# *the* Foremarke Flyer

The Newsletter of Repton's Preparatory School

# From the Headmaster

## Dear Parents

The latest statistics for the growth of British Curriculum Schools around the world have been published this week by ISC Research Ltd. The exponential growth is startling to see. Two facts can be drawn from the evidence; firstly, the British Independent Schools system is world class, and aspired to be part of by millions around the world; it is one of the finest, if not the finest of British exports.

Secondly, globalisation is a given; it is the world our children will inherit. They will catch planes as we take cars. They will work all over the world.

Amongst the myriad of my daily emails I recently received one from the parents of a 5 year old in Chengdu, China. They epitomised these two statements. They asked hypothetically of themselves what kind of person they wanted their child to be. Their decision on the "winding path of life" was a young person with a moral character and personality; a kind, honest, brave, enthusiastic and optimistic human being with an open mind, broad vision and a positive creative brain. I doubt any of us would disagree with this desire. I applaud their aspiration and am extremely grateful that of all the schools in the world, they have sought out Foremarke.

As I said to the assembled parents at the Y2 transfer evening earlier this week, it is a true privilege to be educating your children and to see them blossom and grow in this the richest of environments.

Thank you.





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## Exciting news from The Foremarke Trust

The Foremarke Trust Scheme offers a place at Foremarke for up to one year for a child from a disadvantaged background. Now in its 25th year the school is proud of the fact that this scheme is unique within UK Prep schools. Since 1991 children have mostly been selected from Russian orphanages. However, due to many factors including the political situation in Russia, ever changing orphanage staffing and UK Border Agency requirements, the Trust believes it is an appropriate time to look to other countries where it can offer assistance whilst also maintaining a link and support to ex Foremarkians from Russia. Negotiations are underway with the Ukrainian Education Authority and also with 'Project Mala', in Northern India. Although it is early days in our negotiations with Ukraine, further progress has been made in India.

The Foremarke Trust are hopeful that parents and children will all have the opportunity to meet a young 12 year old boy called Jaivik who will join Foremarke in Year 7 in September 2015. Jaivik is from Utter Pradesh in Northern India. He will be boarding in Francis House and under the guardianship of James and Catriona Archer.



See Page 2 for further information.

## How the Foremarke Trust found Jaivik

## A report by Trustee James Archer

On 18th May James Archer, Trustee, embarked on a short trip to Uttar Pradesh, India. This was as a result of a working relationship made between the Foremarke Trust and **Project Mala.** 

Project Mala a long established small education charity that was started by Robin Garland in York in 1989.



A short description of the charity is stated below but the website offers a detailed insight into the work it achieves in India; if you have a few spare minutes, do please read:http:www.projectmala.org.uk

"A happy childhood is the foundation of life and school days are an important part of a child's formative years. Unfortunately large numbers of children in India's carpet weaving belt start work at an age when western children are starting school. To deal with this problem Project Mala was founded in 1989 to provide a three-year non-formal education course to children. Our aim is to help eradicate the use of child labour on the carpet weaving looms and enable working children to regain their lost childhood. Currently we have nearly 1,500 children in our six primary, three middle and one secondary schools in India"



Despite being advised that May was not a good time to visit India due to the heat, I did not have much spare time to complete a visit and if we were going to find a suitable child from India, the process involved in enabling a child to come to the UK would be lengthy. Therefore, I foolishly ignored the advice and 'enjoyed' four days of 38 - 45 degrees heat, with barely any electricity for most nights! Upon arrival in Delhi, I took the short I.5hr flight to Varanassi.

After a one-hour 'memorable' drive to Guria village the rusty barn-door steel gates opened to expose Guria school, the first school that Project Mala opened in 1989 and which now educates children from ages 7 to 16 yrs. I was met by Anil, the Bursar, and Mukesh, the Headmaster of all the schools within Project Mala. These two had been carefully briefed by the charity to spend the next three days doing all they could to ensure I could maximise my limited time in India. They had prepared a shortlist of twelve children from several Yr 8 classes; some children came from Patehra school and had been brought to Guria for three days to spend time hosting me.



I was presented with reports for each child. I also spent time in class lessons and identified other children who were potentially suitable. I was also given the opportunity to visit Patehra School, I.5 hours away and positioned in between several remote villages such that the children are able to walk the 7km or so to school each way, six days per week. The few days spent in India were inspiring and left a lasting reminder to me that despite their incredibly poor backgrounds these children come to school happy and so enthusiastic to learn; "Mr James Sir, please teach us something" was frequently asked of me!

