the Foremarke Flyer

The Newsletter of Repton's Preparatory School

From the Headmaster

Dear Parents

Another week has flown by. The Cricket and Rounders season is underway and the Greenpower Team have tested the F24 cars in preparation for the start of their season, at a cold but glorious Goodwood.

Last night the Foremarke Festival of Singing permitted many fine voices to be showcased and enjoyed. Congratulations to Teddy Fluck and Sophie Lewis who will have the honour of singing at Speech Day.

The new cricket nets are proving to be a tremendous new facility, providing noticeable benefits to the pupils' cricketing abilities and techniques.

Open Morning tomorrow allows the pupils once again to demonstrate the excellence on offer at Foremarke and our rich broad curriculum. All are welcome to attend. Our musicians will once again be putting on a short informal concert at 10.30am.

I am sure you will enjoy reading Jon Holmes' article on the many exciting aspects and benefits of boarding. The boarding houses are, over the coming months, being fully redecorated and updated in preparation for the start of the new academic year.

These are truly exciting times at Foremarke. Congratulations to the eight Foremarke boys of last year's cohort who won the National U14 Hockey title on Tuesday. They were part of an amazing and unprecedented National treble win for Repton's U14,U16 and U18 sides which were bursting with OF talent. This is a great credit to the start the pupils receive in their sporting lives; well done.



Foremarke Racing test day at Goodwood

See the website blog for more details.

http://www.foremarke.org.uk/19th-April-Test-Day -at-Goodwood



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New cricket nets

The new cricket nets have to be seen to be believed. They are an extraordinary addition to our incredible sporting facilities here at Foremarke. The all-weather surface is true and forgiving with full bowlers run ups. Each of the four lanes has indicators enabling bowlers to zone in on the stumps with greater consistency. This addition has to be the envy of the Prep School world!

Mr Hobson





Pre-Prep News

Pre-Prep Learning Objectives -Summer Week 3 Reception Literacy: To write a fact about a farm animal. **Mathematics:** To subtract two single-digit numbers by counting back along a number line. Year One **Mathematics** To partition two digit numbers into tens and units. To order numbers up to 30 and higher. **English:** To compose Dragon Poems, using repetitive patterns. Year Two **Mathematics:** To classify and describe common 2D and 3D shapes. To begin to recognise halves and quarters of shapes and numbers of objects. **English:** To write a descriptive piece about a dream using idioms.

Tennis Club There will be No Tennis Club on Thursday 30th April.

Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers will end on 5th May and the collecting box is in the Pre-Prep Reception should anyone have any vouchers that that wish to donate.

PLAYTIME STARS AWARD





"Be polite" A Golden Rule

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

Nursery	Reception
Sophia Tasker	Molly Brailsford
Alexa Clemson	Millie Harrison
Nico Stanojevic	Jack Scott
	Bertie Latham-Boal
Year 1	Year 2
Year 1 Tahir Mohammed	Year 2 Samuel Savage
Tahir Mohammed	Samuel Savage

News from Year One

In Year One we have started our new topic on Castles.



In Forest Schools, the children were given the challenge to design their own castle. This was a wonderful opportunity for teamwork and the vocabulary used by the children to explain a n d demonstrate the features of each castle was most impressive.

On а cross curricular basis, have we also linked our topic to our Science work on pushes and pulls. The children have enjoyed exploring medieval wardesigning fare, weapons to attack a castle and thinking about the forces involved.





Lower School News

Foremarke Plus – Nature Activity

It was a beautiful sunny day for our first Foremarke Plus session of the term and so the Nature Activity made the most of the weather and went off exploring our grounds, trying to complete a scavenger hunt.







3C Musical Concert - Friday 1st May

This will take place in the theatre at 12 noon and will involve all of the children in 3C, either playing their instruments or taking part in a class song. Parents are welcome to attend.



Swimming Gala – Monday 20th April

Well done to all of the children who took part in our exciting and rather noisy Swimming Gala on Monday. Everyone enjoyed their events and it was lovely to see such good team spirit and sportsmanship. Thank you, also, to those parents who were able to come and cheer the children on.

Here are a few comments from the children:-

'I was sad that my team didn't win but I was happy that I got to take part and be a Whale!'

Caoimbhe Kirtland 3M

'I thought the backstroke race was the best and we all got to cheer loudly!'

Hugo Royston-Webb 3C

'I was really happy because we all got medals and it was fairer than at my old school where I used to have to race against years 5 and 6!'

Nicholas Dickens 4J

'The canon relay was the best bit for me as it was the decider between two teams. I was a Dolphin and we won!'

