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Dear Parent,

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> next week is the Year 3-5 Online Parents' Meeting. There was an email to parents earlier in the week that explained the booking process. Please call Mrs Leonard if difficulties arise.

The Year 6 and 8 pupils have been seriously preparing for the externally marked English Speaking Board examinations recently. These examinations take place next week. Year 8 have theirs on Monday and Tuesday and Year 6 examinations take place on Wednesday. We wish all pupils well and just to try their best!

There have been a good number of cricket matches recently and the pupils have fared very well with some outstanding personal and team performances. There have been mixed fortunes regarding specific results. However, the pupils have displayed positive sporting attitudes and have been a credit to the College. Well done to all who played!

Similarly, the tennis players and swimmers have maintained their momentum in training and we will watch their performances with interest.

We always keep an eye on the success of Jake Davies Year 8, who has been competing Nationally on his motorbike. Jake has finally had the race dates for the ADAC MX Masters championship. He will travel to compete on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> July in Bielstein, Germany. Good luck Jake!

There are still a number of matches to play. Please see details on the Ellesmere Sport website and once again, check with either Mr Williams by email or Mrs Leonard, if confusion arises.

Three Lower School pupils competed for the College in Show jumping last weekend. Jake Stockton, Immy Spencer-Blow and Oliver Loud travelled to Hartpury Equine College, Gloucester. In the 80cm class they came second and now qualify for the NSEA championships in October. The school team has already qualified for the NSEA championships at 90cm, so this means that Ellesmere will send riders to the championships for both the 80 & 90cm classes. Well done to Immy as she has qualified to compete as an individual in the championships due to her outstanding performance. All three pupils should be very proud regarding their performances in fields of up to 80 competitors!

We have asked pupils to check the lost property table very carefully. There are a good number of lost items collecting there and many pieces are unnamed. It is always amazing to see some of the items and wonder how such things could become detached from the individual child! We will try to re-introduce all items to the correct owner before term finishes.

There were some lovely entries for the HRH Prince Philip art competition. The entries are being professionally photographed ready for display. Prizes will be awarded at the end of term Assembly.

We are holding a Year 8 BBQ on the afternoon of Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June . We are hoping for a fine day to have some time with the Year 8 pupils before they embark on their Middle School move. Mr Dilks will organise a football tournament. He has a few tricks up his sleeve to make it a fun event!

Have a good weekend.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sharon Owen". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large 'O' at the end.

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