To try to shortlist candidates for a one year placement at Foremarke Hall was never going to be easy. I had interviewed, at length, over twenty candidates by my last day at Guria School and had met the most delightful, smiley and polite children you could ever wish to meet. Thankfully the final decision was not made alone! I returned to Derbyshire with a short list of names for the Trust to discuss. Whoever was to be selected would undoubtedly receive the most wonderful gift of 'A Golden Year'.

We are now hopeful that Jaivik will join us in September. Opportunities to read with Jaivik during school term times, and to perhaps offer to have Jaivik visit your family will be available and we are hopeful that all Foremarke families, in particular Yr 7 parents and children, will do all they can to make Jaivik's year at Foremarke as special as possible.

# **Pre-Prep News**

#### Pre-Prep Learning Objectives Summer Week 9

## **Reception**

#### Literacy:

To continue to review our time in Reception. **Mathematics:** To recap on numeral formation and recognition to thirty

#### and beyond. Year One

## Mathematics:

To begin to learn how to tell the time.

To apply knowledge of number bonds to multiples of 10. **English:** 

To complete the story about Camille and the Sunflowers. **Year Two** 

### Mathematics:

To add a 1-digit number to a 2-digit number. To add two 2-digit numbers. To subtract a 2-digit number from another. **English:** To write a conversation, using speech marks correctly.

#### **After School Activities**

There is no Gym activity on Monday  $15^{th}$  June. There are no activities on Thursday  $18^{th}$  June , due to Parents Evening and there are no activities on the last week of term.

#### **Parents Evening**

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> is Parents' Evening, please return your slips to your child's form teacher.

# PLAYTIME STARS AWARD



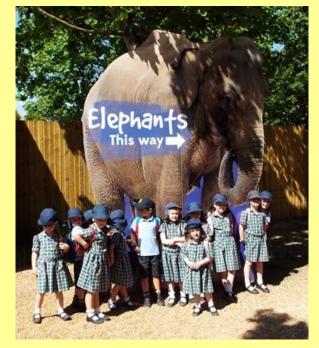


"Looking after property" A Golden Rule Golden Leaves are awarded to children who follow the 'Golden Rules' particularly well. Congratulations to:-

Nursery	Reception	
Madison Nix	George Odell	
Imeia Grant	Benjamin Lines	
Evelyn Szabo	Millie Harrison	
	Molly Brailsford	
	Year 2	
Year 1	Year 2	
<b>Year 1</b> Arun Mattu	<b>Year 2</b> Freddie Moseley	
Arun Mattu	Freddie Moseley	

## **Nursery News**

What an exciting couple of weeks in the Nursery. Firstly, the Hedgehogs joined with the Reception children on a very warm, sunny day to visit Twycross Zoo. We saw zebras, monkeys, giraffes, giant tortoises, meerkats, elephants, penguins and much more. The monkeys, as usual, caused lots of hilarity and it was great to get so close to the giant tortoises. One of the new attractions is the Butterfly House and the Rainbow Lorikeets. Both of these were fantastic, with lots of beautiful butterflies landing on us in the Butterfly House and seeing the Lorikeets being fed.



Secondly, on another warm sunny day, the Squirrels went to Lakeside on their Teddy Bears' Picnic. Armed with sandwiches, teddy bears and games, an excited group of Squirrels enjoyed a picnic and played lots of teddy bear games.



We all thoroughly enjoyed our excursions and the children were fabulous to be with.

YI Swimming Display 1.40pm Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June Come along and see our swimming skills.

#### Sports Day Friday 19th June

Nursery sports are from 9.15am to 10.15am (Walled Garden). Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 is from 10.30am to 12.00pm (Top Field).

# Lower School News

Year 4 Art



Vivia Ingham - 4/H.U.

Andy Warhol's Cat



## **Upcoming Events**

With the end of term fast approaching, here is an aidemémoire of key dates:

#### Week 9

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> – Year 4 Parents' Meeting Thursday 18th – Year 4 Parents' Meeting Friday 19<sup>th</sup> – Lower School Sports Day at 2.15pm on Top Field

## Week 10

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> – 'Moving Up' afternoon and at 4.15pm a 'Moving On' talk for all Year 4 parents in the theatre. Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Final day for prep and after school activities. Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> – Dress Rehearsal of Lower School Show Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> – 11.30am – 12.30pm Lower School Music Concert and Year 4 book presentation in the theatre. Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> – 2.45pm – 3.45pm Lower School Show Friday 26<sup>th</sup> – Speech Day

## Year 3 Poetry

This week Year 3 have been reading some nonsense poems, looking at rhyming patterns, word play and alliteration. They were very good at coming up with their own 'silly' ideas and as a whole class were able to write their own 'Rules!' poem, following the structure of the original version by the poet Karla Kuskin.

