

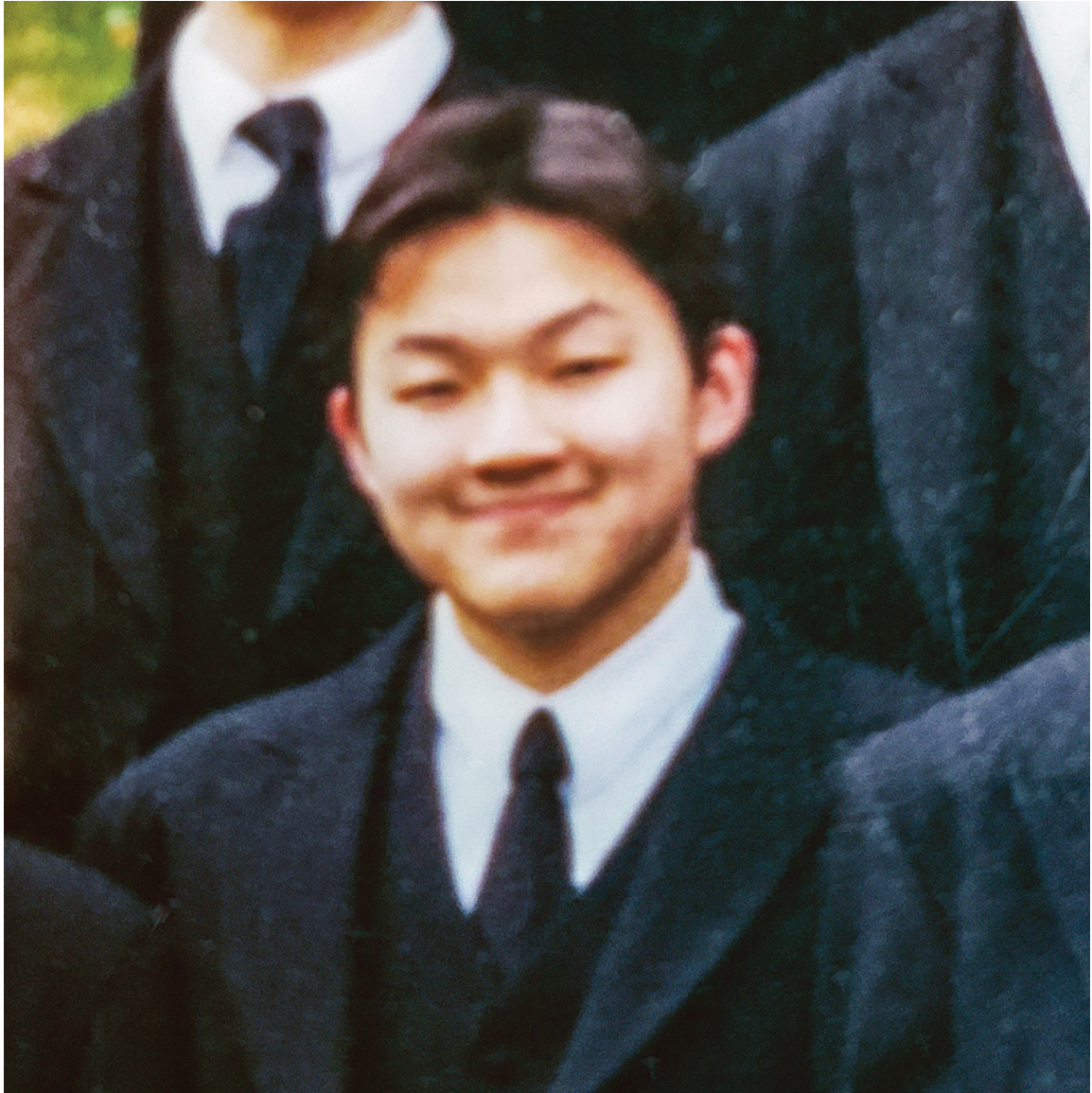


Growing up on the Malaysian island of Penang, Jho Low was a smart student and a smooth talker with a keen awareness of his social status. In 1994, aged 13, Low persuaded his new friends at Chung Ling, a school in Penang, to vote him a class monitor.



Founded by British colonialists in 1786, Penang's capital, George Town, came to be dominated by Chinese immigrants, including Low's grandfather, who arrived in the 1960s from China via Thailand. Low's father, Larry, made millions through his investment in a garment company, allowing him to send Low and his siblings to private schools overseas. *Courtesy of Alex Frangos*

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In 1998, Jho Low left Malaysia to study at the prestigious Harrow School in England, where he joined Newlands house. This expensive education was part of a plan by Larry Low to vault his youngest child into the realm of the world's wealthiest people. At Harrow, Jho Low's school friends included the children of Middle Eastern and Asian royal families.

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You are cordially invited to a celebration in honor of:

Jho Low's Birthday

*Saturday November 3, 2001 at Shampoo Nightclub
9:30pm - 2:00am. No guests will be admitted after 11:15pm*

**** Complimentary premium open bar all night****

*Shuttle buses from International House (37th & Chestnut Street) will depart
continuously from 9:30pm - 11:00pm. Return trips begin at 12:30am.*

*Each guest must present an invitation and identification at the bus and the nightclub to be admitted.
Fashionable attire is a must. No jeans or sweaters.*

Shampoo is located between 7th & 8th on Willow Street

At the Wharton School, Low befriended some of the richest students, many from important Middle Eastern families, who would prove useful to him later in life. With his father's money, he also began to host extravagant parties. In November 2001, Low, then a sophomore, threw a party at Shampoo, one of Philadelphia's top nightclubs, earning the nickname "Asian Great Gatsby."

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As a student in London, Low got to know Riza Aziz, the stepson of Malaysian Deputy Prime Minister Najib Razak. Hailing from Malaysia's foremost political dynasty, Najib and his second wife, Rosmah Mansor (Riza's mother), were extremely powerful. After graduating from Wharton, Low deepened his ties to Najib and Rosmah, using his connections to bring Middle Eastern investment to Malaysia. *Getty Images*

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Rosmah Mansor was born to a middle-class family but grew up on the

grounds of a royal palace and had the taste to match. Low knew that his way to power in Malaysia ran through Rosmah, and he set about procuring jewels and other luxuries for her. *Getty Images*

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