# the Foremarke Flyer



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# From the Headmaster

Dear Parents

The cheers at the end of the Common Entrance (CE) examinations for Y8 were audible on Thursday morning. The pupils have acquitted themselves splendidly throughout the examination period. They are now busy preparing themselves for their visit to Anglesey next week. They will receive their results upon return.

Years 5, 6 and 7 are now into their internal examinations. For all it can be a very pressured time but I am very pleased how calmly the vast majority are approaching the challenge. Remaining calm has been the theme of the week and gentle strategies have been extended to all through assemblies and lessons.

It has also been a great pleasure to welcome the U11 boys' and girls' touring sides from Repton Dubai who arrived on Tuesday and will be with us until early next week. Fixtures have and will be played, as well as a visit to St George's Park.



# Greenpower take 1st and 2nd place on the podium at Mallory Park

The Greenpower team had a hugely successful event this week. See Mr Canavan's full report on the web site:-

http://www.foremarke.org.uk/1st-and-2nd-place-for-Greenpower-at-Mallory-Park





# **Pre-Prep News**

# Pre-Prep Learning Objectives Summer Week 8

## Reception

Literacy:

To review our time in Reception.

Mathematics:

To double numbers up to twenty.

#### Year One

**Mathematics:** 

To consolidate subtraction and giving change.

English

To write a story about Camille and the Sunflowers.

To write a recount about the Reception/Year 1 Picnic.

#### Year Two

#### **Mathematics:**

To estimate a capacity, recording estimates.

To estimate, measure and compare capacities in litres and millilitres.

To read a simple capacity scale.

#### **English:**

To consolidate past tense verbs and to be introduced to the past participle.

#### **After School Activities**

The Ballet activity will be giving a demonstration for parents on the I I<sup>th</sup> June to show their beautiful ballet skills. Football is cancelled on the 8<sup>th</sup> June as Mr Clarkson is unavailable.

Gym Club for Reception Ash and Reception Oak on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June is cancelled.

#### **PLAYTIME STARS AWARD**

Year One





# "Looking after property" A Golden Rule

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

Nursery	Reception
Phoebe Bush	Florence Pawley
Julius Leavesley	Martha Lytle
Toby Hodges	Cesca Padula-Dhillon
	Heidi Ingleston-Orme
Year 1	Year 2
Year 1 Sophia Corbett	Year 2  Max German
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Sophia Corbett	Max German

#### This week

In Year Two, we have been looking at developing the children's vocabulary, and in particular their figurative language. Through the study of Roahl Dahl's 'The BFG', the children were asked to write about a dream that they would like to receive. Many children were able to use similes and idioms, which is simply outstanding! Please do come and have a read of the Year Two's descriptive dreams.

In Art, we have been looking at various artists. Lately, we have been producing Pop Art in the style of Andy Warhol. The children had a fantastic time painting back grounds bright, vivid colours and printing handprints on top. We are very impressed with the results.

Whilst, the Nursery Hedgehogs and Reception forms enjoyed a trip to Tywcross Zoo, the youngest members of Pre-Prep, 'The Squirrels', ventured out to play on the big playground with the older children.

The Year Twos displayed lovely, caring attitudes to the new additions. The Nursery Squirrels really enjoyed the attention and raced around, having a great time.



We were particularly impressed with Robert (2E), who took a shine to little Nico.

The Year Twos have also been getting ready for the transition to Lower School. This week, the children met up with the Year Threes for lunch and had the opportunity to play on the tennis courts with one another. All the children loved playing with Lower School's equipment during this time. The Year Twos and Threes will be meeting up again next Friday. They can't wait!

#### **Pre-Prep Notices**

**Piano Recital** – Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June. 9am in the Music School.

**Morning Concert** – Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June. 8:50am in the Pre-Prep Hall. (Tea and coffee will be served in the Pre-Prep library from 8:15am).

## Year 2 Information Evening - Lower School

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June at 7.00pm, please return your slips if you would like to attend.

#### **Pre-Prep Picnics**

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June is the Nursery Squirrels, Teddy Bears Picnic, don't forget your bears.

