# the Foremarke Flyer



The Newsletter of Repton's Preparatory School

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### From the Headmaster



### Dear Parents

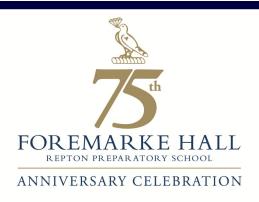
A diamond anniversary in the life of a Prep School is a significant occasion and one which should rightly be celebrated. Prep Schools are not like some of the great public schools founded in the reigns of Tudor Monarchs, we are much more of the twentieth century. We can only surmise on life at the time of Repton's founder Sir John Port, but tomorrow and this weekend, the school and our Old Foremarkians can join hands across the years, with many of those first pupils returning to the place of significant happy memories, influential teachers and character forming occasions. We will be touching history. We have secured the best of the past in today's Foremarke and whilst we look back with pride upon the many contributions over the years which have made Foremarke great and the school it is today, we must remember the great responsibility we have today in preparing your youngsters for the world of tomorrow.



In preparation for our celebratory weekend 6SG have been working on a group project with Mrs Tucker and have produced some wonderfully nostalgic posters. These examples are by Roscoe Cooksey, Tom Warrilow and Harry Waldock (top image), Sienna Swoyer, Manav Chitkara, Megan Prince and Hector Meynell (bottom image).



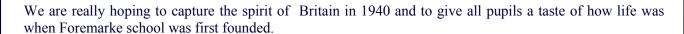




# Our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebratory weekend starts tomorrow!

**On Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September** all pupils are being asked to come dressed as they might have attended school in 1940 or in costumes from that era.

- The Pre- Prep are looking to have a 1940's street party
- Lower School will be dressing up for photographs making gas masks and having a live theatre experience in advance of their Football tournament
- Upper School will be having a normal timetable but lessons with all have a 1940's theme.



**On Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September** around 250 former pupils and members of the Common Room will attend a reunion and be offered tours of the school.

In the evening we will be hosting the Friends of Foremarke Diamond Celebration Ball.

### Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September

There is a special Commemorative Service at St Saviour's Church starting at 11.00am, led by the Bishop of Derby and refreshments will be available afterwards at Hall Cottage.

There is no requirement for any parents or pupils to be in school over the Exeat weekend but if you would like to join us at the Service you are more than welcome.

Photos of this wonderful event will follow in next week's Flyer.

# 1940 - 2015









### **Pre-Prep News**

# Pre-Prep Learning Objectives Michaelmas Week 5

### Reception

**Literacy:** To recognise the phonemes **g** o u l and begin to segment and blend cvc words.

**Mathematics:** To recognise and correctly form numerals beyond ten using different media.

### Year One

### **Mathematics**

To learn addition facts for pairs that total up to 6 and relate these facts to an understanding of addition, including + and =

### **English**

To recognise features of non fiction texts and use this knowledge to write our own factual booklet.

### Year Two

### Mathematics

To partition two-digit numbers into Tens and Units.

To use this knowledge when adding numbers together.

### English

To continue using connectives in writing to expand sentences e.g. but, so, and & because.



# "Working Hard" A Golden Rule

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

Nursery	Reception	
Grace Hanson	Phoebe Bush	
Toby Hodges	Eleanor Harte	
Felix Walker	Betsy Wilton	
	Alexa Clemson	
Year 1	Year 2	
Year 1 Indigo Astara- Ibbotson	Year 2  James Davenport	
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Indigo Astara- Ibbotson	James Davenport	

## Sunshine and smiles at the Pre- Prep Treasure Hunt



Last Saturday morning saw the Pre-Prep Treasure Hunt take place. On a glorious, sunny day, Pre-Prep families and friends took up the challenge of solving the 1940s themed clues to find their way around the grounds of Foremarke Hall.

Despite some quite tricky clues, all made it safely back to the Pre-Prep. Many families stayed on after the presentation of the prizes to enjoy a picnic, basking in the sunshine.

It was a lovely, family event, enjoyed by all ... even Charlie the beagle enjoyed sniffing out some clues!



