

Richard Wingate Award – presented in Feb. 2015

Samir Damji was a co-winner of the Richard Wingate Award at the end of Grade 9 and distinguished himself as an outstanding academic student with no final course mark lower than 89%, and a perfect 100% in Math 9. Wow! Samir was a member of the Grade 9 Boys' Basketball Team and the Triathlon Team, and was consistently an enthusiastic leader in all aspects of his Geer House activities. Samir is known in the classroom for his dedicated work ethic, excellent analytical skills, and persuasive public speaking skills. More importantly, though, Samir remains consistently modest about his own achievements and is respectful and encouraging towards his peers. He epitomizes the ideals of citizenship and deportment. As his Geer Head of House, Mr. Pool says, "You embody all that is Collingwood – you are kind, generous, and spirited."