



## Celebrating London's young sporting talent

**Bedford Modern's** First VIII rowing squad headed to Chicago for an Easter rowing camp. The team trained on the famous Loop river, which runs through the city, before rowing against some of the top schools' crews in America.

**Adam Aspden**, a Year 9 pupil at **Eltham College**, won the Public Schools' Fencing Championships "Mount-Haes" Foil event for his age group at the Crystal Palace National Sports Centre. The competition dates back to 1890 and Adam joins many well-known winners, including **Sir Winston Churchill** and several Olympians. Seven other Eltham College fencers also performed very well, achieving 9th, 11th and 15th places in foil and épée events. The school team placed 2nd in the Hilary Hammond Trophy category for schools with less than 25 weapon entries.

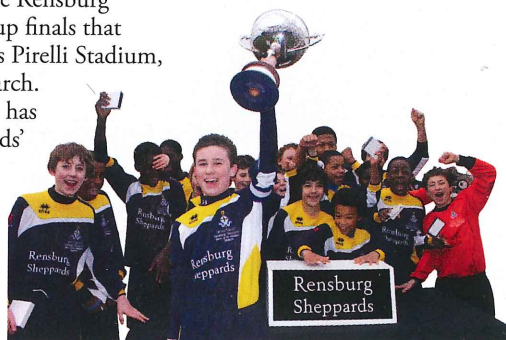
For the fourth year running, **Hampton School's** 1st VII team won the Middlesex's U18 rugby invitation sevens, hosted by **St Benedict's School** in Ealing. They clinched their latest victory by acing **Dulwich College** in the final and ran out 26-17.

**Latymer Upper's** senior girls first netball team are climbing to the top of their local Senior Girls' League which includes formidable opposition from leading London schools. Last year, they finished eight out of eight, but this year they were second, fighting off competition from schools including **Godolphin & Latymer**, **St Paul's Girls' School**, **Notting Hill** and **Ealing High School**, and **Westminster School**. Each school plays each other twice over the season to ensure fair competition.

Thirty eight girls from **Francis Holland**, Regent's Park travelled to the wild shores of South Africa in what can only be described as the "hockey tour of a lifetime". The teams had a mix of wins and losses against Edgemoor School in Cape Town, Trevor Manual School in the Fisantekraal Township, Fairmont High School and then Outeniqua High School.

## Whitgift winners take all

**Whitgift School's** U13 and U15 football teams are the Rensburg Sheppards' Cup champions, winning both the Rensburg Sheppards' U13 and U15 Cup finals that took place at Burton Albion's Pirelli Stadium, Burton-on-Trent, on 3rd March. This is the first time a school has won both Rensburg Sheppards' Cups in this hotly contested national competition run by the Independent Schools Football Association (ISFA) and sponsored by Rensburg Sheppards Investment Management.



## Charity

### London fundraisers and events

● Pupils from **City of London Freeman's School** raised over £5,000 for this year's RAG (Raising and Giving) week. Charities receiving the funds included Cheers, Teenage Cancer Trust, Rianna's Fund, Discover and Wheels for the World. During the week, each day had a separate theme such as "When I Grow Up", or "Heroes and Villains" where students could dress up in costume. There were also many creative lunchtime activities, including a *Strictly Come Dancing* competition, Disney Karaoke, Teacher Talent Show and a Rag 'n' Roll Concert.

● Battersea school **Newton Prep** raised an impressive £2,000 for the Save the Children Japan Earthquake and Tsunami Appeal by making paper cranes using the origami technique. In Japan, the crane is a symbol of peace and hope.



● Girls from the junior school at **Streatham and Clapham High School** celebrated the arrival of spring with an International Day. Each student was issued with a "passport" which allowed them to travel around the school, visiting classrooms that had been transformed into different countries. Parents helped to create the rooms where students could experience the sights, smells and tastes of the country, he or she was visiting, including pasta making, Chinese calligraphy, eating with chopsticks and "dancing like an Egyptian."

