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From the Headmaster

Dear Parents.

"It's getting to look a lot like Christmas ..." with the arrival of this year's Christmas trees, all decorated and sparkling with lights. Songs of the season are being rehearsed throughout the school in preparation for the numerous forthcoming concerts and Christmas productions. The children are so busy in these last weeks of term.

The Friends' Christmas Fayre tomorrow promises to be as good as ever and will be a great opportunity to start off the Christmas shopping. Much organisation and hard work is put into this annual event by the Friends' team - I hope to see a good many of you there.

Kind regards,





Last gasp goal gives John Taylor victory at Burton & District Cup Final

Foremarke's 1st XI played at St George's Park on Wednesday against John Taylor High School in the Final of the Burton & District Cup. They were play-





ing in the footsteps of Lionel Messi and other England stars who have played there before them. The boys graced the pitch with a brave performance, just missing out on victory in a last-minute goal from their opponents. We are very proud of them ... well done, boys! **IC**



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 **not** on 4th December. *Thank you*

Sports Notices and News



UIIA Girls' Hockey

For a great performance on Thursday at Terra Nova. It was lovely to see their link play through midfield to develop their numerous attacking options

2017 Cricket Equipment Now Available

10th December 2016 - 12.15pm onwards in the Sports Hall Leading brands available

For more information please contact Clean Hit Cricket at: 07771 718998 or email: sales@cleanhitcricket.co.uk





Fensom's Fabulous Fencing @ Foremarke

Last Saturday an East Midland regional fencing competition took place in our sports hall. As well as many Foremarke pupils, this involved fencers from outside the school and was organised by Mr Bob Fensom, our experienced fencing coach, who has run fencing for two decades at the school.

There were both senior and junior competitions taking part at the same time. The tournament started with a preliminary round after which Mr Fensom worked out the seeding for the final, knock out stage.

We can boast a fantastic surge of interest from junior members of the pupil body with the following children all taking part, for some in their first ever proper competition. Ranging from Lower School up to Year 6 well done to the following pupils: Jonathan Brain (4M), Zach Garner (4H), Veniamin Ogir (3C), Daniel Moore (5ES),

Arun Mattu (3M), Lemeul Melchzadeck (6IC) and Joshua Hepworth (6NW). Tudor Man (4U) and Zoe Barkey (4M) eventually won bronze medals. An exhilarating final put Sam Parkin (6NW) and Ben Parkin ((4U) together in a highly competitive brother vs brother fight for gold. Ben lead most of the way but older brother Sam just managed to fight back to win 10 - 9 overall.

The competition was fascinating to watch. Fencing requires not only good swordsmanship but a tactical awareness too – do you attack or parry your opponent and go on the defensive? It is also very much an individual performance so emotions can

run high with many bouts ending closely with only one or two points between winner and loser. However, sport is all about learning to win modestly and to lose with grace and this was summed up by a grinning Ben Parkin emerging from behind his mask at the end of a hard fought tussle.

In the senior competition Will Davison (8SO) and Caitlin Grainger-Spivey (8ST) fought skilfully. However, it was Stelios Dex (6NW) who managed to claim a bronze medal in the senior league having been promoted above his age group due to his advanced skills in this sport. With a mixture of Muhammad Ali and Errol Flynn he danced like a butterfly around his opponents and occasionally stung like a bee! Two talented and experienced older children from outside Foremarke won silver and gold.



Our thanks go to the ex-Foremarke pupils who returned to help umpire and organise the tournament: Alex Wilson, Ethan Coupland-Smith, Thomas Tudor, Joseph Presley-King (all now at Repton) and Will Toon, recently having won gold at a prestigious tournament in Loughborough only last week; it was good to see them all again.

Finally, thanks to Mr Fensom for his unstinting enthusiasm to make this a popular and successful sport for so many years. The future certainly looks bright for fencing at Foremarke.

Mr Wells (who only dropped in to see the boys in his form fight and remained, entranced, for the next two hours!)

Sports Extra!

FFL Week 6 Winners: LOCOMOTIVE

Cameron R, Alex G, George E, Rory K, Julian F and William D

FFL Week 6 Most Valuable Players:

Charlie H and Otter B





Elena skates to the podium

Many congratulations to Elena K (6NW) who took part in the British Figure Skating Championships held on Tuesday at the iceSheffield Arena and achieved a brilliant 2nd place. Elena was competing in the Novice A Ladies category with a total of 40 girls from all over the UK who were I-2 years her senior. She was the only competitor in this category who landed the double axel jump in her programme (this is considered to be the most difficult jump and she made two of them!). Elena says that she is pleased with her performance achieving a silver medal but her goal remains to be the absolute Champion of the UK.

It is wonderful to have Foremarke's name associated with yet another high level performance.







Lent Term one2one cricket coaching ...

with ECB Level 4 coach, Howard Dytham, and Derbyshire opening batsman, Paul Borrington.

