**ELIZABETH MOIR SCHOOL****RECORD IGCSE &  
A LEVEL RESULTS****19 STUDENTS ACHIEVED SEVEN OR MORE 9s**

Another year of outstanding results saw nine students achieve four A\*s at A Level and eleven achieve eight or more 9s at IGCSE. Overall, 35% of all A Level grades were A\*s and 66% A\* or A. At IGCSE, 50% of papers were graded 9 and 75% 8 or 9, equivalent to the old A\*. The results were the school's best ever at both IGCSE and A Level, excluding those based on lower grade boundaries during and after Covid.

Proud though we are of the top-performing students, it matters more how good the grades were across the class. At A Level, 39 out of 69 students achieved an A\* in at least one subject, which should enable them to meet the expected grades for any UK university course. At IGCSE, 60% of students achieved seven or more 8s and 9s (equivalent to A\*s).

Four students scored 600/600 in A Level Chemistry so will share the World Prize: Namik Hassan, Devmi Padumadasa, Nisanga Pathirana and Sadika Perera. Masamune Ohashi will win the World Prize for Maths after scoring 600/600 and Malith Gunawardena for Economics for scoring 400/400. Other students in the running for subject awards are Sulaari Stuart, who scored 398/400 in History, and Devmi, who scored 598/600 in Biology. Devmi scored full marks in 16 out of 24 papers; Namik and Sadika in 15, and Nisanga in 14.

At IGCSE, Lisara Jeewandara scored 119/120 in History, Sophie De Silva 99% in Chinese, Tharul Senanayake 99% in Maths, Clementina Deane 97% in English Literature, Thenuka Malavige 96% in Chemistry and Rajindu Normanbhoy 96% in Biology.

**A Level**

- 35 % A\* (UK average = 9.3%)
- 66% A\*-A
- 39 students earned at least one A\*
- 9 students achieved four A\*s
- 21 students achieved at least two A\*s including 14 with 3 A\*s
- Four students scored 100% in Chemistry, one in Maths and one in Economics
- Students scored 99.5% in Biology & History

Malith Gunawardena	4 A*
Namik Hassan	4 A*
Navendra Marcelline	4 A*
Masamune Ohashi	4 A*
Devmi Padumadasa	4 A*
Luchitha Pathirana	4 A*
Nisanga Pathirana	4 A*
Chanithu Perera	4 A*
Sadika Perera	4 A*
Sanithu Mohottige	3 A* 1 A
Rumi Nagpal	3 A* 1 A

Hanzalah Siraj	3 A* 1 A
Sulaari Stuart	3 A*
Di Xie	3 A*
Yumandhi Bandaranayake	2 A* 2 A
Sohum Jayasekara	2 A* 2 A
Omay Jayatilleke	2 A* 2 A
Aneeqah Muhsin	2 A* 2 A
Kavinu Abeywickrama	2 A* 1 A
Chanduli Rubasinghe	2 A* 1 A
Savaira Sammoon	2 A* 1 A
Anuki Basnayake	1 A* 3 A
Ravindu Dias	1 A* 3 A
Minuka Hennadige	1 A* 3 A
Manumi Lanerolle	1 A* 3 A
Udan Marapperuma	1 A* 3 A
Anagi Sathischandra	1 A* 3 A
Hathim Asgerally	1 A* 2 A
Arik De Zoysa	1 A* 2 A
Risandi Gunasekara	1 A* 2 A
Akila Weerasinghe	4 A
Monisha Gunaratne	3 A
Jayharish Shivakumar	3 A

# IGCSE RESULTS

- 50 % 9 (England average = 5%)
- 75% 8-9 (equivalent to A\*)
- 60% students achieved seven or more 8s and 9s (equivalent to A\*s)
- 11 students achieved eight or more 9s
- Students scored 99% in History, 99% in Chinese, 98% in Maths, 97% in Literature, 96% in Biology & Chemistry

