

# InFocus

Hello again,

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Another year is drawing to a close and once again the Journalism Club has been working hard on their last 'InFocus' newsletter of the year. A very small group of hardworking students, namely Alexis Roullier and Ayana Bhanji, have been researching and creating the articles for this edition.

The team would like to wish the whole Compass community a very happy, safe and fruitful holiday.

We extend all our good wishes to Year 11 as they await their results.

Have a wonderful break!

Kind regards from,

The Infocus Team a.k.a The Journalism Club

## Year 11 Graduate!

The time Year 11 thought would never come has arrived. Year 11 had their graduation ceremony and Prom at the Intercontinental Hotel on Thursday June 12th. Parents were present to see their sons and daughters graduate and then the students had a great time, dancing,

choosing their Prom King and Queen and handing out other accolades.

Enjoy your well-deserved holidays.

Don't they look stunning?



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### Nord Anglia Short Story Winners and Global Orchestra 2015

CONGRATLATIONS TO:

NUKAIYA HATHERLEY and GIL-LA MOHAMED are soon to be published authors in the Nord Anglia 2015 volume of stories entitled **Unforgettable Places**. These two students were chosen from 269 entries across the world to represent Compass International School.



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## Cool Facts about your Favourite Celebrities

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### Demi Lovato

1. She loves heavy metal music
2. She used to have a YouTube show with her friend Selena Gomez called "The Demi and Selena Show".



### Selena Gomez

1. She wants to invent pickle flavored gum
2. Despite being a wizard on *Wizards of Waverly Place*, she is not a fan of wizards or magic (sorry Harry Potter fans!)

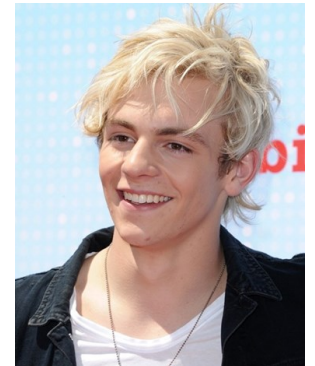


1. **Zendaya** has said the cartoon character she's most like is Kim Possible.
2. **Zendaya** has said that she always thought she'd be a basketball player and not an actress.



1. When **Bella** auditioned for *Shake It Up* she had never taken a dance class before.
2. She is OBSESSED with spicy food, she can eat nine cups of jalapenos at once!

### Ross Lynch



1. He likes to draw and sketch
2. He has a band called R5

### Maths Puzzle

If you had only one match and entered a COLD and DARK room, where there was an oil heater, an oil lamp and a candle, which would you light first?

Answer on page 6



## Little Shop of Horrors

This year's school production was *Little Shop of Horrors*. It was a lively energetic show, directed by Mrs Martin, music by Ms Nicholson, choreography by Mrs Menton and a terrific set design by Mr Martin.

On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March, an amazing performance was held at Compass International School. A preview for Secondary was held the day before. Lots of people enjoyed watching it and thought it was organised very well. It was about a plant who ate

people and got bigger every time it ate someone and it ends up eating everyone and takes over America.



## Monologue – Bratty Teenager Whining To Go To a Get-together

Danielle: WHY? Why do I have to go to a boring get-together? It's so NOT fair! There is like, NO ONE to talk to. The adult population? 20 year olds and above! Kid population? 4 year olds and below! How exciting! I would LOVE to spend my weekend in a noisy, kid-infested place, sooooo much fun, NOT! I'd rather be with my best friend shopping for new clothes! Like, I'd rather willingly dive into a volcano than go to Aunt-Maree's house, and don't even DARE give me THAT look when I don't want to babysit a bunch of hyper-active. . . . Monkeys!



Don't get me started on Aunt Maree, she treats me like I'm 4 years old, talk about rude! Also, not to mention her "HOME-MADE" sweets. DISGUSTING! They taste like . . . Rotten . . . Apples . . . With worms. YUMM . . .

SOOOO HEALTHY! Ha! Even I can cook better than that! I can't even cook an egg, THAT'S how BAD her cooking is. You know the saying, 'To die for'? Well, I'd rather die, than eat that. Eeeww GROSS!



The kids, Oh . . . MY . . . GOODNESS. Those whining maniacs pull my hair and keep annoying me while my parents on the other hand, Oh! They're having A LOT OF FUN! Why can't I go to a sleepover? Chelsea wouldn't mind at all, she never does. Her parents are like, SUPER COOL. I'm sure they'd understand. I wish that Aunt Maree wouldn't give me her "SPECIAL" goodie bag . . . . AGAIN? It's the same . . . EVERY YEAR. It's always toddler shoes and a blue dress for a doll. I'm 13 years old! I don't play with dolls.

Also, when the boredom ends, and we have to leave, do you ACTUALLY think I WANT a slobbery kiss on the cheek from an old lady who was born in the 14<sup>th</sup> century? No, I don't! Not at all! You have to have the tiniest peanut in the world for a brain if you think I ACTUALLY think I like these BORING trips too Aunt Maree's house. MEGA GROSS! YUCK!

