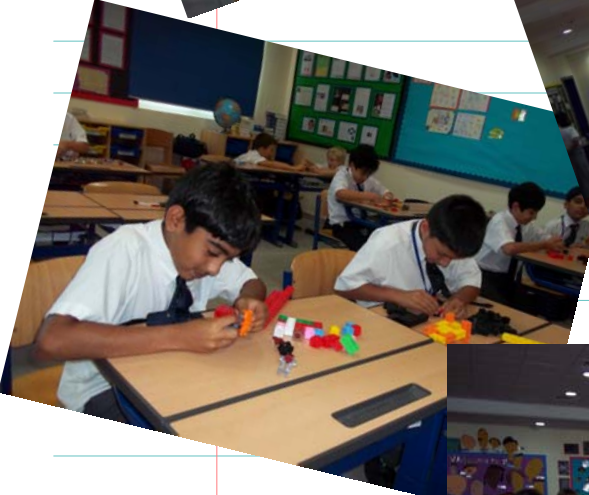
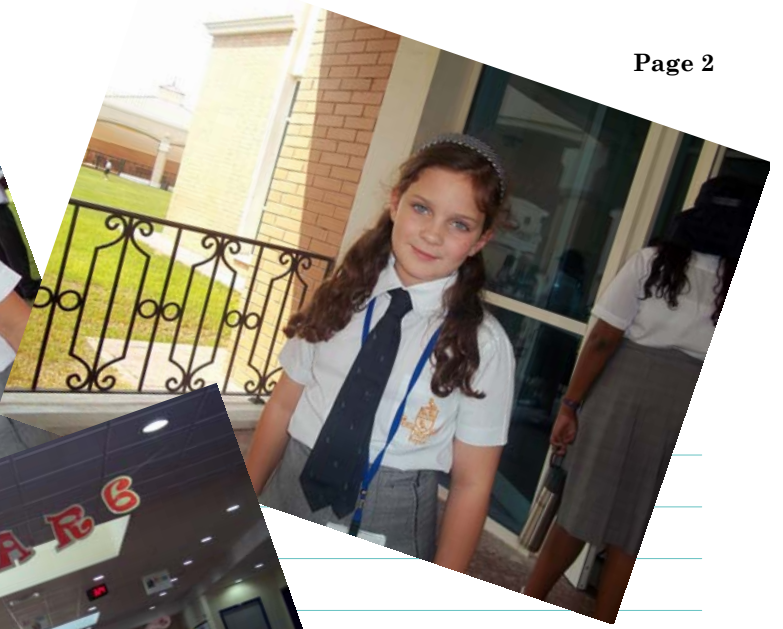




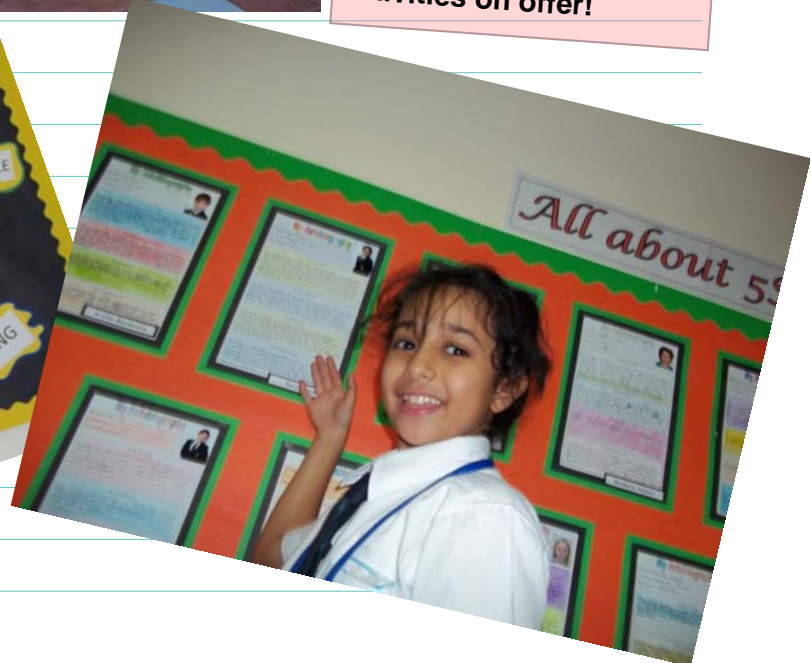
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The Prep School pupils have been working very hard in their lessons this term. They have also taken advantage of the various extra-curricular activities on offer!



