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**MAIN PICTURE:** *Laura McLean as Abigail Williams leads the girls accused of witchcraft in the courtroom. INSET:* *Ben Scarles as John Proctor*

used *The Crucible* to reflect events of the 1950s when Senator Joseph McCarthy led a move to root out communist sympathisers in the United States. The cocktail of hysteria, paranoia and jealousy is disturbingly familiar and equally relevant to modern day life.

Getting Miller's political message over depends on the skill of the actors and the Epsom cast did not disappoint. Ben Scarles played a fiery and dynamic John Proctor, ably supported by the women he loved, Clio O'Sullivan as the reserved Elizabeth Proctor and Laura McLean as Abigail Williams. The chemistry between these three actors was outstanding and incredibly believable.

Other noteworthy performances were Susie Blunt's Mary Warren, Mark Tampin's Reverend Hale and Liam Anderson's Parris. Each of the characters had their own story to tell, each one being as important as the other in making the story come together.

This challenging play, which attracted large audiences on all three nights, also benefitted from the hard work of the backstage team of technicians, lighting, wardrobe and make-up artists, who created a realistic set that reflected the period perfectly.

"Organising a large cast around a busy schedule has been challenging, but it has been worth it to share the experience with such talented young pupils and a great heavyweight of American theatre," said Katie Sinnett.

## Brilliant theatre!

Talented cast take centre stage



**T**his term's school play saw a talented cast tackle Arthur Miller's *The Crucible* with confidence and imagination over three nights of theatrical entertainment in Big School. Under the direction of maths teacher Katie Sinnett, who brilliantly produced her first school play, some 20 College thespians delivered a compelling account of human fear, frailty and cold ambition.

Based on the witch trials that took place in Salem, Massachusetts, in 1692, Miller

A Christmas Toy Service held at the end of term saw the College Community give its overwhelming support to Growbaby, a local charity that offers help to underprivileged families. This year, all 12 Houses, teaching and support staff sponsored the Kingston-based charity by providing wrapped gifts for some 620 needy children for whom many of these might be their only Christmas presents. For the past few years the College has supported Growbaby's Christmas appeal, providing 150 presents in 2005, 400 in 2006, 500 in 2007 and a record number again this year. Growbaby, started by Nony Farrelly, an Epsom parent, through her church has grown over the years to match the needs of local families. It aims to provide good quality, new and second-hand baby clothes and equipment, free of charge, to anyone who needs it.



# The future looks bright for new partnership



**ABOVE:** Schools Minister Jim Knight talks to students



**LEFT:** Students from Epsom and Lambeth took part in a dance masterclass

Some 50 students from Lambeth Academy visited the College this term for the official launch of a partnership between the two schools.

Epsom has become the latest independent school to participate in the Government's flagship Academy Programme by joining forces with the South London-based Academy.

A key element of the partnership is to help develop Lambeth Academy's new 6th form in the areas of specialist academic study, particularly medicine, as well as to widen the educational experience of Epsom College's pupils.

Schools Minister Jim Knight, who attended the launch, gave his total support to the Academies Programme and spoke of the benefits for both schools.

Launch day was attended by a number of dignitaries, including former Conservative Education Minister and chair of Lambeth Academy sponsor ULT, Dame Angela Rumbold, Sir Ewan

Harper, Chief Executive of ULT, and author John O'Farrell, Chairman of the local governing body of Lambeth Academy.

Following lunch in Main Hall, Epsom and Lambeth students got to know each other by taking part in a number of joint activities.

Cadets from the Epsom CCF together with cadets from the Academy's ACF took part in a programme involving the College's confidence course, command task/initiative test challenge and rifle shooting.

A group of boys from both schools took part in a basketball training session with England U18 coach and television presenter André Alleyne, while the girls enjoyed a dance masterclass with Kelly Rowden, an experienced film and television artist.

To round off the day, the College's Downs Singers teamed up with Lambeth's LA Voices to perform at an informal concert for staff and guests.