PLAYTIME STARS AWARD Reception



### **Lower School News**

### **Sporting Fixtures**

Lower School sporting fixtures are scheduled for either Saturday mornings or Monday afternoons and are included in the main school calendar. The PE department distribute team sheets to those children selected but details of each match, including team list, venues and start/finish times can also be found on the school website.

### Spotlight on Sizzix

Both Junior Activities and Foremarke Plus offer Sizzix as one of the options for children to consider. It is a craft-based activity involving the use of die-cutting and embossing machines and, with plenty of stencils to choose from and a wide selection of papers, the children never seem to run out of ideas for their cards, bookmarks and pictures.



### LEARNING POWERS

Year 4s are working hard on developing their Learning Powers. The following pupils have impressed their

4J	Jake Pawley	Risk Taking
	Zara Dunn	Curiosity
4HU	N'Sira Diawara-Wills	Risk Taking
	Niamh Leahy	Curiosity
4M	Isobel Orpin	Risk Taking
	William Morrison	Motivation

### Who Do You Think You Are?



Foremarke Hall, including footage of our Headmaster, will be part of tonight's episode of "Who Do You Think You Are". This is on BBC I at 9pm and features Frank Gardner (Currently the BBC's Security Correspondent). Without revealing too much there are some fascinating connections between Foremarke and Frank's history.

### From the School Nurse

### For parents of children with Asthma

All asthmatics should have an in date, named reliever (blue) inhaler in the medical centre. Please send your child's ventolin/salbutamol to the school Nurses at the earliest opportunity.

### Eye tests

The Nurses would like to remind parents that all children are encouraged to have an annual eye test. Please remember to inform the medical team if your child needs to wear spectacles.



### **Curriculum Evening**

Thank you to all those parents who came along to our curriculum evening last Friday. It was good to meet informally and have the chance to answer questions, and we hope that you found the evening worthwhile. Below is the link to the Lower School curriculum document:

https://mail.foremarke.org.uk/exchweb/bin/redir.asp?
URL=http://www.foremarke.org.uk/curriculum-Documents

### **School Coats**

Please can parents ensure that children always have their coats in school – thank you.

### **SPORTS NOTICES**

# Changes to Sports Fixtures on our web site

Please note that we have launched a new **Sports Fixture Module** on our web site. Now you can access the term's fixtures from the Home Page of our web site in **one click** from your computer or any mobile device.

Simply click on the circular tennis racquet and hockey stick icon or the words "Sports Fixtures" on the right hand side of the white panel on the home page.

A full list of the term's fixtures will then display in date sequence. You can use the "filter by" tab at the top of the screen to filter by sport and by teams if you require.

Click on the arrows on the left hand side to expand the fixtures when there are multiple teams playing on the same day.

Use the arrow on the right hand side next to "More info" to see the team list, any further details and a google map of the venue if the fixture is away.

Once a fixture has been played you can see the match report by clicking on the "Results" tab.

You will note that there is a rolling banner at the very top of the page where we will highlight any fixtures that have been added or any changes that are not in the printed calendar.

Please note we will not be printing sports fixture changes in the Foremarke Flyer so if your child plays for a team please do make sure you check the online fixtures each week for up to date information. Thank you.



Institution of MECHANICAL ENGINEERS

This Sunday the Greenpower F24 Team will be competing in what will be the last of the regional heats for the 2015 race season.

The Western Regional Heat takes place at the Castle Coombe Circuit in Wiltshire and we expect to be taking a team of fifteen along with three cars.

As of this moment, the national distance table shows our cars sitting in 6<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 54<sup>th</sup> and 67<sup>th</sup>, out of the 175 cars that have so far taken part and are all potential qualifiers for the International Final on October 10/11<sup>th</sup> as there will be a place for the top 75 cars. Realistically we will only take our top three cars to make the day more manageable.

Anyway, we shall await our invitation to take part after Castle Coombe!

CC

### **Triathlon Report from Mr Martin**



Mr Martin and son Sam are pictured above after completion of their races. We are enormously proud of them both.

# The ITU World Age-Group Championship race took place on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> September in Chicago, USA.

