solutions to all issues raised, at least it made us more aware of 'your side of the story', giving you an opportunity to voice your concerns. Several changes have been implemented keeping in mind all the feedback you provided. In particular parents expressed concern about falling academic standards in some subjects in the Middle School. We have made a note of this and are working on strategies to ensure everything is done to address any gaps. Some of these include, spoken English classes and an emphasis on reading, vocabulary and listening skills.

2009 / 2010 promises to be a challenging year at all levels. The introduction of CGS:NC in January 2010 will make CGS accessible to many who are keen to follow the National Curriculum in an English medium context. The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme has been introduced and will be mandatory for all Upper School students. Special needs counselling which was introduced last year to assess special learning needs for Lower School students will this year focus on Middle School students who face learning challenges. Teaching through multi-media which was implemented in the Upper School four years ago, will now be introduced in the Middle School. Power Point presentations have been prepared in all science subjects to enhance the learning experience for students in classes 5, 6 and 7. As always, we have a jam-packed schedule of academic and extra-curricular events planned throughout 2009 / 2010. In August we completed the Upper School award ceremony for last year's achievers. October will be a busy month. A CGS team will be attending the Round Square International Conference in Mayo School, India. The Career Counselling Programme is also scheduled in early-October. Finally, late in the month, we are planning our Art Exhibition to show-case the wealth of talent at CGS. This year we have invited parents to submit their work as well. The Annual Drama Festival (ADF) rehearsals and programmes will occupy most of November and half of December. This year's Drama Festival will focus on exploring the theme '**Indigenous Tribes**'. We hope that this theme will further our knowledge of peoples around the world. Annual Athletics and Exams will fill up the January weeks and during February we will commemorate our martyrs on Ekushey. In April, as always, we will celebrate the Bengali New Year with our Annual Charity Carnival. All of May and the first week of June will be spent in preparing and sitting exams at all levels. Finally, the year-ending ceremonies of Upper Graduation, Middle Promotion and Lower Attainment will be held in June .

In addition, to the events listed here we will continue study tours, outings, mufti days, fun events, ECA's and sporting events throughout weekday afternoons and some weekends. We will also participate in several overseas RS Conferences and national sporting tournaments.

CGS has introduced new layers of leadership at the senior management level to ensure no details get overlooked and we remain focussed on improving in all areas. A warm welcome to all the new administrators and teaching staff who have joined CGS this month.

We have set up a private email address, accessible only to the directors at:

chittagonggrammarschool@hotmail.com

Please do email us any queries / suggestions / complaints. Your comments will remain confidential but do remember to include your name and your child's ID.

Congratulations to our 'O', 'AS' and 'A' level students who have raised the bar for future batches! Our excellent team of teachers have worked hard behind-the-scenes to achieve these, and I thank them all for their dedication and relentless perseverance.


I am delighted to share with you the news that Round Square International has invited me to the join the Board of Directors of RS. King Constantine of Greece called me in late June to invite me to join the Board.

Finally, I thank the CGS administrative and security staff for the smooth running of the school, and the lower staff for keeping our environment clean and well-maintained. And last but not least, I thank our dynamic Heads, Munira Chowdhury, Farida Chowdhury and Mahine Khan for leading from the front, for building and supporting teams that continue to create excellence.

I look forward to your continued support and good wishes to face the new academic year, 2009 / 2010.

On behalf of all three directors, Bilquis Dada, Farhat Khan and myself, I wish you all a rewarding school year!

With warmest regards,


Shereen Ispahani

'O' LEVEL RESULTS 2009

The June 2009 'O' Level results had an overall pass rate of 99.5% up from last year's 98% and an A/B ratio of 94%.

Nabeela, Sraboni and Protik each achieved 10 A's. While **Ashib** got 9 A's. Other results include:

Class 10: 35 students out of 45 got 5 A's or more; a total of 77% up from last years 56%!

5 A's: **Gurvir, Umma, Sharmin, Syed, Jennifer, Abuwala.**

6 A's: **Iftexharul, Sakkaf, Pritam, Nafis, Zahra.**

7 A's: **Tasnima, Tazwaar, Abeed, Abu, Sami, Summaiya, Anika.**

8 A's: **Tavinda, Shadman, Shreya, Areeza, Azima, Animesh, Aysha, Nakib, Arjit, Ramisa, Sadnan, Zubaida, Tahmeed.**

Class 9 students who appear for between 2 and 4 subjects, did well in their first set of 'O' Levels. They achieved a 94% A/B grades and 74% A grades!