## STUDENTS ON THE US ELECTION TRAIL

An inaugural History and Politics Department visit to Washington over half term saw 25 students and four staff soak up the sights and atmosphere of the US capital just days before the historic election of Barack Obama as President of the USA.

The trip, organised by teacher Andy Bustard, began with a guided tour of Capitol Hill (Congress), including the House of Representatives where the President makes his State of the Union address each year.

This was followed by a walk around six of Washington's finest monuments dedicated to great Americans from years past. These included the Washington Monument, the Lincoln Memorial, where Martin Luther King made his famous "I Have a Dream" speech in 1963, the Jefferson and Roosevelt Memorials, along with moving monuments to the dead of the Vietnam and Korean wars.

The group also visited the Supreme Court, Arlington Cemetery, home to the military dead and including the grave of John F Kennedy, and finally the White House, where the group observed outgoing President George W Bush exiting the West Wing and flying off in the presidential helicopter.



## High standard at Dodd Speaking Competition

This year's 6th Form Dodd Speaking Competition produced an extremely high standard with 13 students speaking eloquently on a wide range of subjects.

The popular competition, organised by Head of English Amanda Brookfield, saw some powerful presentations on topics ranging from corruption in cricket and the Large Hadron Collider, through social degeneration and

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## A taste of CHINA



The College has taken a further step forward in its language teaching by introducing a “taster” course in Mandarin for all M4 pupils. Students will attend a total of six 50-minute

lessons on a rota basis and the course is proving very popular.

Teacher Zhie (Jo) Liu uses a wide range of IT-based activities to promote pupils’ knowledge of the language. The course provides: an introduction to basic conversational phrases and vocabulary items, such as numbers, currency, food and members of the family; essential elements of reading and writing Chinese characters; and a clear introduction to *pinyin* – the way in which characters can be represented in English letters.

Mrs Liu also provides a wealth of cultural information through DVDs, including documentaries on food and historical items from the Great Wall to the 2008 Olympics.

Being a native of Shenyang, she is ideally placed not only to give authentic Mandarin pronunciation, which is very important at the early stage, but also to answer pupils’ questions on everyday life in modern China.

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## Never mind the weather!

During half term, a group of U4 and 5th form GCSE Spanish students jetted off to Spain to brush up on their language skills.

A whistle stop visit to Madrid gave the group the chance to explore the Prado museum and the Gran Retiro park, as well as Real Madrid’s Bernabeu stadium to buy souvenirs.

The trip, organised by teacher Helen Keevil, saw the students head off to the mountains where they spent the rest of their one week stay in the Gredos Centre in the mountains near Avila.

During the trip, the group experienced some extreme weather conditions. A visit to the Parque Multaventura saw them mountain biking and tree climbing in temperatures of 22 degC, but the next day they woke up to five centimetres of snow and temperatures of -5degC!

The cold weather did not prevent them from exploring the countryside around Gredos on horseback. They also did a course in Spanish cooking, all the while practising their Spanish and learning some of the local dialect.

A final visit to Salamanca provided everyone with some much needed retail therapy.



airbrushing to the quirks and oddities of language.

Such was the competition this year that two students were declared joint winners – Lawrence Ching (U6th), who won the competition outright last year, speaking convincingly and wittily about the future of Web 2.0, and L6th former Juliet Kirby, who gave an impassioned plea for the media to report more responsibly.

Adjudicator George Pincus, chairman of the Board of Governors, was highly impressed with the quality of the speeches and paid tribute to the efforts and achievements of the students.



Juliet Kirby with Lawrence Ching, joint winners of the 6th Form Dodd Speaking Competition

## NEWS BRIEFS

U6th form economics student JaeHo Chung took second place in the prestigious 2008 IEA (Institute of Economic Affairs) student essay competition with a composition entitled *How, where and why do markets fail and what is the answer?* Nicola Morrow, Head of Economics and Business Studies, described the standard of JaeHo’s essay as being on a par with undergraduate work and said his paper gave an informative and imaginative discussion on why markets don’t always work.

