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SPORTS REPORT

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HSAA U13/U14 Hampshire Athletics Track & Field Championships, Southampton, Wed 12 July

Team: S2: Daisy and Raymond

Results:

Daisy – 100m Sprint (15th) and Relay (8th) Raymond – High Jump (9th)

Report: On Wednesday, Daisy and Raymond travelled to Southampton with the Isle of Wight Schools Athletics Team. For this event pupils are entered for one individual athletic discipline and can be entered for a team event.

After a quick warm-up, Daisy entered the first heat of the U14 Girls 100m Sprint. She had a time of 15.7 seconds. Unfortunately, Daisy tripped after the starting gun went off, disadvantaging her from the outset. She ran hard, trying to make up both time and distance, and should be very proud of herself.

Raymond was next, heading to the U14 Boys High Jump, and matched his personal best with a jump of 1.40 metres. Five other participants jumped this height and Raymond placed 9th out of 14. Whilst doing his event, it started to rain heavily. This made the run up and landing more challenging, and Raymond was very wet indeed! As with Daisy, Raymond should be enormously proud of his achievement.

Later in the day, Daisy was entered in the U14 Girls 100m Relay with girls from other schools on the Island. She ran in 3rd position and had to contend with a very wet track. All the girls in the relay team ran well and the Island squad made a very strong impression on everyone at the Championships.

Daisy and Raymond should be really pleased with themselves and their performances. Well done to you both.



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Sports Stars of the Term:

It has been a busy term in the Sports Department. Back at the start of the term we had to quickly change our plans as the All Schools Senior Athletics Championship was moved to earlier in the term, but as always, *Team Priory* stepped up to the challenge and worked hard to prepare in the time available. We had a great Championship, coming away with several individual and team medals and personal bests.

Athletics training continued with preparation for Sports Day, with several cricket and rounders fixtures thrown in for good measure. The cricket and rounders fixtures for both the Junior and Senior School were very successful, particularly as many pupils had not played competitive cricket before. Sports Day was an incredible event, and all of our athletes should be very proud of their achievements. Thanks must go to everyone involved in organising the day, the PSPA for keeping us refreshed and all the parents and grandparents for turning out to spectate in number.

Our final event of the year was the Junior Athletics Quad Kids event, which brings us to our **Junior Sports Star of the Term**. Finishing as the best female athlete and third place overall at Quad Kids, **Alicia Feather** is one of our finest young athletes. She performs week in and week out, can turn her hand (or foot) to any sport and represents the school with great pride. Alicia has had a fabulous term in all sports and enjoyed a super Sports Day too, and we all look forward to seeing what she can do in the Senior School.

Performing just as well in the Senior Athletics Championships, our **Senior Sports Star of the Term** is **Daisy Sheaff**. Winning the 100m and, as part of the Year 8 team, the 4x100m relay as well, Daisy went through to represent the Island in the Hampshire Athletics Championship. Daisy always performs to her very best, leads by example and represents the school in cricket and rounders too. She is a role model for her peers and an ambassador for Priory and we are very much looking forward to the defence of her title next year!

Priory School Sports Department thanks you all for your support at fixtures, Sports Day and more. We wish you all the best summer and look forward to seeing you all in September.

Mr B