

## Whole School News

It has been a busy few days for everyone here at the Prep School as we have welcomed two guests from the Independent Schools Inspectorate for a Regulatory Compliance Inspection. As you would expect, it has been a very thorough process, and we look forward to sharing the published report with you in due course.

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you for responding to the parent questionnaire in such numbers - it really was greatly appreciated.

There are two weeks to go until the end of term and a great deal more to come, including the wonderful Summer Concert. The weather looks to be set fair so please do join us if you can.

### **Judo Club – Gradings                      Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> June**

Please note that Judo Gradings will take place on Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> June at 4.20 pm for the Pre-Prep children and 5.20 pm for the Prep children. Parents are very welcome to come and watch.

### **Summer Concert                              Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> June                      6.00 pm**

We are all looking forward to the Summer Concert in the Marquee which is always a lovely event. Please note that the concert is a compulsory event for the children in the Prep School and Year 2, and the children should be in uniform. We welcome our families in the Pre-Prep who may like to join us. Please bring along a picnic supper which is eaten during the interval. **All children will be sitting with parents throughout the concert.** The Summer Concert should finish by approximately 9.00 pm. Clubs will be running. Parents may collect at 4.30 pm or from the playground at 5.30 pm.

### **Speech Day                                      Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> June                              2.00 pm**

Speech Day will begin at 2.00 pm on Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> June and we look forward to welcoming our guest speaker, Mr Curtis Jobling.

Speech Day is an occasion which looks back on the year that has passed and where we hand out prizes to those children who have won an array of cups and awards. We also officially wish Year 6 pupils every success as they move on to their senior schools.

Pupils will attend normal school throughout the morning. They will then be taken to the marquee by their teachers and will sit together as a group. Please could parents ensure that all children have their blazers with them on the day.

The proceedings in the marquee will take about an hour and a quarter, after which time afternoon tea for parents will be served. Children in the Prep School will report to a member of staff on the playground where they will be given refreshments. For all Prep pupils the school day finishes immediately after Speech Day at approximately 3.45 pm. Children are to be collected from their Form Teacher.

**CAR PARKING** – Those of you who have attended Speech Day before will be aware that there is a limited amount of parking space. Where possible, we suggest that parents and friends share transport, thus reducing the number of vehicles parking at school. It would be very helpful and greatly appreciated if you could park where you are directed and not leave too much space between cars. Thank you.

### **Mary Poppins                                      Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> July**

The Year 6 play 'Mary Poppins' will be taking place in Ondaatje Hall. Tickets are still available for the **Thursday night only** priced at £4 for adults and £2.50 for children. Please do purchase your tickets from the school office.

### **Leavers' Service 9.15 am                      Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> July**

The Leavers' Service will take place at Blundell's Chapel at 9.15 am and will be attended by all children from Reception to Year 6. All parents are very welcome to attend.

**Last Day of Term**  
12.00 pm

**Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> July**  
Term ends for Pre-Prep and Prep

## **End of Year Reports**

We will email parents to inform you of when our End of Year reports will be available on the Parent Portal.

## **Prep News**

### **Classics Club**

**Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> June**

Mrs Milne is unable to take Classics Club on Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> June due to a Senior School commitment.

### **Years 3 - 6      Enrichment Evening      Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> July      4.45 pm – 5.30 pm**

We are delighted to welcome guest speaker Lucy River Bulkeley to Blundell's Prep on Monday 2nd July. Lucy has recently reached the summit of Mount Everest as a part of her hugely impressive quest to complete the 'Seven Summits Challenge' and is looking forward to talking to our pupils and parents about her adventures, and answering any questions. Please could you notify the office if you wish to attend, and encourage your children to let their form teachers know if they will be joining.

## **Pre-Prep News**

### **Arrangements for the Summer Concert for Pre-Prep      Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> June at 6.00pm.**

We are delighted that some of the Pre-Prep children will be participating in this event again this year. All of the Year 2 children will be singing and the children who attend Recorder Club, Violin Club, Cello Club and Violin Club will also be performing. This is a wonderful opportunity for all of the children and a most enjoyable family evening. The children should attend the concert in school uniform and sit with their parents until they are called up on to the stage to perform. The children will be performing during the first half of the programme. Do bring a picnic to enjoy during the interval.

### **Arrangements for Speech Day for the Pre-Prep      Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> June at 2.00pm**

We will be running a normal School day for all the children in the Nursery classes. Children in Reception, Years 1 and 2 will attend school as usual in the morning. In the afternoon these children will attend Speech Day and will be expected to sit with their Form teachers and class. The children will be entertaining all guests with a song as Speech Day begins. The proceedings in the marquee will take about an hour and a quarter, after which the children will return to the Pre-Prep with their teachers. In the interests of the children's safety every child should be collected from the Pre-Prep gate, rather than the marquee, as soon as Speech Day is over.

We do hope that you will stay and enjoy afternoon tea, which will be served after Speech Day but we would ask you to collect your children before tea and assume responsibility for them from this time.

### **Reception Profile Meetings**

**Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> July from 1.30pm**

All parents of Reception Children are invited to meet with Mrs Morris and Mrs Allen on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July from 1.30pm to discuss their child's progress as they come to the end of their Early Years Education, ahead of their move to Key Stage One (Years 1 and 2). Please select a time from the timetables which are outside the Reception classrooms. Mrs Morris will meet with the parents of the children in her class in the Pre-Prep Library and Mrs Allen will meet with the parents of the children in her class in the Pre-Prep Meeting Room, both of which are situated on the first floor. You will be able to take your child home after your meeting if you would like to do so. We look forward to welcoming you.