In competition with hundreds of other applicants, L6th form student Rosie



Rosie Andrews

Andrews has won a top army scholarship. Rosie’s success is a tremendous achievement in a national competition from which only the very best are awarded a reserved place at the Royal

Military Academy, Sandhurst. Rosie decided she wanted to pursue a career in the army following talks with the Army Careers Officer, who regularly visits Epsom. In addition to the scholarship, awarded by the Army Selection Board, Rosie will receive a financial award whilst at school and an invitation to take part in two one-week adventure training courses during the school holidays.

More than 70 students from local schools, who have applied for a place at Oxford or Cambridge Universities, attended the Epsom College Oxbridge Forum on Sunday 9th November. The annual event, organised and hosted by the College with support from staff at Kingston Grammar School, was attended by students from Rosebery, Glyn, Blenheim, The Beacon, Surbiton High and Kingston Grammar, as well as 20 from the College.

Duncan Way (Head of House Rn 2007-8) has won a scholarship at Southampton University School of Management for his outstanding performance at A level. Duncan was one of the highest achieving UK/EU students to enter Southampton this year. In the U6th form at Epsom, Duncan took A levels in Business Studies, English Literature, History and DT.

# Looking after our every need

Press Officer Corinne Munford visits the College's Medical Centre



It might seem a bit lily livered, but I hate injections and the thought of going to the College's Medical Centre for the first time for my winter flu jab filled me with dread.

But I needn't have been apprehensive; there was a warm welcome from senior sister Linda Hendry, who efficiently and painlessly administered the feared injection.

During the winter months, the College's registered nurses are extremely busy, with the beginning of the Lent term always seeing a spate of colds, coughs and sickness bugs. As part of the

Flu Committee's brief, everyone at the College is encouraged to have the flu vaccination to offer maximum protection against this most common of viruses.

Despite being very busy, Linda, who has been nursing at the College for the past seven years, offered to show me around the impressive facilities. Having moved from the top floor of Granville in 2003, the Medical Centre is now housed in

the Newsom block and is a modern, well-equipped facility designed to cater for the medical needs of all members of the College community.

A nursing team of six provides 24 hour cover, seven days a week during term time, with three daily surgeries held Monday to Saturday and an on-call service at all other times. The Centre also offers boarding pupils the opportunity to see a GP from the local Cottage Hospital at surgeries held every morning, except Sundays, as well as an independent counsellor and a physiotherapist. "We like to think that we can help with anything a teenager might throw at us. The health and welfare of the students is our first concern," Linda said.

The nurses offer treatment, confidential advice and support to all pupils who become ill or who are injured while at school, enabling them to maintain their physical and emotional wellbeing.

Any illness or injury considered to require further investigation is referred to Epsom Hospital.

In addition to a number of well equipped treatment rooms, there are beds for some 11 patients divided between small, comfortable rooms, each with a television and some with en-suite facilities. In a worst case scenario, the centre could accommodate up to 20 patients confined to bed.

All this is a far cry from the spartan conditions of the College Sanatorium, as it was previously called. It may come as a surprise to know that what is now Fayrer House was built in 1931 as a state-of-the-art Sanatorium for pupils and masters. Located away from the hub of the main site to provide isolation and quiet, it included several eight-bedded wards, an X-ray room, a small operating theatre where minor operations were carried out, a dispensary, a pathology lab and offices. There was accommodation for a matron, two sisters and a full time nursing staff.

● Full details of surgery hours at the Medical Centre and other information are available on the College website at [www.epsomcollege.org.uk](http://www.epsomcollege.org.uk)

**CLOCKWISE, FROM TOP LEFT:** Senior sister Linda Hendry; the spartan conditions of the old sanatorium were a world away from today's modern facilities; minor sports injuries are dealt with quickly and efficiently by the experienced nursing staff



"We like to think that we can help with anything a teenager might throw at us." 