Please contact Mr Hobson as soon as possible: ahobson@foremarke.org.uk



Boarding News and Notices



House decoration competition

The houses have been decorating their Christmas trees, which all look fantastic, and are all keenly decorating their houses for the 'House Christmas decoration competition' – our Christmas loving judge Mrs Kelly will be looking for creativity, originality and imagination when making her decision next week!

This weekend

We are 'on site' again this weekend and the staff have some great plans for Sunday. Mr Casey will be running a 'Total Wipeout' event in the swimming pool and Miss Ellis and Miss Mutlow will be running a crafts session including snowflake making and there will again be a chance to just relax with plans to watch 'Home Alone' to finish the day.



Boarder of the Week



Cameron: For his fantastic speaking at the Charities assembly and for fully embracing the Christmas spirit!

NOTICES

Lent term trip replies

Please return the Lent term trip replies form to Mrs Hill as soon as possible. Panto tickets will be booked this week and we will not be able to add additional children thereafter.

End of term letter and travel form

Mrs Hill's end of term letter will be sent out to boarding parents today. A reminder that the deadline for the return of the accompanying travel form is **Wednesday 7**th **December**. Mrs Hill would be very grateful for the return of all forms by this date.

Christmas Fayre signing out arrangements

If you are collecting your child this Saturday at 12.30pm please sign out in the House books as normal. The boarders will be attending the Fayre from 1.15pm so if you are collecting after 1:15 and during the Fayre itself please sign out with the Gap on duty on the sports hall door so that we are aware that your child has left safely with you.



Pre-Prep News

NOTICES

Polite reminder: Reception, Year One and Year Two children need to be in school between 10.00am and 10.15am on Saturday 10th December, in order to be ready for the second performance of "Baubles" at 11.00am.



Reception

News

This week in Reception we have been turning our attention to Christmas. We have enjoyed talking about all the lovely things we would like from Father Christmas and have written him a letter in our very best writing. We hope he replies! We have also seen lots



of Santa's helpers, the robins, in our play area. We



have tried to show them how hard we are working and hope they tell Father Christmas the good news. Finally we have enjoyed visiting the theatre in order to practise for our upcoming show 'Baubles'. We have practising how to sing our songs with lovely

loud, clear voices and have enjoyed learning our dances. We are getting very excited!!

LOST PROPERTY

Blue jumper with the name **Ehmun Sandhu**, please return to Pre-Prep.



Tobias Lloyd has lost his named school hat. Please return to Pre-Prep.

"Be Gentle" A Golden Rule

Golden Leaves are awarded to children who follow the 'Golden Rules' particularly well. Congratulations to:-

Nursery	Reception
Cressida Wright	Monty Embery
Archie Naylor	Toby Hodges
	Verity Ingham
	William Devey Smith
Year 1	Year 2
Year 1 Euan Mackenzie	Year 2 Harneve Sandhu
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Euan Mackenzie	Harneve Sandhu

Learning Objectives

Reception

Literacy:

To look at and understand the true meaning of Christmas.

Mathematics

To make our own addition number sentences.

Year One

Fnalish

To write a Christmas message using capital letters, full stops and neat handwriting.

Mathematics

To be able to complete simple number sentences where one number is missing.

Year Two

English

To write an explanation about the important changes Florence Nightingale made to nursing.

Mathematics

To practise counting on in 2s, 5s or 10s. To review and consolidate concepts.

Lower School News

Year 4 DT

Year 4 children have shown tremendous skill in DT to produce zoetropes. There were many skills to be learnt in order to use the specialist equipment accurately. Here are 2 examples of the finished articles.



Lower School Christmas Production

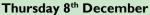
The children have been very busy rehearsing for their Christmas Show and are now looking forward to having an audience.

Dress Rehearsal - Thursday 8th December, 2.30pm Theatre Main Performance - Friday 9th December, 2.30pm Theatre

Dates for the Diary

Saturday 3rd December

Friends of Foremarke Christmas Fayre. From 12.00pm Sports Hall.



Lower School Christmas Production. 2.30pm Theatre.

Friday 9th December

Lower School Christmas Production. 2.30pm Theatre.

Tuesday 13th December

Final day for prep and activities.

Thursday 15th December

Lower School Christmas party.

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Interim reports sent home.

Friday 16th December

Carol Service 11am-12noon at Repton Chapel.

LOST PROPERTY

Jessica Grace (6NW) is missing her named school coat.

Angus Maronge (5SG) is missing his named blue+orange Grays hockey bag, containing hockey stick/gumshield/shin pads. Left in boys' chaggers last Friday am.

Harriet Harte (6IC) is missing her named hoody.

Freddie Lake (8ST) is missing his dark blue watch with rubber strap, Garmin, last seen in Chaggers.

Jack Sherwood (6AE) is missing his named navy school coat from his form room last week.