Also, would she mind if we don't go to her house this year? I mean, we have Skype and Viber, we can call her. It'll be JUST like she's in the same room as us. It will be better, for her, she doesn't have to cook anything, she is like 73 years old. It'll be better for us, too! We won't have a HUGE pile of toddler shoes anymore! See! Best of both worlds!

Doesn't she have something called FRIENDS? She must have quite a lot of friends from her knitting circle or her old ladies' club. It's not like we're her only friends . . . RIGHT? It's also kind of embarrassing to say to ANYONE that you can't come to an ultra-cool and fun sleepover because you have to go to your 73 year old Aunt Maree's house. MAJOR LET DOWN.



Wait! Today's the 3<sup>rd</sup> of May! Oh . . . MY . . . GOODNESS! I just realized Aunt Maree's get-together is on the 13<sup>th</sup> of May! I've got to get to Chelsea's sleepover. FAST. I've got to get my stuff! My nail polish and my clothes!



HELP ME! Mom! I need a ride to Chelsea's house! Huurrryyy!

By Ayana Bhanji



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## What is a monologue?

monologue  
'mon(ə)log/  
noun  
a long speech by one actor in a play or film, or as part of a theatrical or broadcast programme.

"He was reciting some of the great monologues of Shakespeare."



## Joke Corner

Q: "What's the difference between a guitar and a fish?"

A: "You can't tuna fish."



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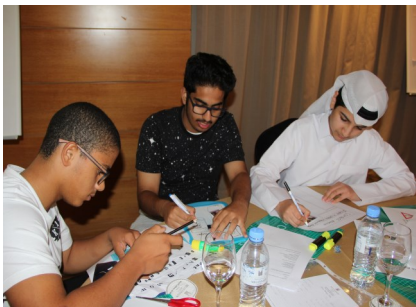
### Year 8 Battle of the Tutor Groups

During the year, Year 8 have been taking part in competitions every Thursday. The winning group receives points and a trophy, which gets passed on to the next winning group. This year's winners are 8D and they are rewarded with a non-uniform day on Wednesday 24th June.



## Year 11 English Residential

Just before the written IGCSE exams began in May, the English Department took Year 11 students for an overnight residential at the Millennium Hotel. Students were involved in revision sessions including news reports on our homegrown Compass crime, creative writing, letter and summary writing skills and debate. It was a worthwhile two days and students went swimming for relaxation.

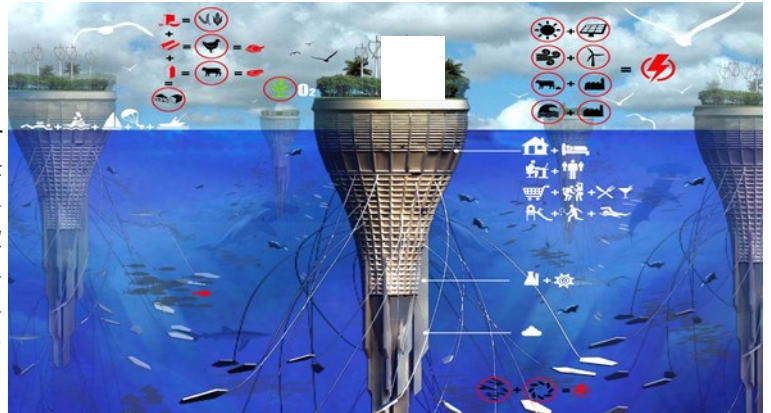


## Worried about the Environment?

### Water levels rising

Everybody says that sea levels are rising and that it's bad for the environment. Well, if sea levels are rising why don't we use the water to construct buildings like this one?

The good thing about under water buildings is that they're not only more ecological than our normal houses but are more performant than our normal houses. In what way? Why technologically of course.



The internet connection works much better thanks to the clean energy produced by the wind, hydroelectric and solar powers. Also the food tastes much better because the air is cleaner and everything is biological.

So what are you waiting? Let's build a better future!

## Year 6 Transition Day—Sunday 14th June

Transition Day was a blast! It was a phenomenal experience for the Year 6 students and the Year 9 students who acted as mentors. It was a wonderful day, when both years established a great bond, which will continue when Year 6 transform into Year 7 in September. The Year 9 students had an amazing time supporting the graduating Year sixes, as well as assisting and encouraging them during any task that was thrown at them. Similarly the graduating class got first-hand experience of what it is like to be a member of the Secondary community, and have received advice that will be of great help to them in the following academic years.

Imane 9B

The Transition Day was a

ground-breaking experience and I quickly became fond of the Year 6 students, because to me, they represented the ideal Secondary students. I wish the Year 6 students a wonderful time in Secondary.

Benjamin 9A

Transition Day was so much fun. I loved helping them learn and experience life as Secondary students. It was such an exciting experience and I enjoyed meeting and having an



awesome time with them. They all have charisma and a positive attitude. I hope that they have a great time next year.