# TV star judges choral competition



**S**uzi Digby, OBE, a judge on BBC One's *Last Choir Standing*, was a special guest and adjudicator at the Epsom College Inter-House Choral Competition this term.

The annual event, which saw some outstanding performances, was attended by a record number of parents and friends and has become a highlight in the school calendar.

Crawfurd House were on top form this year, taking both the Choral Competition Trophy for the overall winning House and the Murray Young Cup for the winning Unison. Their performance of *Walking on Sunshine* in the Unison competition earned them rapturous applause from the audience.

The Jeremy Trott Cup for the winning solo went to Anthony McGhee (Holman) with a superb rendition of *It's Hard to Speak My Heart*, while Granville took the Hugh Carson Cup for the Part Song singing *Dreaming of You*.

Suzi Digby, who was uniquely qualified to judge this year's



competition, was impressed with the very high standards set. An international choral director and conductor, she founded the Voices Foundation in 1993 and the chamber choir Voce in 2003. She received the OBE in 2007 for services to music education.

**TOP TO BOTTOM:** Suzi Digby awarded the prizes to College students; Granville performing their winning Part Song; Crawfurd House were the overall winners

## In memory of fallen soldiers



At the eleventh hour on the eleventh day of the eleventh month students, staff and guests at Epsom College paid tribute to those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice in the service of their country.

Led by the College's Combined Cadet Force (CCF), a special Armistice Day Service in St Luke's Chapel also remembered the 318 past pupils who lost their lives serving their

country. Some 149 Old Epsomians perished in the First World War, 151 in World War II and 18 former pupils have died in other conflicts throughout the world.

This year's service, conducted by Senior College Chaplain Fr Paul Thompson, took place on the 90th anniversary of the ending of World War 1. The guest Preacher was the Archdeacon of Surrey, the Venerable Stuart Beake.

The *Last Post* was played by trumpeter Tim Cobb at the start of the two minute silence. During the service, Headmaster Stephen Borthwick laid a wreath as the 70-strong Chapel Choir, which led the hymns, gave a beautiful rendition of Vaughan Williams's anthem, *Valiant for Truth*.

Following the service, the congregation departed to the strains of the bagpipes played by the school piper, maths teacher Graham Kennedy.

## NEWS BRIEFS

••• An impressive total of 38 U4 students have had their literary work selected for publication in a creative book writing series entitled *Spark the Imagination – Sussex and Surrey*. Entered for the competition by English teacher Mark Zacharias, the students were asked to write a mini-saga on any theme that inspired them. The work was then selected for publication based on perception, imagination, expression, good use of language and completing the difficult task of writing an effective story in fifty words or less. *Spark the Imagination* is scheduled for publication during December, after which prizes will be awarded to the best three schools across the series.

••• A group of 21 CCF cadets spent a week at Fremington Army Camp near Barnstaple in Devon during half term. This annual trip is designed as a training/bonding exercise for L6th and U6th form NCOs. Activities during the week included sea surfing, sea kayaking, climbing, abseiling, go-karting, gliding, a flight on a Sea King helicopter and a trip to Lundy Island.

••• A group of 5th form GCSE students travelled to London recently to visit Regent's Park Mosque and some Christian



places of worship.

As part of their GCSE Religious Studies course, the students have been

studying Islam and were privileged to have a tour of the world famous Mosque. The group also visited both Westminster Abbey and Westminster Cathedral to learn about two major denominations in Christianity. At the Abbey, pupils explored Poet's Corner and visited the Grave of the Unnamed Soldier. In Westminster Cathedral, they were taken on a guided tour to point out the difference between a Roman Catholic and Anglican place of worship.

# Saved by a Whisker!



Having been the victim of a car accident after years of living rough on the streets of London, Amy the cat had used up most of her nine lives.

But her life changed when

she was rescued by College biology teacher Gabbie Jerrit.

