# *the* Foremarke Flyer



The Newsletter of Repton's Preparatory School

# From the Headmaster

Dear Parents,

In the past fortnight we have had both the Lower School Concert and last night the Upper School Concert. Permeating both events and through the pupils' performances was a true love and passion for what each was performing, considerable healthy confidence and presence, plus a huge and varied array of talents and abilities. It is exciting to see the potential all of the pupils have.

The musicians have also performed at Derby Royal Hospital this week with a mixed programme of Christmas and seasonal favourites, performed to out-patients and visitors.

The excitement is building towards the Christmas season and we very much look forward to welcoming you to our various performances and events, particularly the Christmas Fayre, a week tomorrow.

Kind regards,

**Upper School Concert** What a lovely concert! Superb performances from instrumentalists and singers with a packed Theatre and a warm appreciative audience. Many thanks to the Friends of Foremarke for kindly supplying the bar. SB





## From the School Office

Please note that the **Carol service for Boarders** at St Saviour's Church appears twice in this term's calendar. This event actually takes place on **Sunday, 11th December** and <u>not</u> on 4th December. *Thank you* 

### **Sports Notices and News**



### **Boarding News and Notices**

A Gapper's Eye View of Boarding featuring Mr Morgan and Miss Epstein

Two of our Gap students found a moment to sit down to tell us all about themselves and give their insights into boarding at Foremarke ... the quick fire round to start off!



Watch or play sports? Both: 'Play!'

**Morning or Night?** Miss Epstein: 'Morning' / Mr Morgan: 'Night'

**Board games or video games?** Miss Epstein: 'Board games' / Mr Morgan: 'Video games'

**Hockey or Football?** Mr Morgan: 'Football!' / Miss Epstein: 'Can I say swimming?!'

**Dancing or singing:** Mr Morgan: 'Dancing!' / Miss Epstein: 'Singing'

Cats or dogs? Miss Epstein: 'Dogs' / Mr Morgan: 'Cats'

**Describe each other in 3 words:** Miss Epstein: 'Sporty, friendly, laid back'

Mr Morgan: 'Outgoing, funny, chilled'

**Tell me your best joke:** Mr Morgan: 'What do you call a deer without eyes? No idea!'

So, what do you like best about working in boarding?

Miss Epstein: 'Having the opportunity to work in all four houses – getting to know the children really well and being able to talk to everyone'. / Mr Morgan: 'Chatting to the children and having fun and joking with them is what I like most. Quad biking was my favourite trip'.

What do you think about boarding at Foremarke? Miss Epstein: 'It's fun and there is a homely, family feel. All the boarders know each other really well and the older ones look out for the younger ones'. / Mr Morgan: 'It's

busy! There is always something to do and an activity or trip to look forward to'.

### What is the best boarder's meal?

Miss Epstein: 'The chicken wraps and falafels' / Mr Morgan: (instantly) 'McForemarke!'

### What are you looking forward to this term?

Mr Morgan: 'The Boarder's Christmas Feast'. / Miss Epstein: 'The shopping trip and buying some presents for family and friends and returning to Cosmo!'

With thanks to both Miss Epstein and Mr Morgan!

### **Boarder of the Week**



**Kathleen :-** For her maturity, good organisation and really becoming part of the Nightingale family.

### NOTICES

### Christmas Shopping trip

The final boarding trip of the term takes place on Saturday II<sup>th</sup> December. The boarders will be Christmas shopping in Derby and having a meal at Cosmo. £20 spending money each for shopping will be provided. Children should not bring any additional money on the trip please. If you would like your child to attend this trip and have not already signed up please inform Mrs Hill by **Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November**.



### Weekend activities

The boarders and staff are already looking forward to the weekend. We are 'on site' and there are some fantastic activities planned for the boarders. Mrs Waldock has planned a fabulous 'Christmas crafts' session where the children will make their own decorations and baubles and Mr Saunders will be leading a 'Sporting spectacular' and also hoping he can persuade everyone that it is definitely not too early to watch a Christmas film! BHMF

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# **Pre-Prep News**

### NOTICES

Please see the sheet in book bags regarding finish times and pick up locations for Pre-Prep Activities.