Primary Maths Challenge

Once again this year, some of our pupils in Year 5 and Year 6 recently competed in the Primary Maths Challenge. This is a national competition aimed to challenge the more able mathematicians in the country. Congratulations to the following who have achieved awards this year:

Gold: Angel Shen, Louis Watson

Silver: Rufus Coulborn, Oliver Ewart-White, Elisabeth Fraser, Elena Komova, Lemuel Melchizadeck, Zak Wedgwood

Bronze: Rory Donegan, George Gilmore, Saffron Hibbert, Oliver Hughes, Olivia Ingham, Ava Marriott, Sophia Middleton, William Morrison, Joshua Parish, Johnny Rush, Luca Stanojevic, Thomas Taylor, Peter Yang.



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. PM





















Academic Stars - Week 12

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

3C	Jemima Blunt	Art
	Zoe Mackenzie	Art
	Magnus Watson	Art
	Oliver Way	Art
3M	Pippa Bond	Art
	Brady Eardley	Art
	Kayla Gabriel	Art
	Felix Merlin	Science
	Jack Prince	English
	Aanya Rai	Science
	Isabella Thompstone	Art
4M	Poppy Mercer	English
	Effie Moseley	English
4H	Tom Graves	English, Geography
	Freddie Moseley	RS
	Amily Sinka	Geography
	Martha Wong	Geography
4U	Emilia Bush	Maths
	Ben Parkin	RS
5SG	Lea Barkey	French
	Gil Grace	French, Geography, History
	William Morrison	French
	N'Sira Wills-Diawara	French
5ES	Charles Blunt	French
5JC	Charlie Colclough	English, History
	Isla Fitzgerald	French
	Caoimbhe Kirtland	French
	Max Weldon	French
	Henry Wood	History
	Cameron Wright	Science, French
6IC	Oliver Ewart-White	Latin
	Elisabeth Fraser	RS
	Saffron Hibbert	Latin
	Olivia Ingham	RS, Latin
	Sophia Middleton	Latin
	Daisy Wong	Latin

6NW	Sam Parkin	English
	Sakurako Sashida	Maths
6AE	Claudia Cooper	French x 2
	Gaia Cooper	Science
	Polly Sisson	English
7RN	Jacques Hibbs	Latin
	Archie Hidderley	Maths, French
	Jessica Liu	Classical Studies
	lakov Polyakov	French x 2
7PW	Jenna Davies	English, RS
7KC	Ayrton Baugh	French
	Charlie Buffin	English
	Harriet Jackson	English, Geography
	Michael Williamson	Science, RS, Latin
7GW	Louis Allen	French, Latin
	Alessandra Harris	RS
	Megan Prince	French, Latin x 2
	James Russell	Science
	Anna Tverdokhlebov	Geography
7JD	Ekaterina Aksenova	French, Classical Studies
	Felix Bicknell	English
	Leila Clark	English, Maths, RS, Latin
	Freya Wedgwood	English x 2, French, Latin x 2
7PR	Finn Flanagan	Maths, Latin x 2
	William Groves	Latin
8GK	Jiina Sashida	Maths, RS
8RW	Holly Davis	English x 2, Latin, PSHE
8SK	Freddie Cann	Maths x 2
8JW	Adaia Flotats Boix	RS
	Cameron Wagg	French
	Oliver Weldon	Maths, Science x 2, French
8ST	Tajinder Thandi	Maths x 2, History x 2



From the School Nurses

The medical team would like to remind parents of the following:

- If your child has an injury or illness which deems them unfit to participate in games lessons or matches and/or swimming please send an email or letter informing the school nurse. The email/letter should state the reason for the pupil being off sports and the duration of time that they will be unable to participate. This information is essential for both medical and sports staff to organise the week particularly on Wednesdays and Saturdays fixtures.
- Parents who have an asthmatic child are reminded that it is recommended that they receive an annual influenza vaccination. All day children and boarders who remain registered with their home GP should arrange this directly with their local surgery if they so wish.
- Any food that parents wish children to bring to school (for example cakes, biscuits or chocolates) must be arranged with the form teacher in advance. There are a large number of pupils with severe food allergies at school and this must be taken into consideration before any foodstuffs which have not been provided by the school are brought in.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.



So it's nearly Christmas!

Huge thanks to Rachel Luft for the massive amount of work she's done for this year's Christmas Fayre. Hope to see everyone on Saturday in the Sports Hall from 12 noon.

Thanks also to Laura Leahy for organising the bar for last week's Upper School Concert and to Sarah Steele and Lesley Prince for helping out on the night.

Look out for us at next week's Mulled Wine & Mince Pies event in the Assembly Hall, sandwiched between the Pre-Prep Christmas Production and Upper School House Football Matches.

And don't forget, we'll be making a big announcement about the Friends of Foremarke 2017 Ball soon ...

Phew, such a busy time - but lots of fun too. See you soon!

Dons Coleston-Shields (Chair, Friends of Foremarke)



Repton School

Christmas Bands' Concert



FREE ADMISSION

Tickets available from
The Lodge, Repton School or on the door

tel: (01283) 559200