Upekha Gunawansa	9 9s 1 8	Kada Ozaki	6 9s 2 8s
Hirun Athukorala	9 9s	Kavindu Pathirage	6 9s 2 8s
Vinay Bakshani	9 9s	Ammaar Rishad	6 9s 2 8s
Lisara Jeewandara	9 9s	Emaiya De Alwis	6 9s 1 8
Rajindu Normanbhoy	9 9s	Seong Chan Kim	6 9s 1 8
Archana Padumadasa	9 9s	Gehan Mendis	6 9s 1 8
Tharul Senanayake	9 9s	Keiran Umagiliya	6 9s 1 8
Sophie De Silva	7 9s & 1 8 & 1 A*	Aneeqa Irishad	5 9s 3 8s
Lithum Hettiarachchi	8 9s 1 8	Khaya Umagiliya	5 9s 2 8s
Esheli Ranawaka	8 9s	Suhanya Fernando	4 9s 4 8s
Jack Shearer	8 9s	Eleonore Liyanage	4 9s 4 8s
Clementina Deane	7 9s & 1 A*	Annika Perera	4 9s 3 8s
Methuli Bandara	7 9s 2 8s	Sanuki Suraweera	4 9s 3 8s
Eva De Silva	7 9s 1 8	Avlok Wignaraja	4 9s 3 8s
Sanuga Kariyawasam	7 9s 1 8	Yehara Wijyaratne	4 9s 3 8s
Thenuka Malavige	7 9s 1 8	Amida Withanage	4 9s 3 8s
Savani Danangoda-Gamage	7 9s	Bingyan Chen	2 9s 6 8s
Nimthara Ginige	7 9s	Senuk Dias	2 9s 5 8s
Vidul Kumarawadu	7 9s	Hesandi Palliyeguruge	2 9s 5 8s
Seneli Jayawardane	6 9s 2 8s	Uzman Yameen	1 9 6 8s

## FOUNDERS' DAY



Founders' Day opened this year with the Senior School Orchestra playing a version of the Avengers Theme arranged by Orchestra President, Kavinu Abeywickrama. After the prizes were presented, the Infant Choir entertained everyone with a joyful Mary Poppins Medley. In her speech, outgoing Captain of School Rishika Senevirathne discussed overcoming imposter syndrome and encouraged all the students to believe in themselves. The evening was brought to a close by the Senior Choir singing Pure Imagination.



**CONGRATULATIONS  
TO THE NEW HEAD PREFECTS  
APPOINTED FOR 2024-2025:**

Captain of School  
Senior School Head Prefects

Junior School Head Prefect  
Junior School Deputy Head Prefect

Tae Hyun Won  
Keanu Herft  
Savith Wijesundara  
Aarish Hirdaramani  
Tashane Sivagananathan



# ALUMNI SPORT

For the second year in a row, teams of alumni played our school teams in Basketball, Cricket and Football in the first week of the school year. The games provided some early practice for our teams, an opportunity for alumni to relive the glory of their school days and a fun game for everyone involved. The alumni included members of last year's class as well as players who graduated as far back as 2003.



The students won both the Football matches, despite the alumni having two former captains in both their Boys' and Girls' teams. In Basketball, a fine performance from Ryan Abeyesundere could not prevent the school team winning the Boys' match. In the girls' match, Anithra Basnayake rolled back the years with a great effort but, without substitutes, the alumni



tired and the students won a tight game by one basket. In the Cricket, the students had the alumni on the ropes at 49-4 but Aqeel Rahuman's 36 helped the alumni reach 98 in their 20 overs, and the students narrowly failed to chase down the runs.

Any alumni interested in playing in future years should contact [s.jayasinghe@moir.lk](mailto:s.jayasinghe@moir.lk) to be included in the alumni sports WhatsApp groups.

## MOIR WINS SRI LANKA SCHOOLS DEBATING CHAMPIONSHIP



Congratulations to Okitha Karunadhara, Ananya Nandakumar, Visura Padeniya and Savith Wijesundara on winning the Sri Lanka Schools Debating Championship, organised by the Law Faculty of Colombo University, the most prestigious Debating tournament of the year, and the largest, with 60 teams participating. They reached the final after defeating Trinity College, Kandy in the last sixteen, Bishop's College in the quarter-final and Royal College in the semi-final. They won the final against Hillwood College, Kandy, after a unanimous decision by all five judges, opposing the motion that 'Post-colonial states, when developing their national identity, should prioritise pre-colonial history and notions of indigeneity over themes of anti-colonial resistance'. Our B



Team - Himanshu Jayasinghe, Harish Sivagananathan and Dinithi Wickramasinghe - also reached the quarter-finals before being knocked out by Hillwood College, Kandy.