### Learning Objectives

### Reception

### Literacy:

To recap the taught digraphs and apply this knowledge when decoding simple words.

<u>Mathematics</u> To add two groups of objects together.

### Year One

English To write their own account of what the shepherds saw on the first Christmas night.

<u>Mathematics</u> To consolidate counting, partitioning and calculating.

### Year Two

<u>English</u> To write the Nativity Story in paragraphs. To include direct speech with appropriate punctuation.

### **Mathematics**

To begin to recognise lines of symmetry. To make symmetrical patterns.

### News



**"Be Polite" A Golden Rule** Golden Leaves are awarded to children who follow the 'Golden Rules' particularly well. Congratulations to:-



| Nursery                        | Reception              |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| Talha Mohammed                 | Nathan Alreja          |
| Marni Toor                     | Annie Pitts            |
|                                | Evelyn Szabo           |
|                                | Phoenix Zhou           |
|                                |                        |
| Year 1                         | Year 2                 |
| <b>Year 1</b><br>Harriet Ellis | Year 2<br>Henry Snooks |
|                                |                        |
| Harriet Ellis                  | Henry Snooks           |



Tickets going fast! Only a few tickets remaining, please send your slips in today!



### Year Two Venture to our Amazing Art Block

The Year Two children are currently studying 'The Victorians'. As part of this unit, artists and styles of art from this period have been researched.

The children had the opportunity to make a Victorian cameo from clay in our amazing Art Room. They were very excited to sit in this fantastic, inspiring room where they cut out a side profile photograph of themselves. Next the children rolled clay out, attached their photograph and carefully cut out their profile. As you can see from Amelie's and Alistair's work the results are fantastic and they look just like them! Then the children attached them to a clay tile with slip and later they were fired in the kiln. The children will be painting their cameos and we can't wait to see the end product.

Everyone had a brilliant time. An experience that will definitely be remembered. A huge 'thank you' to Mrs Casey for inviting us into her beautiful Art Room!

# **Lower School News**

### Year 3 Geography



Year 3 are looking at various aspects of mapping this term. From Google Earth we zoomed in on Foremarke and this week the children used a scale map of the school to follow a route around the grounds.







### Dates for the Diary

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December Friends of Foremarke Christmas Fayre. From 12.00pm Sports Hall.

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December** Lower School Christmas Production. 2.30pm Theatre.

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December Lower School Christmas Production. 2.30pm Theatre.

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December** Final day for prep and activities.

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December** Lower School Christmas party.

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December** Interim reports sent home.

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December Carol Service 11am-12noon at Repton Chapel.

Year 3 Art



In Art, Year 3 have been practising their skills using pastels and were asked to continue and complete a landscape picture. They were given half of a picture and, not only did they have to visualise how the remainder of the picture would look, but they also had to match and blend the colours in order to achieve continuity.







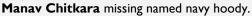
# Academic Stars - week 11

Miss Bushby has seen some fantastic work over the last week and is pleased to announce the following Academic Stars!

| 4M  | Robert Jones         | Science                |
|-----|----------------------|------------------------|
| 4U  | Emilia Bush          | Maths                  |
| 5SG | Zara Dunn            | Geography              |
|     | Jacob Ingleston-Orme | Geography              |
|     | Angus Maronge        | French                 |
|     | William Morrison     | Geography              |
|     | Amanpreet Thandi     | Geography              |
| 5ES | Jemima Leavesley     | Maths                  |
| 6IC | Saffron Hibbert      | Geography, History     |
|     | Daisy Wong           | English x 2, Geography |
| 6NW | Hatti Harman         | English                |
|     | Elena Komova         | French                 |
| 6AE | Gaia Cooper          | Maths                  |
|     | Alice Marriott       | Maths                  |
|     | Polly Sisson         | Maths                  |
| 7PW | Jenna Davies         | RS, Latin              |
|     | Hugo Hendon          | Science, Geography     |
| 7KC | Ayrton Baugh         | English                |
|     | Charlie Buffin       | Latin                  |
|     | Harriet Jackson      | Geography              |
|     | Michael Williamson   | English, Science, RS   |
| 7GW | Louis Allen          | RS                     |
|     | Alex Gabriel         | French                 |
|     | Alessandra Harris    | French                 |
|     | Anna Tverdokhlebov   | French, Geography      |
| 7PR | Saya Imako           | Maths, French          |
|     | Phillippa Jowett     | Geography              |
| 8GK | Jiina Sashida        | Maths                  |
| 8RW | Eldar Denikeyev      | English, Maths, RS     |
| 8ST | Ron Poon             | Maths                  |
|     |                      |                        |