Daisy Wong 4J



Year 3 Parents' Meetings

A letter should have arrived home this week with details of the parents' meetings which will take place in Week 5 on Monday 11th May and Wednesday 13th May. Please can all slips be completed and returned by next Wednesday (29th April). Thank you

BHMF (Boarders Have More Fun)



Now that we are all back at Foremarke and it is everyone's favourite term, we are looking forward to a busy term in the Boarding Community. 'Crammed to the rafters' in the three main boarding houses and Flexihouse on Fridays, it's going to be a good one! The first half of the term, of course, is going to be 'work, work, work'.....well with a dose of fun thrown in. Remember BHMF.

One of the advantages of being a boarder is that in the evenings academic staff are on call. Whether it be English with Mr Wells, Science with Mrs Waldock, History with Mr Holmes, French with Mrs Newham or Geography with Mr Hobson; there is always a member of staff around to help. Boarders have the advantage of going straight into tea, then have free reign of the school grounds and facilities to play and relax before having complete access to teachers for prep before relaxing with their friends.

Over the course of this term the weekends on site will be spent revising, playing cricket in the new nets, enjoying whole school commando and using the swimming pool. Trips will be to the CBBC in Manchester, Drayton Manor, Lake Derwent and Ladybower and rock climbing. The Summer term also sees the Annual Boarders Family Weekend. More than any other term, this has been called the 'Memory Making Term' for Boarders. Exams out the way, hot summer evenings with your friends, stories are told and made – life is good! BHMF.

Over Twenty Signs that you went to Boarding School (For parents!)

- 1. You still make your bed every morning, out of habit.
- 2. You have an abundance of socks with name tags in.
- 3. You've never had a snow day.
- 4. You're totally comfortable with public speaking.
- 5. You can recite Shakespeare on command
- 6. The Medical Centre is known as the San or Surgery

7. You will always know a cafeteria as the "Dining Hall"

8. The comfort food you miss isn't your mummy's secret recipe, but your school's.

9. You still and always will know the telephone number for the school office and the school postcode.

10. You still look forward to receiving handwritten post.

11. You are still in touch with at least five people from your boarding house.

12. You still remember the story about your boarding house ghost.

13. Expulsion would have been a fate worse than death.

14. You have retained the ability to read a book with a torch under your covers and occasionally still do it.

15. You have friends from all over the world.

16. The film '*Dead Poets Society*' will forever hold a special place in your heart.

17. Your boarding school friends will be your best friends in your life.

18. The two words 'Tuck Shop' still sends your heart racing.

19. Post Summer exam evenings with your friends are as memorable as your summer holidays.

20. You remember the time when your House-parent totally lost it with.....'

21. You can still remember the name of your Matron.

See the latest Boarding photos from last weekend on our web site http://www.foremarke.org.uk/Summer-Week-I

Rounders season underway





7th - 9th July 2015 10.00am - 3.00pm

Open to pupils currently in Years 1– Year 7

Contact: Mr Clarkson (<u>iclarkson@foremarke.org.uk</u>)

Cost: £75.00 / £30.00 per day

Cheques made payable to: <u>Repton Preparatory School</u> (please hand in at the School office c/o Mr Clarkson)

SPORTS NOTICES

Help with Wednesday late Fixtures

Please be aware that our Flexi Boarding facility is always available to parents who struggle to collect after late fixtures, particularly during the cricket season. Please contact Claire Waldock for further details.

Saturday 25th April arrangements

Girls' Rounders training Ist, 2nd, UIIA UI0A Training I.30pm -3.30pm All girls are aware if they should be attending.

Boys' Cricket First round House Matches take place Children are aware 1.30pm - 4pm

Changes to published fixtures

Wednesday 29th April

Foremarke V Fairfield rounders matches now start at 2pm

We are so proud of the new cricket nets!



Attention budding Triathletes!

IAPS NATIONAL TRIATHLON CHAMPIONSHIPS Sunday June 14th Dulwich Prep School

Please contact Mrs Mansfield <u>smansfield@foremarke.org.uk</u> for further details.

Boarders of the Week



Julia For being very kind to all new boarders and being a fantastic guardian. JH



Jake Who overcame his fear of swimming this week! We are very proud of him. JH

Lost Property

Jobim Ffrench has lost his blazer. Could parents please be vigilant that it has not been taken home by mistake? Thank you



Attention parents of 6GK and 7PS

Academic Scholarship

Information Evening

Tuesday 5th May

6.30pm

Richard Theobald Theatre

This event is an opportunity for you, and your children, to gain information about Academic Scholarship; the process of selection, the courses that are followed, our expectations and the process of assessment.

After a short presentation there will be an opportunity to ask questions, to speak with Heads of Department about any specific enquiries that you may have, and to join us for a glass of something refreshing.

Please look out for a letter sent home from Miss Bushby regarding this event.



Please visit Abbie Wall's cake stall

Saturday 2nd May

(Exeat Saturday)

12.35pm on Front Square

All proceeds to The Dog's Trust.

