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To The School Head Teacher or Head of Information Technology

Oxfordshire Schools Web Competition 2005

The Oxfordshire Branch of the **British Computer Society**, with the backing of the Oxfordshire Schools' ICT Advisory Team, is again running a competition for school teams to develop a website – or part of a website - which can be entered for one of the prizes in the following categories:

Primary School (Age range 5 – 11)

Secondary School (Age range 11 – 16)

The competition is intended to encourage pupils to design a small website on a, preferably local, theme related to their course work. For Key Stages 1, 2 and 3, this year's 'local' theme ties in with units of the QCA schemes of work for geography.

Entries will be judged on content, creativity, teamwork and technical merit.

The BCS and the ICT team want to encourage pupils to explore the strong element of creativity possible with modern tools and to see how their web pages can become part of a valuable local resource. Above all we would like the children to have fun whilst creating a useful and relevant website.

The competition is open to all schools that are within the catchment area of the Oxfordshire Local Education Authority. Entries can be submitted preferably as the URL of a live site but also on floppy disk or CD. The competition will run until May 2005 when judging will take place.

The best entries will be recognised by an invitation to the grand prize giving ceremony in June 2005 at the Shrivenham campus of Cranfield University.

Prizes include the coveted BCS Oxfordshire Schools Computing Challenge Silver Cup, two high specification RM PCs and individual prizes for team members.

Please visit our website to see other wonderful prizes you can win and how much fun we all had at the last prize giving.

Full details are available at www.oxon.bcs.org/webcomp where, if you think you might like to take part, we encourage you to sign up to receive an information pack.

You can also register your interest by post to: BCS Web Competition, 30 Evenlode Drive, Didcot, Oxon, OX11 7XQ.

Yours sincerely

Web Competition Committee.

BCS Oxfordshire Branch

You can email us via www.oxon.bcs.org/webcomp

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