

FROM ALPHA TO OMEGA



'Life in all its fullness'

(JOHN 10:10)



Weekly newsletter
Friday 28th November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week

The boys' and girls' football teams had another fantastic match on Tuesday night, with both teams showing real progression in their skills since their last match. Thank you to Mr Philippou, Mrs Dolezar and Mrs King for accompanying them and cheering them on!

Institute for Equity review

As I mentioned in my ParentHub post, Professor Paul Miller from the Institute for Equity is coming into school on Tuesday 2nd December to hear views from parents, children and staff about EDI (Equality, Diversity and Inclusion). He is meeting parents in person at 9am and on [Zoom](#) at 12.30pm and we would love for you to be there. Please 'like' the ParentHub post if you intend to come so we know what room to put everyone in!

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

<https://www.camden.gov.uk/imagination-library>

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is a free programme that gifts books to children. The programme was started by Dolly Parton in 1995. She was inspired by her father, who could not read or write. The programme's goal is to help children everywhere love reading.

All books in the Imagination Library are published by Penguin Random House UK and carefully selected by a panel of experts in early childhood development and reading. The selections are refreshed regularly, so families with multiple children will receive new books to enjoy.

Registered children will receive a free, high-quality, age-appropriate book addressed to them in the post each month, until their 5th birthday.

The first book every child will receive, regardless of age, will be *The Tale of Peter Rabbit* by Beatrix Potter. This is the welcome book introducing your family to the programme. After that, the books your child receives will be based on their year of birth.

When you receive the package, you'll find a QR code that you can scan to find tips on how to enjoy books with your child.

Parent Consultations

Parent Consultations continue on Wednesday 3rd December. If you haven't already done so, please also log in to your Arbor account to book a consultation with your child's class teacher. For parents who are new to Emmanuel, please note that all class teacher appointments take place in the school hall, allowing you to book back-to-back

appointments for multiple children if needed. In addition, appointments are available with Mrs Watkins to discuss wellbeing or pastoral care. These meetings take place in the Bubble, providing a quieter and more private setting. If you have any questions, please do contact us on admin@emmanuel.camden.sch.uk.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

The Emmanuel Team

[Diary Dates](#) – click here for our school calendar

Here is a list of important dates for the Autumn Term 2025:

Key:

	PFE events
	In-school events to which parents are invited
	Dates to note

Date	Event	Year group	Location
Monday 1 st December	St. Andrew's Day celebration	St. Andrew's House	
Tuesday 2 nd December 2pm	Christmas Pantomime	All	School hall
Tuesday 2 nd December 5.30 – 6pm	CSSA Football	Football squad	Castlehaven
Wednesday 3 rd December 3-6pm	Parent Consultations	All	School hall
Thursday 4 th December	Brass Concert	Year 5 and 6	School hall
Friday 5 th December	Trip (Space workshop)	Year 5	Natural History Museum
Saturday 6 th December 2-6pm	Christmas Fayre	All	
Monday 8 th December 3.30-4.30	Christingle Service	Year 1 – Year 6	Emmanuel Church
Tuesday 9 th December 4 – 5.30pm	CSSA Football	Football squad	Castlehaven
Wednesday 10 th December	Trip	Year 4	National Portrait Gallery
Thursday 11 th December	EYFS Christmas Show	Nursery and Reception	School hall
Friday 12 th December	Christmas Jumper Day	All	
Friday 12 th December	Christmas lunch	All	
Monday 15 th December 1 – 3pm	Football tournament	Development squad (Some Y5 and 6s)	MUGA
Wednesday 17 th December 10am & 2pm	Nativity	Year 1 and 2	School hall
Friday 19 th December 12.30pm	End of term	All	

*Please note that some trips and events will be added over the course of the term

WREATH MAKING & ART WORKSHOP

Sunday 30th November at 3pm
at Emmanuel Church, West Hampstead



The Emmanuel Flower group will forage all materials for fully compostable wreaths and decorations, and lead us in a fun filled afternoon!

Adult Wreath Workshop: £25

Join us for a gentle and inspiring Christmas workshop led by artist (and Emmanuel parishioner) Anna Kiparis. Together, we will explore watercolour and its remarkable ability to convey light. In Advent we look forward to the arrival of the Light of the World, a light that shines in darkness and brings hope, wonder and renewal. This workshop offers a moment to draw nearer to that light through creativity and reflection. No drawing experience is required.



Adult Art Workshop: £25



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book



Emmanuel Church, West Hampstead

Christmas Collection

Collecting until December 14

One in five children won't get presents this Christmas.
We are collecting gift donations to help those in need.

We're inviting you to donate unwrapped gifts - this allows parents to choose and wrap something special for their children themselves.

We are especially looking for gifts for teenagers, but all donations are welcome!