A near fatal road accident left Amy close to death and she was taken by paramedics to the north London RSPCA

Harmsworth Animal Hospital, which featured in the famous BBC series, *Animal Rescue*.

Amy's injuries were so bad that she had to have a back leg amputated, but following weeks of care she was put forward for rehoming. As luck would have it, a cousin of Gabbie's worked at the Harmsworth and asked if she might be interested in giving Amy a home.

On the day she went to collect Amy, TV star Rolf Harris was filming at the hospital and took the time to chat to her and wish her luck in caring for the new member of the Jerrit family.

Amy, who is believed to be around 10 years old, settled well into her new life and is now a signed-up member of

the College's small animal community. Despite only having three legs, she is as agile as any other cat and a good hunter, helping to keep the College's field mouse population under control.

"Amy has a great character, she's independent but good with our two year old son Davey and devoted to my husband Ben," said Gabbie.

The Jerrits are ardent supporters of rehoming centres like the Harmsworth. As Gabbie says, "They give abandoned animals like Amy a second chance and that has to be a good thing."



Gabbie Jerrit with son Davey, husband Ben and Amy the cat

## NEWS FROM THE COMMON ROOM



**Old Epsomian Tom Doran (Fa 1997-2002)** recently graduated with a BSc in Sports Science from St Mary's College, Twickenham, and has joined the College for 12 months as a Postgraduate Gap Student. Tom, who plays rugby for National League One team Esher, will be helping with PE teaching and boys' games and will coach next term's rugby 7s and hockey squads. He has also played rugby for England U18s, England Universities and English Counties.

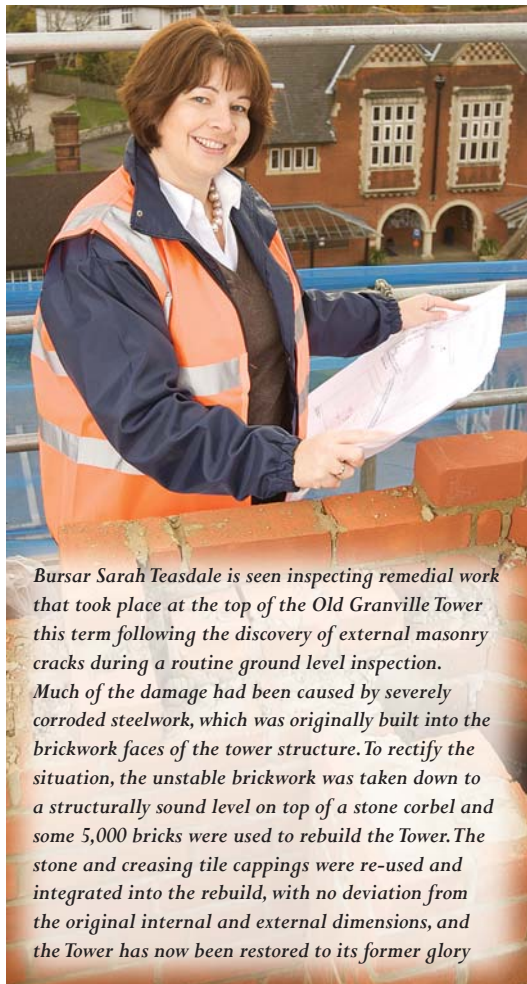


Tom Doran in his Esher rugby kit

**College Sports Coach Dr Bob Chappell** recently presented a paper entitled *Sport and Peace/Social (In)Justice: A Case Study of Sport in Kenya, East Africa to the North American Society for the Sociology of Sport in Denver, Colorado*. His next international assignment is at the Beijing Sport University, Beijing, China, in December where he will be working as a joint editor on a book on international sport. Bob became an Honorary Fellow of Brunel University at a ceremony at the university this term.

**Dr Vaishali Patel** has joined the College as a teacher of Biology and Chemistry following a period at the Ashcombe School in Dorking. She is a tutor in Robinson House.

