

In the spotlight...

# Lucas Ozanne

## Two years of school football left for versatile Elizabeth College winger



Lucas Ozanne tries to keep the ball in play in Elizabeth College's CI Schools League match against the Grammar School at the KGV.

(Picture by Steve Sarre, 20128322)

AFTER impressing on the wing for his school team this year, Elizabeth College coach Mike Garnett has hinted at a bright future for young Lucas Ozanne. Still only a Year 11 student after being part of the Guernsey Star Trophy squad last season, Ozanne has cemented a regular spot in the college first XI already during this campaign. And despite his diminutive size, Garnett likes what he sees in the talented teen. 'I have played him out on the wing this season and he has done really well there,' he said. 'He works hard up and down the touchline all game, his work-rate is excellent and he is a real danger when it comes to an attacking sense as well. 'Lucas is a good crosser of the ball, has

What he lacks in size, Lucas Ozanne makes up for with performances full of energy. **Matt Lihou** finds out more about the Elizabeth College winger

decent vision and is able to beat a man as well. 'Obviously it is still early days for him because he has two more years left after this, but he has progressed nicely in the last few months.' It could all mean that Ozanne may be a part of the Guernsey squad when it comes to the Nigel Gavey Trophy match (U16 Muratti) against Jersey in the spring.

Longer-term, Garnett believes that the youngster can kick on even further. 'Like anybody of that age there is room for improvement in certain areas, but he is more than willing to put the work in to get better. 'What is impressive about him is that he is just as comfortable trying to beat somebody on the outside as he is cutting in from the left onto his right foot, so he is

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versatile and can play on either wing. 'As he gets older he will become an important senior player in our college team and hopefully a good senior player in the future too.'