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Dear Parents,

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It has been good to have a lovely sunny day to end the week! In times of sadness, children are always a great tonic and without exception, they have been brilliant this week. Thank you for all your messages of support – it was lovely that so many of you attended the celebration of Diane's life yesterday. If you would like to read the tribute to her, it can be found below this letter on the website.

Yesterday's tag rugby tournament at Silchester

The twelve boys and girls from Years 5 and 6 that represented the school at tag rugby yesterday played extremely well and won the tournament. We are very proud of their achievement which seemed particularly fitting - Diane would have been thrilled. Thank you to Mrs. Britt and Mrs. Pender who accompanied the children.

Judo results from half term

Our before school club is very popular and the children who attend it are making remarkable progress. In a recent competition, the following children achieved these fantastic results:

Bronze Merryn Gilby, Lewis Wilkinson, Joseph Dalgarno, Angus Filson

Silver Rachel Greig, Jack James, James Stephens

Gold Scott Hogbin, Oliver Smithson

Quiz Club Inter Schools Championship

We are through to the semi finals of the National Inter Schools Quiz championship. This will take place on 27th May at Connaught School, Bagshot. Once again, our team will comprise Scott Hogbin, Lars Smallbone, Maddie Whitehead and Elliot Kent.

World Book Day / Speaking and Listening competition

The children (and staff) have taken a great deal of trouble with their costumes for World Book Day and they have looked splendid all day. They were very colourful members of the audience for our speaking and listening competition. As usual, many children took part in the heats and the following finalists battled it out earlier today:

Foundation and Key Stage One - Ophelia James, Lucy Englefield, Alicia Corbett, Madison Neumann, Maggie Ashley, Tom Forsberg, Dean Cooper-Kirby, Anna Palmer, Tilly Johnson

Key Stage Two – Eliza Burt, Iysha Morris, Alex Forsberg, Rachel Greig, Katie Palmer, David Lee, Asher West, Matthew Rogers, Elliot Kent, Jake Zollo, Helena Forsberg

The standard of all the entrants was exceptionally high. The children spoke with great clarity and excellent intonation and performed with great confidence in front of their peers. It was extremely difficult to judge, but after deliberation the results were:

Foundation and Key Stage One Winner – Tilly Johnson

Key Stage Two winner – Iysha Morris

Key Stage Two runner up – Helena Forsberg





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Congratulations to the winners and to all those who took part!

We were very grateful this year to have as a judge the children's author Ed Wicke. Afterward, Ed stayed to entertain the older children with extracts from his most recent books. If you would like to purchase a copy of his books, Ed will be returning to school at 3.15pm on Tuesday for a signing session. The books are £5 each.

Concert at the O²

I have managed to secure our entry to the Young Voices concert at the O² arena. This will take place on Tuesday, 31st January, 2012. This should be a very exciting opportunity for the children and I look forward to providing you with further details in due course.

Highlights of next week

It is that time of year again when Year 2 visit Portchester Castle. On Monday, they will be sampling the delights of life in a medieval castle – let's hope the weather is kind for them.

The following day, twelve athletes will be competing in an indoor athletics tournament at Everest School. I am sure they will do their very best.

Friday sees the 6th Priory Talent Show. As previous years have shown, this is a really enjoyable evening where the children deliver some extraordinary and highly entertaining performances.

I hope that you will be able to join us.

Photograph update on the website

There will be a number of new galleries to look at the beginning of next week – these include the Year 3 Viking Day, the rugby tournament, World Book Day / Speaking and Listening competition and Mrs. Barrett's celebration. I hope that you enjoy looking at them.

Have a lovely weekend!

Kind regards,

Suzanne Kelly