**Debbie Seager**, who has a PGCE in Modern Languages from Nottingham University, is covering for Sylvie Yvon-Case during her maternity leave. Debbie has recently been teaching at an International school in Madrid, and, as well as teaching Modern Languages, she will be a tutor in Raven House.



Bursar Sarah Teasdale is seen inspecting remedial work that took place at the top of the Old Granville Tower this term following the discovery of external masonry cracks during a routine ground level inspection. Much of the damage had been caused by severely corroded steelwork, which was originally built into the brickwork faces of the tower structure. To rectify the situation, the unstable brickwork was taken down to a structurally sound level on top of a stone corbel and some 5,000 bricks were used to rebuild the Tower. The stone and creasing tile cappings were re-used and integrated into the rebuild, with no deviation from the original internal and external dimensions, and the Tower has now been restored to its former glory



## House spirit fuels runners at annual Cross Country

Some first class performances were recorded when College athletes took part in the annual Inter-House Cross Country competition on Epsom Downs this term.

All the runners gave of their very best and competed on behalf of their Houses with commendable spirit and commitment.

The senior boys' winner Joe Toomey (Fa) and senior girls' winner Meghann Murdock (W) both set new school records, as did Harriet Skan (W) in the intermediate girls' event and Amber-Rose Billings (Cr) in the junior

girls' race. Bradley Smith (Fa) won the intermediate boys' title and George Hatfield (Fa) took the junior boys' trophy.

In terms of House placings for the boys' competition, Fayrer won both the senior and intermediate sections, with Granville taking the juniors. In the girls' competition White House won the senior section, Wilson the intermediate and Rosebery the juniors.

Overall the winning Houses for the 2008 Cross Country were Fayrer for the boys and Wilson for the girls.

## Springbok legend visits Epsom College



*Rugby legend Chester Williams with a group of players after the coaching clinic*

Rugby players from all age groups were delighted to meet Rugby World Cup winner Chester Williams when he ran two afternoon coaching clinics at Epsom College this term.

The former South African international winger, the first non-white player to represent the Springboks after the ending of the apartheid regime in 1992, won 27 caps for his country and went on to coach the South African 7s and Ugandan national teams.

The coaching clinics focused particularly on wing play and back three options, with players from the U14s and Junior Colts attending the first session and the Colts and senior sides the second. Prior to the second session, a number of students had the opportunity to question Chester about his career over lunch.

Chester was impressed with the standard of rugby at Epsom. "The players are very enthusiastic and hungry and show a lot of potential," he said.



*A new dimension has been added to the already extensive activities programme offered by the College with the introduction of horse riding. During activity time on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons, students of all abilities can join Head of English Amanda Brookfield at Wildwoods Riding Stables in Walton on the Hill and develop their riding skills. Qualified instructors from the approved stables offer classes for beginners, intermediates and advanced riders with well-trained, beautifully kept horses available for riding in the centre's sand schools.*

## SPORTS BRIEFS

••• The In-Touch Cricket Academy now has its own Blog page where you can leave your views and thoughts relating to any posted articles or images. Please register if you are interested, as the Blog will be updated regularly with cricket-based chat and discussion, particularly relating to youth cricket. To access the site go to [www.in-touchcricketacademy.co.uk](http://www.in-touchcricketacademy.co.uk) and locate the 'In-Touch Blog page' in the navigation panel on the left hand side.

••• The College's senior golf squad has continued its recent run of success with a two and a half to a half win in the HMC Foursomes Competition over St Paul's at the Royal Mid-Surrey course in Old Deer Park,

Richmond. Ladies' captain Madeleine Kuhler partnered her brother Lewis to an 8 and 6 win, with Jeremy Morgan and rookie Danny Cullen winning 3 and 2. Top pair Gareth Blease (Captain) and David Boote drew their match. Golfing enthusiasts will be interested to learn that the College is organising a trip to Spain at the start of the Easter holidays open to all ages and abilities. For further details, contact Peter Irvine, Master in charge of Golf. Email: [P-Irvine@epsomcollege.org.uk](mailto:P-Irvine@epsomcollege.org.uk)

••• U4 student Sophie Cordery won a silver medal at the 2008 IWSF Cable Wakeboard World Championships earlier this term. Competing in Anapa, Russia, a seaport on the Black Sea, Sophie finished second in the girls' event, missing out on a gold medal by just one point. Wakeboarding

is a fast growing water sport, which involves riding and performing tricks on a board pulled by a cable or motor boat.

