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PRESS RELEASE

Preparation is key for the perfect finish

The Preparation Group's custom-built training facility at Lincoln hosted the training on surface preparation for FeRFA apprentices in the Resin 15 and Screed 1 groups. The trainer, Stephen Walker, gave the apprentices plenty of opportunity for hand-on experience with the machines.

Starting with the essential techniques of proper floor preparation, with a combination of classroom teaching and practical experience the trainees learnt the various methods of surface preparation and the choice of equipment available.

This group has now completed the first ten modules of their two year apprenticeship and will continue their training in 2016 with further combined classroom and practical sessions on Coatings, Self smoothing, Screeds & Covings and Flowable Screeds.



The apprentices in this group are (pictured left): Resin: Christopher Davey & Liam King (IRL Group Ltd), Alex Bowers (John Lord & Son Ltd), Paul Ratcliffe, Anthony Rowell and Matthew Haines (Midland Industrial Flooring), Anthony O'Keeffe (Senso) and Robert Atkins (Central Flooring Services)

Screeding: Michael Gibbs and Thomas Henderson (Trent Construction Services) and pictured below: Scott Barclay and Jordan Burgess (TPS360 Ltd)

The FeRFA website has comprehensive information on training and grants, including the apprenticeship schemes for In Situ Resin flooring, Surface Preparation and Screeding. FeRFA also offers Upskilling courses (tutor-delivered and on-line). Visit <u>www.ferfa.org.uk</u> to find out more.



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