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English Information

Y 5	Autumn	Spring	Summer
	Diary & narrative writing	The village	Poetry
Y 6	Autumn	Spring	Summer
	Diary and narrative writing	School under siege	MacBeth

Writing Competition

Year 6:

Winner: Lenna Van Surell: Foremarke : 6MB

Runners up: Eliza Norman : Foremarke : 6MB and Yi Wen Lee: Latham : 6TO

Year 5:

Winner: Hamza Raza: School :

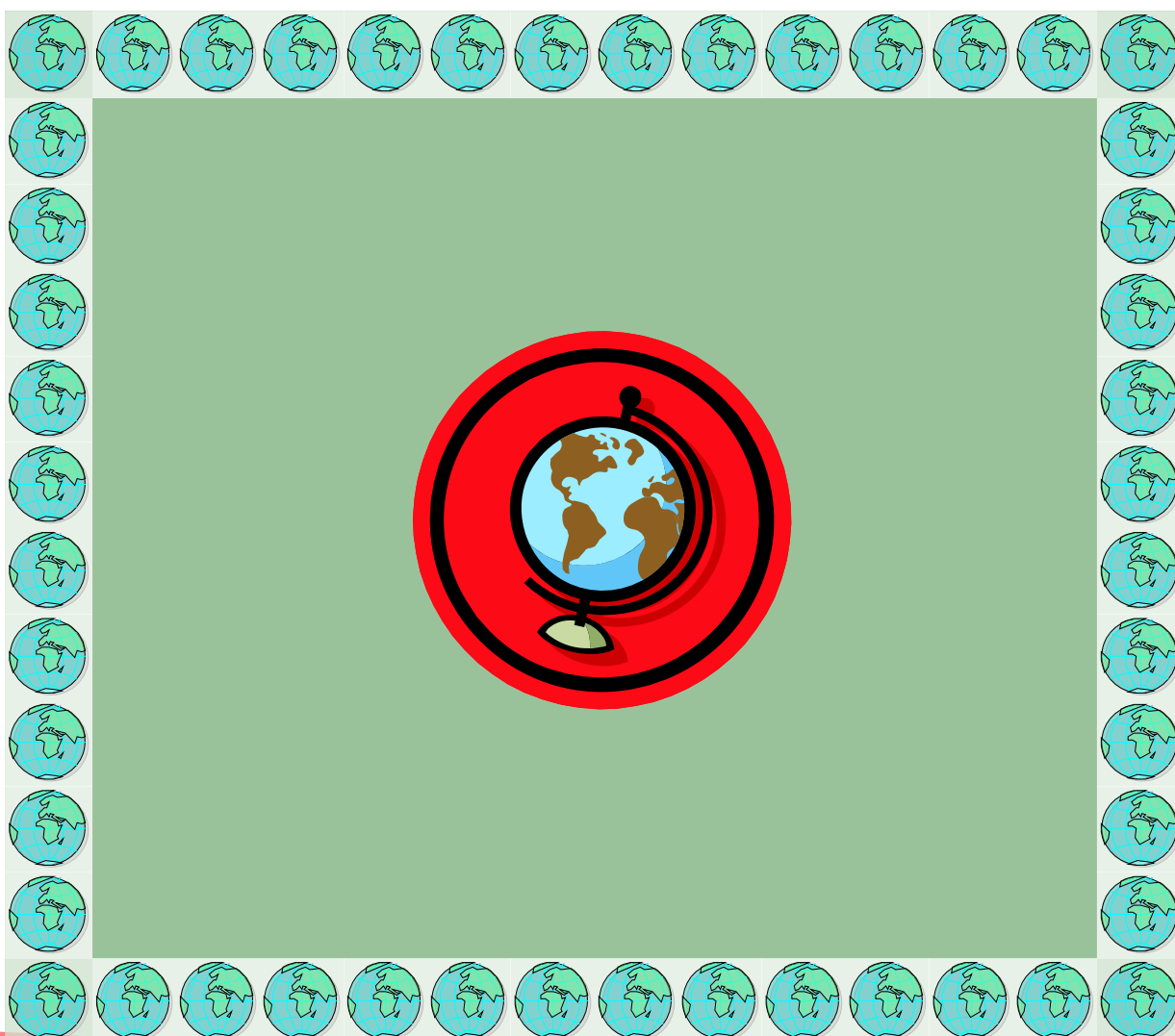
Runners up: James Craig : Jumiarah :5JG. Sarah Heaton : Jumairah : 5NS.

Congratulations to our winners!