## Rules! By 3C

Do not kiss the classroom hamster Do not kick baboons out of bed Do not dance in copper pots Do not juggle on the teacher's head Do not bathe in lumpy frog spawn Do not eat a whiteboard pen Do not wear a boiling kettle Do not run with a sweaty hen Do not sleep in a dragon's nest Do not make your goldfish trot And whatever else you do do It is better you Do not!

## Rules! By 3M

Do not run into a lamp post Do not eat a big bear's hair Do not jump in pits of lava Do not listen to a snake's dares Do not dive in jelly pie Do not play with Umper Lumpers Do not fly into the sky Do not fall in big fat pots And whatever else you do do It is better you Do not!

## Year 4 Parents' Meetings

Year 4 children have all taken home a slip with details of appointment times for the Parents' Meetings taking place on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June and Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June. A list of times will also be up in Lower School.



## Lost Property

Izzy Warrilow (3C) has lost her named school summer cap.



## **SPORTS NOTICES**

## **Upper School Sports Day**

## Sports Day – Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2015

Upper School Sports Day will take place 10am – 1pm. All children are involved during the morning in track and field events with the final presentation for the winners of the House Cup at approx. 12.55pm. Please come in <u>clean kit</u> – House shirt, trainers, white socks, white shorts for boys and girls in blue skorts, tracksuit top, bottoms and spare white PE shirt..

All Year 5-8 will know what events they are in and details are published on the school notice boards.

#### DON'T FORGET ... ALL CHILDREN TO BRING SUN CAP, SUN CREAM + NAMED WATER BOTTLES

All parents welcome to come and support.

**WET WEATHER PLAN:** Sports day will be cancelled if, in the opinion of the Headmaster and the PE staff, the grounds are unsafe for any of the activities to take place. Details will be posted on the website, plus a Clarion Call message will be sent.

D Reg arrangements: All children to sign out with House Staff on Top Field before departing at 1pm. Boarders are to go for lunch at 1pm. There is no lunch provision for Day Pupils.

## **Rounders v Repton Dubai**

On Saturday the UIIA team played rounders against Repton Dubai. A super standard of rounders was displayed by the Foremarke girls both in the field and when batting, coming away with victories from both innings.

A great afternoon of rounders was had by all and our girls were presented with a lovely plaque from Repton Dubai for being great hosts!



## **Fixture Changes**

#### First team Rounders this Saturday

Ist team v Ranby and U9B fixture v St Anselms on Saturday 13th June are cancelled. The fixture on 17th June v Grace Dieu is also cancelled.

Apologies for any inconvenience.

**2nd and 3rd team Rounders Wednesday 17th June** Please note this fixture v Packwood Haugh will now be played away, return time 6.30pm.

# The Year 8 Mystery Trip

## A report by Sam Sinclair

The trip to Drayton Manor was a truly thrilling school trip, whether it was the really good park food or the adrenaline rushing roller-coasters such as *G*-Force and Shockwave.

At the park, all of Year 8 was spoilt for choice with the large, fast and thrilling rides. We had options like Stormforce 10 and Splash Canyon for water rides. Then over to a human-sized drier to dry off.

The park was well stocked with different food places and little pit-stops for sweets and drinks. At lunch, I sat with Robert Swoyer, Barnaby Churchill and Bilal Karim and we all split two mini pizzas between us and then slowly eased back into the action by first going on the Flying Dutchman and then straight onto Ben 10 which, to our surprise, ended up going backwards.

One of my personal highlights of the day for me was the Pirate Ship. I went on it with a large amount of my friends and it was awesome! Another highlight was the Horror House. Okay, it wasn't scary. At all. But it was really funny trying to jumpscare Robert the whole way through.

Drayton Manor was an awesome day and was the best school trip we have ever had as a year group. It was a very great day!



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

Flexi Rates for Michaelmas Term 2015 £43 per individual night £430 for the term (12 nights) This discount represents around a 20% reduction of an advanced booking of one flexi night per week on Monday – Thursday for the whole of the term. Friday is our most popular night and is not discounted. There are 9 Friday's next term so the termly price is £387

## **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.

**Boarder of the Week** 



Henry

Henry has worked hard for his exams and his marathon feats for charity during the half-term make the boarding community very proud. And it's his birthday today.

# 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



## The Stock Exchange

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



Exchange summer opening times

Saturday 13th June12pm -12.45pmSaturday 4th July12pm - 1pmSaturday 25th July11.30am -12.30pmOn 25th July The Exchange will be open in Lower School as ourPortacabin is being refurbishedSaturday 15th August2pm -3pmMonday 31st August11am -12.30pm

Remember to drop off any uniform you want us to sell at the office or on 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

See you there!