••• Following trials at Bisham Abbey in late November, Natasha Nichols (*below*) has been selected for the U16 National Hockey Squad.



# Record breaking season for girls' hockey



The girls celebrate their success at the Christ's Hospital Tournament

The girls' 1st XI hockey team maintained an unbeaten record this season, winning all nine regular block fixture matches and two Saturday tournaments. "This has been the best performance for senior girls' hockey in the history of the College," said Director of Sport Fi Drinkall.

Following a successful tour, the term got off to a sound start with the team winning the prestigious Christ's Hospital Tournament with wins over some of the best hockey playing schools in the South East. More

tournament glory followed later in the term when the girls won the Bradfield VIs competition.

The mixture of experienced and young players in the squad, with four regular team members from the 5th form, has worked well and seen some dominant performances, the highlights of which were 10-0 victories over old rivals Eastbourne College and Christ's Hospital.

A super fit, injury free squad that gelled well together has also benefited from strong leadership by team captain Helena Mortimer, ably

supported by the exceptional skills of Natasha Nichols, who has just been selected for the U16 National Hockey Squad. A powerful midfield coupled with a fearless goalkeeper in Charlotte Ellison gave the team its winning edge. "Even when they were not firing on all cylinders, they were able to pull things together and score goals – the sign of a quality side," said Fi.

With the younger sides also showing great strength in depth, the continued success of girls' hockey at the College looks assured.

## ATHLETES ON TOP FORM



Joe Toomey, winner of the intermediate boys' race

College athletes put in some excellent performances in the Central Surrey Cross Country Championships held on Epsom Downs at the end of November, with 10 going forward to the County Championships on January 17th 2009.

Competing against runners from 12 schools, Epsom did particularly well in the senior boys' run, taking the first five places. Charles Hatfield came in first, closely followed by James Pease-Watkin in second place, Richard Trépent in third, Max Denning in fourth and Alex Billings in fifth.

The senior girls' competition also saw some positive running with Victoria Elmslie coming home in second place and Natalie Thomas close on her heels in third.

In the intermediate boys' section, Joe Toomey had a great run, coming in first against a strong field, whilst the intermediate girls' run saw Harriet Skan finish sixth and Caitlin Keep tenth.

# Top ranking for 1st XV



The 1st XV has had another highly successful season

It has been another exceptional season for the 1st XV, with a record of eight wins and two defeats narrowly failing to match the performance of the previous two seasons. For much of the term, the team has been placed highly in the Canterbury rankings, at one stage reaching fifth in Great Britain.

Highlights of the season included an away win at Tonbridge, taking away the Kent school's five year unbeaten home record, and an

outstanding performance to beat Cranleigh 24-20, which 1st team coach, Andy Wolstenholme, described as "as good a game of rugby as you could wish to see."

Wellington, who sit at the top of the Canterbury rankings, and Eton College provided the stiffest opposition and proved to be the hurdles that Epsom were unable to overcome.

"Every player in the squad has responded to the challenge each week and done their bit to ensure success. The back row combination of Joe Trayfoot, Tom Brown and Tom Lothian has been exceptional, as has captain and scrum half Rhodri Needham, who cajoled and encouraged his players in equal measure," Andy said.

The Colts and Junior Colts sides have also had highly successful seasons, which bodes well for the future of rugby at Epsom.

● 1st XV flanker Joe Trayfoot has held down a place in the England U18 team this season and has added to his experience with appearances for the Harlequins A side where he played alongside old boys George Lowe and Chris York.