Geography Information

Y5	Autumn Introduction to geography and Kenya	Spring Deserts and Mountains	Summer Earthquakes and volcanoes.
	Autumn Map skills	Spring Environmental skills and weather	Summer Coasts.
Y6			





Pupil Interview

We conducted an interview with Siena Gordon In order to find out what it is really like being head girl.

What do you like about being a head girl?

I like being a Head Girl because I can be in charge of everyone and it is fun.

If you could invite anyone for lunch who would it be?

I would invite Mrs.Hawkins because she is really friendly and nice.

If you could switch bodies with someone who would it be?

would switch bodies with someone it would be Shawn Jonson because she is an Olympic gymnast.

What don't you like being an Head Girl?

What I don't like being an Head Girl is doing registers because it is very boring.

What is your favourite meal?

My favourite meal is macaroni because it is delicious.



Teacher Interview— Ms. K. Irvine



If you could meet two famous people, who would they be?

Gosh. I would meet Quentin Tarantino because he is an amazing film director and I would love to find out where he gets his creative, crazy ideas from. I would also like to meet Prince Harry to know what it's like to be in the royal family.

What is your favourite book and why?

My all time favourite story is Jane Eyre because I love all the gothic literature.

What is your fondest childhood memory?

My fondest childhood memory is holidays at the seaside.

What was it like going on the Doctor Who set?

It was lots of fun and I was a bit scared but when I realised the darlincs weren't real I recovered!

Why did you choose to be a teacher?

I chose to be a teacher because I love learning and I love reading and helping people.

Where is your favourite place to go on holiday?

My favourite place to go to Arnhem (Nethernlands) which is where my grandfather was based in World War One and my other favourite place to go and visit is my best friend in Spain.

What was your worst school subject and why?

Geography because it wasn't interesting. Sorry Mr.Vipond!

Reported by the Preptonian Interview Team

World News—The World Seed Bank

“An amazing idea that will change the world as we know it.” This fantastic project is being led by the head of the Royal Botanic Gardens formally known as Kew Gardens. This is a project that involves every botanist in the world. That is why there is over fifty countries taking part in this major project. A Seed Bank is an underground bank that is there to protect and preserve seeds. The World Seed Bank is designed to protect every single plant on our planet earth in case the doomsday theory was correct.

- Leena Van Surrell (6MB)



Netball News – Repton Vs JESS Ranches

Hi everybody! I am Mirna Dickinson and I am in the A squad for netball. For those of you who do not know me, I am a sports captain for School House. On October 4th, we played a netball match against JESS ranches and I thought I would tell you all about it. It was an extremely close game! Zaynah Javed, Foremark Sports Captain and I both scored one goal each. The overall score was 2-1 to Repton. It was a thrilling, fun and very exciting game and I was voted player of the match. The B team played very well and fought us until we were on our knees! The overall score was 3-0 to JESS. I

must also say that our new member of staff Miss Redding has settled in so well, you would have thought she had been there for years.. Thank you so much Miss Redding! Of course, we can't forge Miss Morgan too! Although Miss Morgan couldn't make our match, she has been helping backstage all the way and I have to say a huge thank you to her on behalf of the team.

Being in the A squad is amazing! With excellent teachers who take you all the way, what can go wrong? We have a few more new people to our squad. This is great because we

can get to know new people through a game which involves not only skill, but most importantly, teamwork. Teamwork is a vital part of netball. Is there an 'I' in 'team'? No, even though Mr Walters once said, "If you look very closely there is a me!"

I hope to see some of you soon, and if you have any questions I would be happy to answer them.

-Mirna Dickinson (6MB)



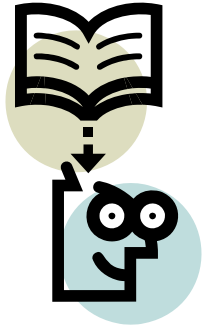
Huge Success for Repton School at DISC

Our Year 5 football and netball teams recently participated in a sports tournament at DISC. Both teams played exceptionally well, and demonstrated fantastic teamwork, determination and skill. Both teams not only won

their respective games, but actually won the entire tournament. A huge congratulations to all pupils involved and well done for being such excellent ambassadors for the school!

Book Review Page

Welcome to the book review page! Here, you will find a range of fantastic books we guarantee you will love and want to read over and over again.



'Twist of Gold'

For our first book review, we would like to share with you one of our favourites by Michael Morpurgo, a renowned author that has written many touching novels. We took a survey and 100% of the people we asked said they loved Michael Morpurgo's phenomenal writing.

We have chosen to write our book review on *Twist of Gold*, a poignant tale of two children named Sean and Annie, who are starving to death in the Irish potato famine and have lost almost everyone they care about. These two intrepid children flee to America in search of their father, who left years ago and never returned.