Thursday I I<sup>th</sup> June is the Year I and Reception Picnic; please bring an empty small back pack.

# **Lower School News**

# Year 3 Science Day

An overcast and breezy day could not dampen the Year 3s enthusiasm on Monday for their day of science based activities around the school grounds. Indeed, the weather was perfect for worms and the children created some of the best wormeries that Mrs Crisp and Mrs Martin have ever seen.







# **Lost Property**

Josh Roberts (4HU) has lost his named blazer.



### Year 3 DT

Year 3 were given the brief of making a 'clippy'; a peg style note holder which was to be mounted on a base and decorated with a wooden shape. This had to include a hole at the top of the base so that it could be hung up. They used some templates to help them with the size and shape of their wooden shape and the sawing, painting and drilling was all their own work. They each thought carefully about what they would like to use to hang their clippy up with; some choosing to use ribbon, others threading beads onto wool. They all worked hard and their end results were very colourful.







## **SPORTS NOTICES**

# **Repton Dubai**

Mrs Mansfield was delighted to welcome the Repton Dubai touring side for their 2nd visit to Foremarke this week She commented:- "We have enjoyed some great UII fixtures and the boarding boys and girls have really enjoyed their company, particularly during Wednesday night's BBQ."





# **Equestrian Action**

The Equestrian Team were in action over half term at Bow House Equestrian, Bishops Castle hosted by Moor Park School. Seven members entered a variety of classes with a great deal of success. The full results are on the web site Sports Pages:-

www.foremarke.org.uk/Equestrian-Team-Fixtures

If there are any other children interested in joining the team please see Mrs Cooper before the end of term as membership for next year needs to be completed. As a guide you will need to have your own pony and transport and be prepared to jump from 40cm confidently. Willing parents / guardians are essential to take you to rallies and competitions.

# **Donald Carr Trophy**

At last a gloriously sunny day with Repton looking quite the picture of cricketing excellence. In a seven over, eight a side game small margins will invariably make all the difference. Drawn in the group of death, against Prestfelde in our opening salvo, we lost by exactly the same amount of runs as extras that we gave away. We simply had to bowl straighter if we were to progress.

Versus Spratton Hall, Ethan Berlusconi and Benjamin Bond were largely responsible for our winning total of 51. Large boundaries meant plenty of running between the wickets, with oxygen required before we took the field. Such an aid clearly worked well as we were electric in the field, effecting four run outs, with William Orpin skilfully removing the bails at every given opportunity. We bowled better too, chief exponents being Michael Ainger, Zack Brough, Conor Cushley and Alex Mair.

Chasing 49 against Terra Nova, we were once more indebted to Bond and Berlusconi, who made light work of the task. (With less running between the wickets!) Three teams in our group had now won two games and lost one. Cruelly, we were denied the chance of immortality, unable to progress to the final, because of the slightest difference in run rate. Heartbreak! Nevertheless, our one consolation was soundly beating St. Anselm's in the 3rd/4th playoff, with young whippets Ollie Wheldon and Jasper Grace knocking off the required runs. What a day, what a BBQ! If only...

A.D.H.



# Fixture Changes

#### First team Rounders

The fixture v Ranby on Saturday 13th June is cancelled. The fixture on 17th June v Grace Dieu is also cancelled. Apologies for any inconvenience.

If you would like your child to start Flexi Boarding in September you are invited to our....



To book your place and find out more about Flexi-Boarding next term please contact:

Mrs Claire Waldock

Cwaldock@foremarke.org.uk

# 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



## **Attention Y8 Leavers' Parents**

Helen Ottewell (Mother to Alex) in Y8 is organising informal drinks for the Year 8 parents at The John Thompson whilst the Year 8 Children are at their Leavers' Ball.

All are welcome to join Mr and Mrs Ottewell, no formal reply is needed.

See you there!

# Fund Raising for "Stand By Me" Pupil enthusiasm continues!

You may recollect our Gapper, Mr Mellor, has connections with this charity and spoke to our pupils before half term about the work he has done with the charity In Ethiopia.