Nithya 9A



# Handy and Practical Tips

## How to make a simple locker shelf to keep you organised!

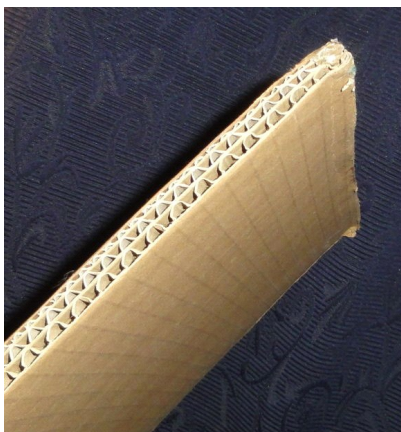


### What you will need:

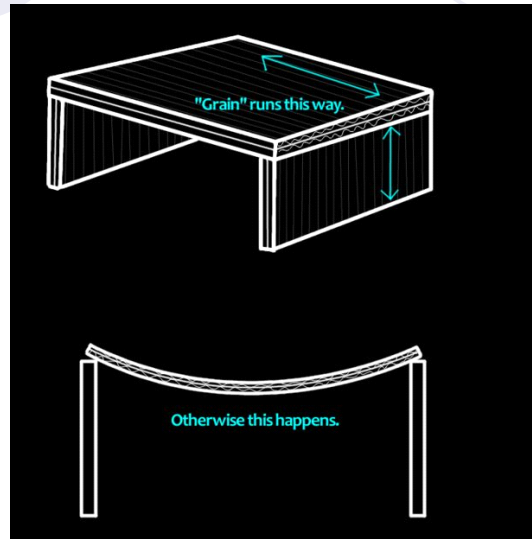
1. Thick cardboard
2. Paints and decorations (if you want your locker shelf to look nice)
3. A knife or a cutter.
4. A pencil
5. A ruler

### **Step 1:**

Before you do this measure how tall and wide you want your locker shelf to be. Measure your locker a few days before and start this project.



### **Step 2:**



Cut 3 pieces of cardboard and put it together like the picture above. If you want your locker shelf to be more sturdy, paper mache it to make it stronger ( if you are going to paper mache your locker shelf you have to give it at least a day to dry)



### **Step 3:**

Get creative! Paint, decorate, you can even cut out magazines or pictures and make it a collage but most importantly, make sure YOU like it; after all, it is YOUR locker shelf.

Good luck with your do-it-yourself project. Think how proud you will be!

## Sharing quality free time with your parents this holiday

- seeing a movie you're both interested in
- listening to music together at home or going to a concert
- going to a football game or other sports match
- checking out local events such as markets, festivals or environmental activities
- going away for a weekend to an event, such as a show or an exhibition
- cooking together
- going out for a meal together working on a home project together – for example, redecorating a room or making furniture.





**Answer to Maths Puzzle**

What would you light first?

The match of course!

**The Apple Watch**



The Apple watch is a tactile watch which is “a little bit” expensive. Is it really worth it? Do we really need an Apple watch when you already have the Ipad or Samsung Galaxy? First of w all what is Apple? Well **Apple Inc.**, formerly **Apple Computer, Inc.**, is a multinational corporation that creates consumer electronics, personal computers, computer software, and commercial servers, and is a digital distributor of media content. The company also has a chain of retail stores known as Apple stores. Apple's core product lines are the Iphone smart, ipad tablet computer, ipod portable media players and Macintosh computer line.

Founders Steve Jobs and Steve Wosniak created Apple Computer on April 1, 1976, and incorporated the company on January 3, 1977, in Cupertino, California.

Apple's worldwide annual revenue in 2010 totaled US\$65 billion, growing to US\$127.8 billion in 2011 and \$156 billion in 2012. So on to the apple watch well first of all more than 1000 000 people are addicted to their phone or computer if we add a watch we're doomed! So together let's try to go out more often and stop being addicted let's try to do other things than typing we need you!

Alexis Roullier

**Photo Pick**



**YouTuber of the month**

Superwoman a.k.a. Lilly Singh



Lilly Singh, who everybody knows as superwoman is a YouTuber who has skyrocketed to the hall of fame, she shown determination and hard work throughout the years. ‘When you really want to do something, whether it be getting a degree or making people laugh on YouTube, if you’re determined and passionate enough you can achieve it.’ Lilly believes in herself, she is filled with positivity and motivation. Though she is very successful, she had to deal with depression. In 2013, her grandfather died (she was very close to him) this experience taught her that life is beautiful, so make the most of it while you still have it. She now makes hilarious YouTube videos full of advice, comedy, skits and much more. With more than 5.7 million YouTube subscribers and more than 708 million video views, Lilly is gaining new fans every minute. Despite being a YouTube sensation and headlining a sold-out world tour, Lilly stays true to herself .She talks about everything and anything in the most honest and funniest way in her videos. She has released many songs such as LEH, IVIVI, I’m Ill and Stand up.