

Saltus Grammar's Herscheo's a real sea dog!

By Matthew Taylor

Saltus schoolboy Herscheo Minks is feeling ferry pleased with himself after winning a Dell Dimension desktop computer in a mystery words competition based on sea flags.

Students had to decode the code flags on the ferries which are used by seafarers to communicate between boats.

Herscheo, 11, said: "I will put the computer in the living room so the whole family can use it."

The \$1,600 computer comes with colour printer and software and was donated by Computer City.

Herscheo's name was drawn by last year's winner, Spice Valley student, Keaton Tannock.

Everyone who sent a correct entry will receive a transporta-

tion pass, which will allow free travel on buses and ferries until the end of the year.

The correct entries in the Ministry of Transport competition were:

□ Sea Express – the name of the new Bermuda ferry service

□ Catamaran – the description of the new twin hull ferries

□ Rockaway – the location of the new ferry stop in Southampton

□ Serenity – the name of the first ferry, which will arrive on the island next spring.

At the awards ceremony outside City Hall yesterday, Transport Minister Dr. Ewart Brown said he was excited about the new catamaran ferries which he said would be a comfortable and convenient way for people to travel to the western parishes.

Dr. Brown added the ferries were a way to keep the island clean.

He said: "They will make a difference in the noise, the pollution and congestion on our roads."

"We are designing the ferries and infrastructure to appeal to all people – that includes our young people.

"The pennant race contest was a way to involve students and raise their awareness of the new ferries.

"To participate in the contest students had to actually ride on our current ferries, since all the clues were on the boats themselves."

The first of the four new catamarans is due in Bermuda next year.