Following demands from our pupils to have a central point where they could donate there is now a huge empty water bottle in the School Office which is filling up with regular supplies of coins. There is still a long way to go before it is full but the pupils have been bringing in any coins they may have or indeed any notes that they may wish to part with!

Over half term two Foremarke pupils pulled out all the stops and set about raising money for families in crisis.

Henry Gilby and Harriet Coombs were both clearly moved by Mr Mellor's assembly and together raised over £350. Henry ran 50 miles over the course of the week and Harriet managed to persuade her family to step outside their comfort zone by taking on challenges involving swimming in ice cold seas!

Well done to both Henry and Harriet and a big thank you to those who have already contributed to the charity. Please do bring in any change, however small. Our aim is to fill the pot by the end of term and send Mr Mellor back to Ethiopia with a huge cheque to benefit a community in need.

Many thanks Lucy Kelly



# The Stock Exchange

Find us in the green portacabin behind the Tom Davies building.



# Exchange summer opening times

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June 12pm -12.45pm
Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June 12pm -12.45pm
Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July 12pm - 1pm
Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> July 11.30am -12.30pm

On 25<sup>th</sup> July The Exchange will be open in Lower School as our Portacabin is being refurbished

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> August 2pm -3pm Monday 31<sup>st</sup> August 11am -12.30pm

Remember to drop off any uniform you want us to sell at the office or on  $4^{th}$  July at the Exchange. We reimburse you with 70% of the sale price.

We also have some Repton School skirts and track suits in stock.



# Academic Stars

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

3C	Cameron Charlton	English
	Charlie Coleston-Shields	English
	Gil Grace	English
	N'Sira Wills-Diawara	English
3M	Isla Fitzgerald	English
	Jemima Leavesley	English
	Zak Wedgwood	English
4M	Jessica Grace	English
	Maisy Hetherington	English
	Tom Pickering	English
	Louis Watson	English
4J	Rory Donegan	Maths
	Siena Hartdegen	Maths
4HU	Saffron Hibbert	Maths
	Alexander Millard	Science
5SD	Jenna Davies	Science
	Henry Geutjens	Maths
	Kaija Hartdegen	Science
	Thomas Warrilow	Science
	Lara Warneken	Science
5EL	Jacques Hibbs	Science, Geography,
5JC	Joe Sookias	History Science, French, RS
6NW	Cameron Wagg	English
6RN	Oliver Hall	French
7IC	Ethan Ashton	English, Geography,
/10	Ethan Ashton	Classical Studies
	Olivia Ellis	English
7SJT	Lucy Williamson	English
7NB	Tristan Hawksworth	English, Classical Studies
8SO	Florence Schneck	English
8ST	Charlotte Luke	French



# Parent-Teacher Meetings

The following Parent-Teacher meeting is scheduled to take place during this half term:

Year 7 (Day) Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June 6.30 – 8.30 pm **Sports Hall** 

Full details of this meeting have been sent out by letter this week. Please would you let us know if you are able to attend by replying to the office as soon as possible, either by email to **office@foremarke.org.uk** or by using the reply slip at the bottom of the letter.

We hope that this meeting will provide you with an opportunity to discuss all aspects of your child's progress this term and we are very much looking forward to seeing as many parents as possible. Should you have any concerns at this stage, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Paula Bushby Assistant Head (Academic) pbushby@foremarke.org.uk





#### **Religious Studies Department**

Set Book for Common Scholarship and Common Entrance Religious Studies

Children who will be in Year 7 in the next academic year will begin the Religious Studies Common Scholarship or Common Entrance course. The set book for the first year of this course is, The Jewish Experience (published by Hodder at a cost of about £12.00), a stock of which is held by myself here in school. Children currently in Year 7 who have their own copy of the book set for their course have found it invaluable, saying that it is much more manageable than the photocopied sheets previously used, especially when revising for tests and exams.

For ease of administration I am proposing to issue a copy of The Jewish Experience to each child in Year 7 and add the cost to the bill at the end of Michaelmas term. If you would prefer to purchase a copy yourself, please contact me before the end of this term.

N A Bailey

**Head of Religious Studies**