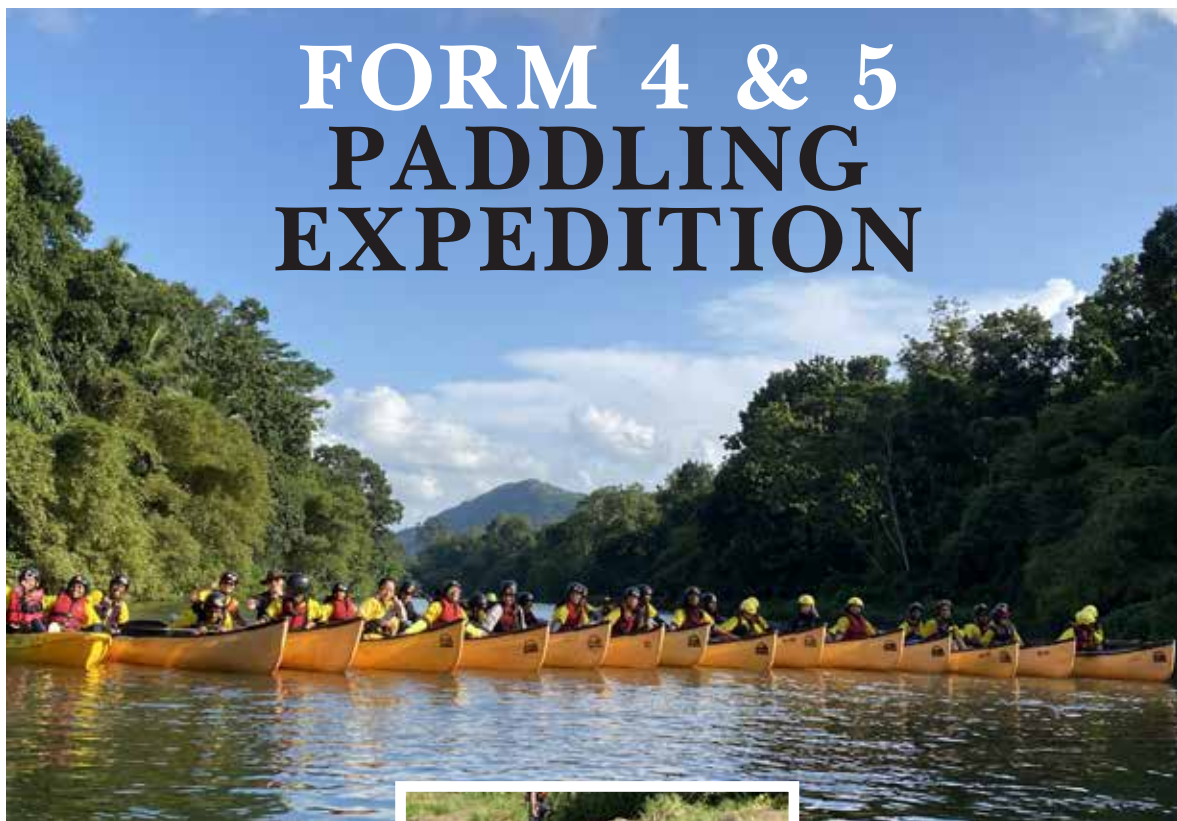
The following week, Okitha, Savith and Harish won the Dr. Vijitha Weerasinghe Memorial Tournament organised by Royal College, with Savith ranked 2nd Best Speaker and Okitha ranked 3rd. The team won all five debates in the qualifying rounds before defeating Bishop's College in the quarter-finals, Ladies' College in the semi-finals and Methodist College in the final, with all 5 judges ruling them the winners in each debate.

The previous week, the team had qualified first for the knock-out stages of the Henley Debating Championships, organised by Bishop's College, after winning all five of their preliminary debates, but lost to Ladies' College in the semi-final. Savith was selected Best Speaker, with Okitha and Anuki Basnayake also ranked in the top ten.

Over the holidays, Savith also represented Sri Lanka in the World School Debating Championship in Serbia.



# FORM 4 & 5 PADDLING EXPEDITION



This year, Borderlands organised an expedition for our students for the first time. Rather than returning to camp at the end of each day, 30 intrepid students canoed around 20km down the Kelani river from the Borderlands camp in Kithulgala.

On the first day, students were taught how to paddle and manoeuvre in a canoe, how to navigate rapids safely and how to perform a rescue, before returning to Borderlands for a dinner cooked by one group of students. Nashwa in Form 5 commented, "The best meals are cooked over an open fire, shared with friends and seasoned with gratitude." Over the next two days the students paddled down the river in their canoes, stopping overnight to camp alongside the riverbank, and

again feast on home-cooked meals. Maleesa in Form 5 stated, "As we paddled down the river we were not only able to conquer our fears of capsizing but also experienced an exhilarating adventure that I am sure brought all of us closer together, strengthening the bonds

we shared through every stroke."

Students have the opportunity to attend team-building camps every year from Form 2 upwards. The camp for Form 2 and 3 is based on sea-kayaking and paddle-boarding in Weligama. In Forms 4 and 5, students can go on the paddling expedition and, in the 6th Form, the trip is based on whitewater rafting and canyoning in Kithulgala.

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## UNDER 12 FOOTBALL



Our girls' team were unfortunate not to reach the knock-out rounds after winning one of their group games and drawing the other. The boys' team did qualify and went on to defeat CIS in the quarter-final after a thrilling penalty shoot-out. They faced Royal Institute in the semi-finals and put up a strong fight, but sadly missed out on a place in the final. The consolation final against Gateway College, Colombo ended in another intense penalty shoot-out, which they were unlucky to lose in sudden death.