You can drop off donations in the box at the back of the church anytime!

Thank you for making a difference!



Lyncroft Gardens
NW6 1JU
info@emmanuelNW6.com

CAMDEN Parent Carer Forum

‘Breakfast Club’

Wednesday 26th November 2025 10.30-11.30am
Agar Children’s Centre and Family Hub (Wrotham Rd, London NW1 9SU)



Join us for a relaxed morning with a light breakfast, warm drinks, and great company!

It’s a chance to connect with other SEND parents and carers, switch off from the realities of day-to-day life and feel supported in a friendly, welcoming space.

If you are new and haven’t joined us before, why not make this your first time? We are a friendly bunch, and we’d love to see you there!

To book a place please email: Camdenpcf@kids.org.uk / Aishatu.Mohammed@kids.org.uk
Or you can call or text 07385 003 662

**CAMHS Support Session for Parents and Carers of Children with
Additional Needs in Camden**

Understanding and Managing Behaviour in children (all ages)

When: Monday 24th November 11:45am-1pm

Where: On ZOOM (Register for a link)



A group session run on Zoom by Mosaic CAMHS to think about how to understand behaviours of concern in children. We explore meanings of behaviour and approaches to building parental confidence to help prevent and manage behaviours of concern.

BOOK EARLY - only a limited number of spaces available.

This CAMHS support session will be delivered by Susan Cottam, clinical psychologist, and Adele O'Hanlon, child psychotherapist, who are working with many Camden families.

To book onto this session please email:

Jade.Green@kids.org.uk Text or call Jade on 07711 767 258 Or contact

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<https://www.facebook.com/CamdenSpecialParentsForum>

CAMDEN

Parent Carer Forum

AUTUMN TERM Calendar 2025

Welcome to our AUTUMN Term Calendar of events, workshops and meetings for any parent, carer in Camden with a child or young person (0- 25 years) with special needs. Whether you are seeking guidance, looking to share your experiences or simply hoping to connect with other parents or carers, our calendar has something for everyone. Please join us!

Coffee Mornings are a chance to meet other parents for a chat & to share advice and info.

Walk and Talks are relaxed walks on Hampstead Heath and a chance to get together with other parents, have a cup of coffee along the way and just talk about anything and everything.

Workshops are held each term jointly with other services and agencies on various subjects.

Forum Meetings are when we get together as parents with different professionals from services in and around Camden – ask questions, get updates and give feedback.

If you would like to attend any of the events on our calendar below, request a zoom link for our online workshops, find out more information or to join our membership and receive regular updates directly - [please get in touch](#):

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Jade.Green@kids.org.uk. Text or Call Jade on 07825 671 523

We are also on Facebook – www.facebook.com/CamdenSpecialParentsForum Twitter [@CamdenSPForum](https://twitter.com/CamdenSPForum) and IG [@CamdenPCF](https://www.instagram.com/CamdenPCF) Please do connect with us!

November

- 4 Tue Tour of Charlie Ratchford Court (Extra care scheme) 11am-12pm, Chalk farm - Registration required
- 11 Tue Forum meeting, 10:30am-12:30pm @ Greenwood Centre, Kentish Town.
- 17 Mon Walk and Talk, 10:15am-12:30pm, @ Hampstead Heath.
- 18 Tue Movement, Relaxation & Lunch 12pm-2pm @ Kentish Town Congregational Church, Kelly Street, NW1 8PH.
- 24 Mon Understanding and Managing Behaviour Workshop with CAMHS all ages, 11:45am-1pm Online register for link.
- 26 Wed Parent Carer Forum Breakfast Club, 10:30am-11:30am @ Agar Children's centre & Family Hub (NW1 9SU).

December

- 1 Mon 'Lunch and Learn' with the Forum Team, 12.30-1.30pm Online register for link.
- 2 Tue Movement, Relaxation & Lunch 12pm-2pm @ Kentish Town Congregational Church, Kelly Street, NW1 8PH
- 3 Wed Annual Review Workshop with SENDIASS, 10.30am-12:30pm @Greenwood Centre, Kentish Town.
- 8 Mon Walk and Talk, 10:15am-12:30pm, @ Hampstead Heath.
- 9 Tue Forum winter wind down, 12pm-2pm @ Greenwood Centre, Kentish Town.



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Spotlight on Autism

Wednesday 26th November
10:30am – 12:00pm

Hear from a panel of specialists and those with a lived experience of autism.

Ask Your Questions

Share or submit your questions in advance for the panel to discuss.

For Parents & Carers

Open to all parents and carers of autistic young people - come to connect, to learn, and to be inspired.

**For more information or to
submit a question, contact:**
haverstockSEND@H3federation.org.uk



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Entries close on December 19th 2025.