### LOST PROPERTY

**Sophie Steele** is missing her named V-Neck jumper.





## Upper School Sweets and Gifts

In the approach to Christmas celebrations, please could we ask that Upper School pupils refrain from bringing in sweets and gifts to school in the last week of term. We would



prefer that any gifts for friends be dealt with outside of school if at all possible, which will hopefully remove some of the pressure for pupils to have to reciprocate the gift and would also go some way to avoiding the inevitable imbalance that occurs when gifts are given out between the pupils in the classroom.

There will be a form party on the penultimate afternoon of the Michaelmas Term for Upper School pupils to spend some time with the rest of their form and their Form Tutor and this would offer the opportunity for suitable food and drinks to be brought into school for everybody to enjoy together under the supervision of the Form Tutor.

Thank you.



On Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November seven of our instrumentalists accompanied by Mrs Bloor, Mr Martin and Mr Spalton, visited Derby Royal Hospital. The children played a

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selection of Christmas carols for three quarters of an hour to numerous people, including patients and staff, who were passing through the main corridor – many stopped to listen and gave generously to the charity which the hospital was supporting on that day. The children were then treated to hot chocolate after what was a most rewarding experience for them – many lovely comments were made from the members of the public and our young musicians saw again how music can lift the spirits of people and brighten their day.

A huge thank you to our performers: Harriet, Reims, Olly, Millie, Eleonora, Caitlin and Max ... and to Mr Spalton for providing us with the link for this performing opportunity and to Mr Martin for kindly driving us there and back. SB





Festive Stalls. Gift Ideas, Kids Crafts, Refreshments, House Tables, Carol Singing and Father Christmas visiting from 12.30 til 2.30

Thank you ... to all those who supported the Friends' Bar at last night's highly successful Upper School Concert. Special thanks to Sarah, Nyika, Lesley and Dons for all their help on what was a very busy evening! LL



### Help required for Christmas Fayre

As per the House tradition the four School Houses will be present at the Christmas Fayre. Each House will run a stall to raise as much money for charity as they can.



Book donations can be left under the stairs in the Quad building, sweets and cakes can be taken to the office for collection. IC

### **Tim Toft Violins**

(sellers of all string instruments) will be at the Christmas Fayre

If you need new strings, rosin, anything connected to your instrument this is the chance to sort it. Advanced or-

ders can be taken. New instruments can also be tested out. Please request in advance.

Tel: 01785 811860 or info@timtoftviolins.com

### **Christmas Shoe Box Appeal**





On Wednesday, our annual appeal for Christmas shoeboxes was collected by the President Elect of the Rotary Club of Derby, Mrs Pat Zamora MBE. The total number collected, verified by our own Bursar's Assistant, Mrs Powney, was 114 beating last year's total ... by just the

one! Thank you to all who donated. We provided some very willing helpers to pack Mrs Zamora's car!

Operation Christmas Child distributes these shoeboxes on an unconditional basis to children of all different faiths and of no faith at all. This year, our collection will be given to children who are refugees in Moldova, an Eastern European country and former Soviet republic. DMI





GCP are a Derby based performance company who deliver pitch and gym based athletic development sessions for young athletes across the East Midlands. The GCP coaches are planning to deliver extra-curricular multi sports specific sessions to our pupils from January 2017 subject to take up of the trial sessions. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis. SM



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Thursday 1st December Pre-Prep 15:30-16:00 x 20 places Junior 16:15-17:00 x 20 places

Senior 17:00-18:00 x 20 places To reserve your son/daughters space please email

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