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Algebra by Phi

In algebra, the unknowns x , y and z may represent any number. Unknowns in clue answers are ignored in wordplay and, in ten cases, replaced by numbers in grid entries.

ACROSS

- 1 British about to take it easy in informal jacket
- 7 Bacteria, say, not right to be considered fine things
- 10 I am, regrettably, returning the sausage
- 12 Transport system will make you scoff
- 13 Annoying miser OK for a change
- 14 Licentious times associated with US city
- 16 For this dessert use ice-cream – and use nuts!
- 17 Old instruments partly restored, but only partly
- 21 It measures current American distance (in American style)
- 23 University course for aspiring politicians head of Department put more into
- 25 Takes off the bottle one covered in unpleasant spots
- 26 Greek character in maze (taurine)
- 28 It's cheap, tatty, fake
- 30 Poured and drank to the dregs (though not at first)
- 34 Dismayed about this positive vote?
- 35 Worker with one record showing mathematical quantity
- 36 Lot feeling repressed?
- 37 A high point in the works
- 38 Just on-line?
- 39 Some gazes that will show passion

DOWN

- 1 Local ordinance in respect of US city's well-being initially
- 2 Fat? A little globular, definitely!
- 3 Drunkard? Speech lacks the ultimate in refinement
- 4 Classification putting burden on leaders of office managers
- 5 Act extremely distant, heading off
- 6 Behold rises (outgoings)
- 7 \$1,000 gets photos capturing King – that should lead to a race! (*two words*)
- 8 Live in perfect religious building
- 9 28d's upset the rest
- 11 Extra rich? Not quite
- 15 Not suitable for eating after cooking
- 18 Holy man absorbed by the *anima mundi*
- 19 Middle of leg inflamed after upset – apparently bitten
- 20 Details of machine capacity perhaps a little reduced
- 22 Quantity of explosive – no splendid thing to turn up
- 24 Five hundred and one years is some time
- 27 In favour of keeping poster in art gallery
- 28 Soft fish suffer the effects of the sun?
- 29 As a pupil in French, you will need little support
- 31 Dead tree – blight?
- 32 Ballet step almost worked
- 33 A good deal in the possession of Biblical character