Class 9 Best Results:

2 A's: **Fariha, Fahmida, Samiha, Abrar, Saiful, Akash, Sabrin, Raihan, Tauqeer, Maliha, Mashfique, Tasfia, Anika, Monica, Deepannita, Sunny, Saifur, Farheena.**

3 A's: **Asrar, Farhad, Rabib, Rantissa, Raihanatul, Shovan, Sanjana, Hasnat, Shatadru, Tashfia, Zinia.**

4 A's: **Erina, Ismail.**

'A' LEVEL RESULTS 2009

34 students appeared for 'AS' exams while 25 appeared for the 'A2' exams. The overall A/B ratio was 67%.

Class 11 Best Results:

2 A's: **Sahela, Monzoor, Aroni, Fahmida.**

3 A's: **Halima, Amara, Tithi, Sajid, Wakif, Asrafal, Mahmudul.**

4 A's: **Sarwar, Rajat.**

Class 12 Best Results:

2 A's: **Faiza, Tahsinul, Rainul, Asif, Surupa.**

3 A's: **Amith.**

4 A's: **Mohinul, Ridwanul, Irfan, Abrar.**

5 A's: **Jyotirmoy.**

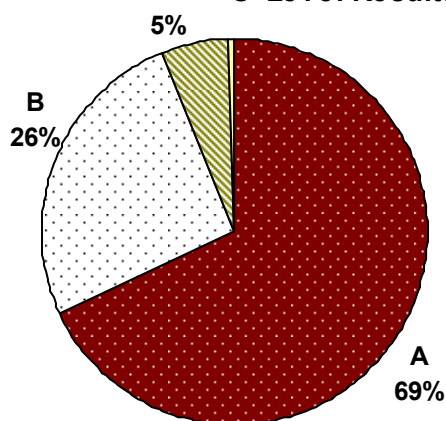
The overall grades presented below.

Congratulations to all the CGS teachers and parents for their hard work through the years to help students reach such high standards.

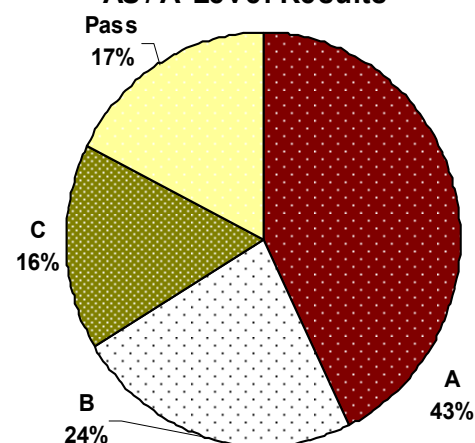
ART COMPETITION

An Art Competition is being held to design the invitation card for this years ADF [Annual Drama Festival]. The theme '**Indigenous Tribes**' must be depicted on a minimum A4 sized paper in full colour. Art teachers will shortlist 'Commended' or 'Highly Commended' nominations from each class. The best entries will be chosen from these and used for the ADF invitation and other school invitations. All CGS students, teachers and parents are eligible to enter and all entries must be in by 10th September. Best entries selected from each category will be displayed in the Art Exhibition scheduled for late October. There will also be a side-by-side section, where student and parent work is displayed together!

C 'O' Level Results



'AS'/'A' Level Results



Class 8 Notes: August / September 2009 Supplement
Welcome Newcomers to CGS: Trina, Avindri, Adeeb and Habib
Test Dates: August / September 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 Commerce	31 English Statistics	1 Maths French	2 Physics P. Maths	3 Economics	4	5
6 Accounting Art	7 B. Studies Chemistry	8 Biology Bengali	9 H. Biology	10 BD. Studies (Geo), IT	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18 Lailatul Quadr*	19
20	21 Eid-ul-Fitr*	22	23	24	25	26
27 Durga Puja	28 Durga Puja	29 Bengali Statistics	30			