We think that *Twist of Gold* is a harrowing novel, about friendship, loss and never giving up. Personally, we think it is one of Morpurgo's paramount pieces of writing. Both of us thoroughly enjoyed this moving story, filled with vivid descriptions and emotions.

Why not check out some more Michael Morpurgo books in the school library?

By Jaimini Patel (6SH) and Rebecca Wilding



Daniel-X' Book Review

'Daniel-X' is an amazing book about a boy named Daniel (duh) but he has no last name. He's from a planet called Alpar Nokia and he has powers to create anything he understands with his mind. Plus he can transform and he has a hand gun literally a hand gun which a shoots a laser from.

He has 4 imaginary friends (he made them from his mind) who help him hunt aliens. I love this book because it's filled with action and the pages turn themselves. Once you start reading it you never want to stop! The chapters are really short so when you have to go it's easy to finish the

Review by Ted Moore



Joke Page

There are three people—Nobody, No-one and Stupid. One day No-one wants to jump off the balcony. Nobody sees him and tells Stupid to call the police so he does "Police, police No-one is jumping off a balcony and nobody has seen him!" The policeman says, "Are you stupid?" and he replies, "Yes how'd you know?"

BRENDAN HAD SPENT A WEEK VISITING HIS FAMILY IN KENTUCKY. HIS SISTER-IN-LAW AND SEVEN-YEAR-OLD NEPHEW WENT WITH HIM WHEN HE RETURNED TO THE AIRPORT. AFTER VERIFYING HIS SEAT NUMBER WITH THE COUNTER ATTENDANT, BRENDAN WALKED BACK TO HIS RELATIVES AND STATED THAT HE'D HAVE TO WAIT AN ADDITIONAL THREE HOURS IN THE AIRPORT.

"HOW COME?," HIS NEPHEW ASKED.

"MY PLANE HAS BEEN GROUNDED," BRENDAN EXPLAINED.

"GROUNDED?" THE LITTLE BOY SAID. "I DIDN'T KNOW PLANES HAD PARENTS!"

HEALTHY FRUIT WORDSEARCH

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Clues

Clue: The Pakistani flag has it on the moon and it has fruit at the end of it.

Clue: It is the scientific symbol for water.

Clue: It is good for your eye sight.

Clue: It is round, soft and fuzzy.

Clue: It includes Vitamin C.

Clue: It is red and very popular with both adult and children.

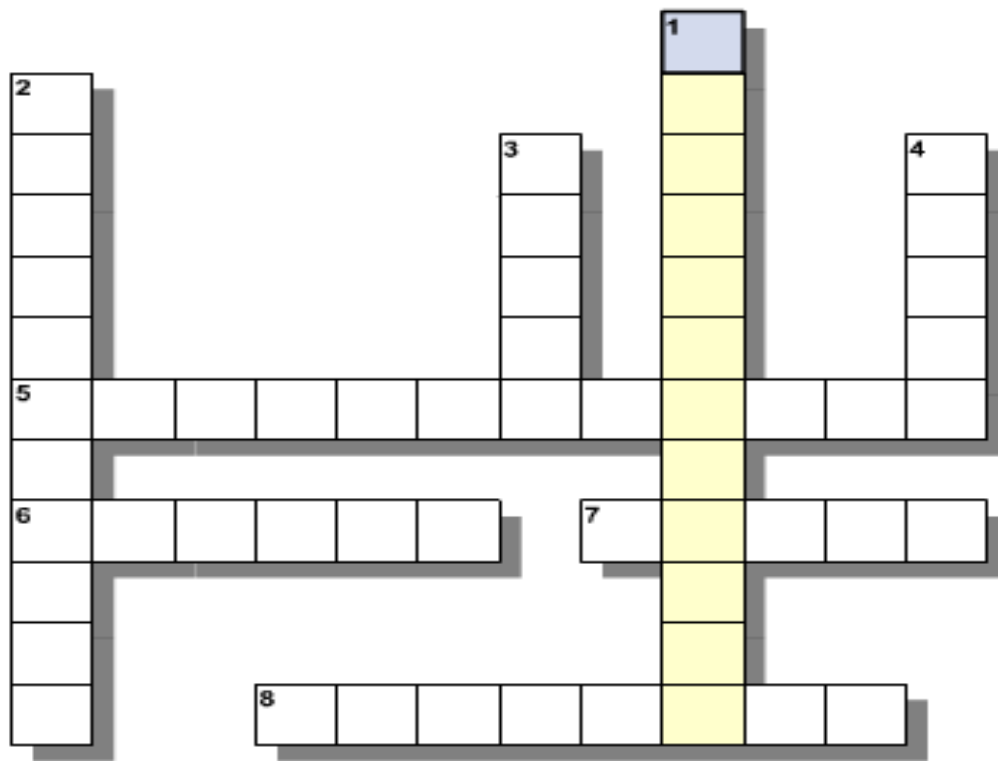
Did you know?