Overnight there had been a huge thunderstorm but fortunately this weather had blown through and Saturday began with grey skies and relatively strong winds but the conditions improved throughout the day. I was due to start in the 50-54 race at 12.20pm and my son, Sam, began his 20-24 race at the earlier time of 10.18am with the swim leg at Monroe Harbour in Lake Michigan. He completed his 1500m swim in just over 25 minutes, which was not helped by the fact that his wetsuit zip came open at the start of the race and this undoubtedly affected his time as I completed my 1500m swim in just over 24 minutes and he is normally two minutes faster than me in the swim!

Out of the lake and after a long transition run onto the bike for approximately 25 miles. Sam completed the two lap course in just over 59 minutes, whilst I managed a low 58 minutes on what is always my strongest leg. Next it was quickly off the bike and then through transition to finish with a 10Km run. The temperatures had warmed up and although the first two laps felt fine, I was beginning to slow towards the end. Eventually we finished, with Sam recording an overall time of 2:16:50 to finish 73<sup>rd</sup> in the 20 -24 race whilst I completed the course in 2:19:54 to finish 54<sup>th</sup> from 125 starters in the 50-54 Men's Race and 9<sup>th</sup> place in the GBR team of 20 triathletes in this age-group.

I'd like to thank the Headmaster and Governors for supporting me in this event; it was a fantastic experience for both Martins.

# upper School Parent-Teacher Meetings

### Year 5, Year 6 and Boarding

The following Parent-Teacher meetings are scheduled to take place during this half term:

Year 5	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> October	6.30 – 8.30 pm	Assembly Hall
Year 6	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	6.30 – 8.30 pm	Sports Hall
Boarding	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	4.15 – 5.30 pm	Sports Hall

Full details of the Year 5 Parent-Teacher meeting have been sent out by letter this week. Details of the other meetings will be sent out shortly.

We hope that these meetings 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.

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# Academic Information for parents

The following documents have recently been added to the Parents' Information pages on the school website and are now available to download:

Year 7 & 8 Information Evening – Summary notes 2015-2016 Curriculum Outline for Years 5-8



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

Jonathan Brain	Art	
Zach Garner	Art	
Tom Graves	English	
Robert Jones	English	
Zoe Barkey	English	
Elijah Brough	English	
Effie Moseley	English	
Darcy Shaw	English	
Gil Grace	Science	
Sophie Haines	History	
Julia Smith	Maths	
Evelyn Brough	Maths	
	Zach Garner  Tom Graves  Robert Jones  Zoe Barkey  Elijah Brough  Effie Moseley  Darcy Shaw  Gil Grace  Sophie Haines  Julia Smith	



Our hugely successful Maths Boot Camp sessions will be starting again after exeat.

These are offered to those children in Year 7 and Year 8 who would like to spend a little more time practicing their maths skills. Come along each week or just drop in if you have a tricky question from your prep.

Sessions run every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning between 8.00am and 8.20am in ICT Room 2. First come, first served! JD

### Lost Property

Tom Pickering Y5 named jumper Lottie Fletcher Y5 named hoodie

### **Boarding News**

### Harvest Festival 2015



# Message to all full boarders going to guardians/home this weekend:

This may be the last opportunity you get to make a contribution to this year's Harvest Festival service that takes place on Sunday I I<sup>th</sup> October. If you would like to make a donation to the harvest collection then you can bring back from Exeat any of the goods below.

Please hand to your housemaster /mistress when you return.

### **Toiletries**

disposable razors shaving foam toothbrushes toothpaste shampoo shower gel deodorant kitchen roll toilet rolls washing powder washing up liquid

### Food & Drink

tea / coffee
drinking chocolate & long
life milk
sugar & flour
sauce & gravy granules &
cook-in-sauces
tinned meat & fish
tinned fruit or vegetables
jam
rice & pasta
tinned puddings & custard
any tinned food or soup
biscuits
fruit squash or soft drinks

No perishables please!

Thank you for your support.

### **Boarders of the Week**



Adaia has started to really enjoy her time here.

Otter has simply thrived since arriving at September.

A cracking start from both. Enjoy a well deserved Exeat both of you.

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# Friends of Foremarke



Diamond Anniversary Ball

The Friends of Foremake
Would like to say thank you to
everyone who is supporting our
event and attending our
75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Ball this Saturday.
Let the Fun Times Begin!!