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

3M	Gabriela Costa	History
	Jacob Ingleston-Orme	History
	Harry Thandi	History
	Zak Wedgwood	History
	Max Weldon	History
4J	Sam Parkin	ICT
	Leyton Wright	History
5SD	Manav Chitkara	Science
	Leila Clark	Science, History
	Roscoe Cooksey	English, Geography x 2, History
	Kaija Hartdegen	Geography
6SG	Freddie Lake	English
6R N	Abbie Wall	English, Science
7P W	Jobim Ffrench	English, Classical Studies



## Lost Property



Tom Warrilow has lost his cricket bat. It is a GM bat, size 5, with a white handle with the initials TW written on the top of the handle. It is practically brand new. Please check you do not have it in error.

Polite request to all parents

Please do check all uniform and P.E Kit in your possession and check you do not have items that belong to other children. If any items do not belong to you please hand them to their rightful owners before the end of term. Thank you

# Parent-Teacher Meetings

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

Year 7	Tuesday	6.30 –	Sports Hall
(Day)	I 6 <sup>th</sup> June	8.30 pm	

Full details of this meeting have been sent out by letter. If you have not already done so, 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 8 in the next academic year will continue the Religious Studies Common Scholarship or Common Entrance course. The set book for the second year of this course is, The Christian Experience (published by Hodder at a cost of about  $\pounds 12.00$ ), a stock of which is held by myself here in school.

For ease of administration I am proposing to issue a copy of The Christian Experience to each child in Year 8 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

June 2015



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FOR BANK DETAILS OR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT FRIENDS\_OF\_FOREMARKE@YAHOO.CO.UK



## **Funding/sponsorship request**

Would you be interested in advertising your company in our 75th Diamond Celebration Ball Booklet or sponsoring some lement of The Ball?

> For further details please contact friends of foremarke@yahoo.co.uk As soon as possible please. Thank you.

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SAVE THE DATE



The Foremarke Classic Friday September 11th 6.30pm-8.30pm Sports, Classic, Unusal cars and even Tractors all here at Foremarke for you to view on Front Square.

## Entry to view is free.

RESERVE YOUR PLACE ON THE FORECOURT £25 A PITCH

PLEASE CONTACT Taral Watson@icloud.com 07515174367 More info to follow.

## Mementoes of Foremarke



Our own Head of Art, Mrs Sue Tucker, drew this most intricate of sketches in sepia some years ago when she was then Miss Taylor!

#### Unframed mounted print - £15.00 Framed mounted print - £25.00

Prints may be purchased from the School Office.

We also have available a photographic print of Foremarke Hall with the lake in front taken by N Duncan Mills who was at Foremarke from 1980 to 1986 and went on to became a Repton Art Scholar.

#### Unframed Print - £20.00

A sample and order forms are available from the School Office.

This year's leavers, or indeed, anybody who would like to purchase one (or both!) of these magnificent prints, now has the opportunity to do so. There are signed, numbered, limited edition prints available to enjoy and remember "salad days" spent at Foremarke.

## Year 8 Post CE week

As part of the Year 8 Post Common Entrance week Hugo Chittenden will be visiting Foremarke to speak to the Year 8's about volunteer work.

Hugo Chittenden is a teacher and documentary filmmaker who lives between Moscow, Spain and London. Following a near-fatal illness at the age of 31, Chittenden decided to transform his life by dedicating himself to helping raise awareness, funding and support for charities and projects overseas. He has since become known as 'The Volunteer', volunteering and documenting projects for causes across the globe. He also works with inspirational speakers looking to share their experiences around the world.

His talk promises to be an inspirational and memorable experience for the children. In addition to his talk he has recently published a book that may be ordered through Amazon http://www.amazon.co.uk/The-Volunteer-Guide-To-Volunteering/dp/B00RVVGQ00 or pre ordered before Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June to enable children to receive a personalised copy http://www.thevolunteer.com/my-book-a-guide-tovolunteering/

'At a time when we are seeing a decline in shared values and collective consciousness, The Volunteer by Hugo Chittenden comes as a breath of fresh altruistic air. The book features the remarkable real-life experiences of volunteers who have chosen to widen their circle of compassion and make a difference to the lives of people around the world'.

Your support for Hugo's work would be hugely appreciated.

Lucy Kelly (Assistant Head Pastoral)

We all can make a difference and our world needs to do so now. In Hugo Chittenden's inspirational and valuable now. In Hugo Chittenden's inspirational and variable book you now have a road map to get your volunteering dreams done. Read it. Live it.' Robin Sharma (Number 1 best selling author The Monk who sold his Ferrari)

Contributions by: David Atherton, James Blunt, Isabella & Sam Branson, Mark Cook, Linda Cruze, Mark & Craig Kielburger, Danny Kruger, Sister Mary, Alison Thompson, Zoe Tryon, Anne Widdecombe and Muhammad Yunus.

## The Volunteer



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