Year 6 at Wonderful Warwick



When we got off the bus a tour guide called Ben gave us a talk about the 'Attack & Defence' of the castle. I thought afterwards that the castle's best defence system was the archers. They were able to fire down at the attackers whilst the castle walls and narrow slits kept them fairly safe from enemy fire. I also liked the portcullis because when the soldiers went in they would get trapped as the second portcullis came down. As the soldiers entered the gatehouse the defenders closed the portcullis and the enemy were shot by arrows and if they tried to get shelter under the gateway the soldiers poured hot sand and unmentionable other substances on their heads!

After this we went to watch the trebuchet being fired. It was amazing as the gigantic wooden arm edged closer to the floor before finally exploding forward as the stone hurtled through the air to pelt towards its target.

After lunch we explored the curtain walls, it was really creepy because when we were going up the stairs there was a sinister wax figure that you could see through the gap in the wall. When we arrived at the top of the tower the views were amazing.

Next we visited the King Maker's Exhibition where there were many more waxwork models such as boys firing arrows, men preparing for battle and writing on scrolls and people cooking as well.

Next it was on to the gaol, a really creepy, damp prison room where a skeleton in rags hung from a cage and where we discovered a grate in the floor where prisoners would have been kept and forgotten about.

Finally, we went to watch the archery display which was really good fun. The archer continuously hit the target and talked to us about the history of archers and bowmen in medieval times.

Many thanks to all the staff who organised this great trip.

By Oscar Adams-O'Rorke



Friends of Foremarke



The Friends of Foremarke cordially invite you to their

Diamond Anniversary Ball

Celebrating 75 years of foremarke 1940 - 2015

TWENTY SIXTH SEPTEMBER TWENTY FIFTEEN

Reception drinks at 7:00pm Carriages at 1.30am





Irice Ier Ticket £85

THERE ARE A LIMITED NUMBER OF TICKETS AVAILABLE AND THESE WILL BE ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS.

PLEASE MAKE CHEOUES PAYABLE TO FRIENDS OF FOREMARKE AND REMIT TO FRIENDS OF FOREMARKE, FOREMARKE HALL, MILTON, DERBYSHIRE DE65 6EJ

FOR BANK DETAILS OR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT FRIENDS_OF_FOREMARKE@YAHOO.CO.UK



Friends of Foremarke Meeting

Wednesday 29th April 8.30am Hall Cottage Meeting Room (HCMR) All welcome

The Stock Exchange

Find us in the green portacabin behind the Tom Davies building. We will next be open Saturday 9th May I2noon - I2:45pm





Academíc Stars

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

Léa Barkey Lily Clancy Charlie Colclough Charlie Coleston-Shields Roberta English	Art English Geography, Art English
Charlie Colclough Charlie Coleston-Shields	Geography, Art
Charlie Coleston-Shields	
	English
Roberta English	
	English
Gil Grace	History
Isobel Orpin	Geography
Sophie Steele	English
Amanpreet Thandi	English
Isobel Warrilow	English
Alfie Baines	Geography
Charles Blunt	Geography
Gabriela Costa	English, Geography
Isla Fitzgerald	Geography
Amelia Hall	English
Caoimbhe Kirtland	English
Joshua Parish	English
Edward Wagstaff	English
Max Weldon	English
Freya Bruno	English
Maisy Hetherington	Maths
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	Science, History
True Grant	Science
Leo Pollock	Science
Alisha Warsi	Maths
Saffron Hibbert	Maths
Alexander Millard	English
Polly Sisson	Science
Julia Smith	Science
Francesca Thacker-Martin	Science
	Sophie Steele Amanpreet Thandi Isobel Warrilow Alfie Baines Charles Blunt Gabriela Costa Isla Fitzgerald Amelia Hall Caoimbhe Kirtland Joshua Parish Edward Wagstaff Max Weldon Freya Bruno Maisy Hetherington Lara German True Grant Leo Pollock Alisha Warsi Saffron Hibbert Alexander Millard Polly Sisson Julia Smith

5SD	Henry Geutjens	English x 2
	Sienna Swoyer	English
5EL	Katherine Marshall	Geography
5JC	Effie Bowley	French
	Henrietta Davenport	Geography
	Victoria Diksa	Geography
	Libby Ottewell	French
	Joe Sookias	Maths, Geography
6GK	Caitlin Grainger-Spivey	Latin
6NW	Bronte Brough	Maths, Science
	Sophia Dex	History
	Savita Sunner	Maths
7IC	Amelie Naylor	French x 2
7SJT	Eliza Martin	French x 2
7NB	Molly Gilmore	Maths
	William Ingham	French
7JD	Alice Markham	Maths
8SJ	Tom Bloor	English
	Elliot Jon Hall	English x 2
8JVV	Jacob Savage	English, French
8RA	Sebastian Sayer	English, Science
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From the School Nurse

Now the weather is turning warmer please remember to provide your child with a named water bottle, school hat and high SPF sunscreen.



Thank you