Welcome to our fact page! Each week we will give you a list of interesting facts about a particular subject. This week—all you need to know about horses!

- A horse isn't an adult until it is 4 years old.
- If a female horse is over 4 years old it is called a mare
- Horses are mainly measured in hand height (hh).
- When horses are adults they are usually 14.2 hh unless they are dwarf horses.
- If they are under that heights then they are ponies.
- There are over 200 breeds of horses in the wild.
- A father horse is called a sire and a mother horse is called a dam.
- A scientific name for a horse is an equus caballus.
- A foal is able to walk, trot and run just 2 hours after birth.
- A female foal is called a filly and a male foal is called a colt.
- Mares usually foal at night and are usually in its mother's stomach for 11 months.



THE PREPTONIAN TEAM WILL CREATE PUZZLES BASED ON WHAT YOU HAVE BEEN LEARNING. THE SUBJECT THIS WEEK



Across:

5. To be kicked out of the church.
6. Killed a lot of people.
7. Church tax.
8. The people who lived in towns.

Down:

1. They both criticized the church for being corrupt and said the bible is more important than the Pope
2. The event that started the medieval
3. The holy book of ISLAM.
4. Major landlord

Answers on the back page



Can you answer the following questions about WWI?

Q .1 What were the Three Duties a man had to do in the Trench during WW1 ?

Q .2 What were the two illnesses soldiers suffered from in the trenches?

Q .3 How many months did soldier stay in the trenches?

Q .4 What were two things that could happen since the trenches were made of mud?

Answers on the back page

Should Smoking be Banned?



Smoking has been a controversial issue for many, many years. Should we smoke? Should we not? Well, for our editorial, we are explaining why you should definitely not smoke.

smoker's life. In a survey Jaimini Patel and I carried out, one hundred percent of the adults we questioned agreed smoking should be banned in public places.

say that if people reduced the levels of salt they eat, then roughly 70,000 less people would have heart attacks and strokes in just one year.

Netdoctor.com

Smoking has been proven to be extremely dangerous for people's health. Heart disease, bronchitis and lung cancer are all smoking related illnesses. According to the respected website 'netdoctor.com', about 11,4000 people die each year from smoking related illnesses in Britain alone. These horrible diseases have killed millions all over the world, also putting the smoker's risk of having a heart attack 70% higher.

Netdoctor.com also says that cigarettes contain over 4000 harmful chemicals, including the drug nicotine. This drug affects the brain in many ways, such as craving, anxiety, restlessness, headaches, hunger, and can also make you lose your appetite.

Smokers also often tend to sprinkle large amounts of salt on their food, as it takes away the revolting taste left behind by the cigarette. Salt is not good for your health. Health experts in Britain have proven that salt raises your blood pressure. Doctors



Smoking for years can cause severe organ damage. In the above picture, this person's lungs have turned black.

By Jaimini Patel and Rebecca Wilding (6SH)

Twenty to twenty-five years would also be cut off the

Video games— Harmless entertainment or dangerous influence?

Did you know boys who play violent video games for a minimum of 40 minutes per day they may experience 180 incidents of aggression per day or 5,400 incidents per month? In 98% of the games surveyed, aggression went up by 40% for the children that played violent video games.



Are video games turning our generation into mindless zombies?

80% percent of my colleagues think that video games should not have violence. them. The debate or the demand for banning violent video games has risen from the fact that there are several violent effects on children, which are too severe to ignore.

One of the major effects of these games is that it provokes aggression and makes children violent and short tempered. Secondly, the violence, blood, etc. shown in these games can have a negative effect on children and can even lead to insomnia.*

Video games are addictive and can keep children engaged for a long time; which when denied can lead to restlessness and irritation. One of the most dangerous effects of video games on children and teenagers is that

most of them try to imitate the act in real life which can be dangerous as well as fatal.

- = inability to sleep

- By Aoife Morgan
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Quiz Answers



WWI Quiz

1. Repair the Trenches, prepare for an attack from the enemy, and prepare to attack an enemy.
2. Trench Foot and Trench Mouth.
3. Six months
4. Collapse and the mud would fall in the Trench or the soldiers would get sucked in by the sticky mud.
5. Triple Alliance and The Triple Entente