

FROM ALPHA TO OMEGA



Weekly newsletter
Friday 13th February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's the end of another great half term at Emmanuel, with lots of exciting learning, trips, workshops and visits having taken place over the course of the last six weeks.

Wellbeing Day

We had a fantastic Wellbeing Day, filled with thoughtful activities and special moments for everyone involved. Throughout the day, the children took part in a wide range of mental health and wellbeing activities, including Yoga, sessions focused on belonging and developing a growth mindset, and creating heartfelt cards for patients at the Royal Free Hospital. After lunch, the children enjoyed a special show and tell, sharing items that give them emotional support. Each class also welcomed a visit from a pet, which was a real highlight and brought great joy and excitement across the school.

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to Mrs Watkins and our Wellbeing Champions, Angelica, Ava, Dhilan, Ella, Thehan and Zoe, whose hard work, care and enthusiasm helped make the day such a special and meaningful experience for everyone.

Year 5's Sharing Assembly

This week, Year 5 wowed us with their fantastic sharing assembly, Shakespeare Rocks. The children performed with confidence and real enthusiasm, clearly demonstrating the hard work and dedication they had put into preparing for the occasion. It was a pleasure to see such strong teamwork on display and a wonderful reminder of what can be achieved when everyone works together.

We feel very lucky to have such a dedicated team in Mrs Harrington, Ms Dolezar, Mrs King and Miss Adams, whose commitment and help our children to shine.

Camden Maths Challenge

A huge well done to Gideon, Izabel, Paris and Thehan, who represented our school at the Camden Maths Challenge this week. Competing against Year 6 pupils from nine other Camden primary schools, they took on six devilishly challenging rounds of mathematical problem-solving. After a slow start, the team steadily climbed the leaderboard, showing impressive determination and focus throughout the afternoon. By the final round, they had worked their way up to a fantastic 4th place. I was incredibly proud of the resilience, teamwork and positive attitude they demonstrated — they represented the school brilliantly. Well done, team!

St. Paul's Cathedral

Some of our Year 6 pupils visited St Paul's this week to attend a special LDBS service on The Power of Forgiveness: Restoring Relationships. It was a reflective and uplifting occasion, encouraging the children to think deeply about reconciliation, compassion and the importance of mending relationships. A special well done to Tiggy, who designed a beautiful jigsaw piece that formed part of a collaborative artwork created during the service alongside contributions from many other schools.

We would also like to celebrate Mrs Harrington and Year 5 for their fantastic work in DT on our new school banner, which represents our school vision and values. Every child designed and created their own square, and these were carefully stitched together to form one vibrant piece. We were incredibly proud to see the banner processed into the cathedral as part of the service. It is a meaningful reflection of our whole school community — do come and take a look just behind the office doors, once we've worked out the best way to hang it properly on the wall!

Year 6 Staffing Update

As we move closer to the SATs period, we will be making a small adjustment to the staffing arrangements in Year 6 to provide consistency and focused support during this important time. Mr Edwards will be taking on the majority of the teaching in the class, supported by Miss Roscoe, Miss McManus and other members of our dedicated Emmanuel staff team. As part of this change, Mr Halpenny will no longer be teaching his usual days in Year 6. We are very grateful for the enthusiasm, care and commitment he has shown over the past two half terms, and I know the children have really valued his support. Mr Halpenny remains on our preferred supply agency list, so you may still see him around school from time to time. We look forward to welcoming him back whenever the opportunity arises and thank him sincerely for all he has contributed to Year 6.

PFE February Challenge

A quick reminder about the PFE challenge running until the end of February. This is an opportunity for the children to fundraise for the school through a sponsored challenge – anything from a run, a cycle, a swim, reading books, washing cars ... Children were given envelopes two weeks ago with a sponsorship form. They can return any money collected for this challenge in the envelope to school by the end of this month or you can use the link or QR code on the sponsorship form. We have also sent the links out via the class WhatsApp groups. Half term might present the ideal time to take on this challenge!

World Book Day at Emmanuel

On Thursday 5th March we will be celebrating World Book Day! Children are invited to come dressed as their favourite book character and we will have our traditional World Book Day costume parade for Nursery to Year 6 from 9:00 – 9:30 in the MUGA (Omega playground). All parents are welcome to come and watch the parade. There will be a prize for one child in each class.

As this is the National Year of Reading, we have planned some extra events to include parents. Here is a list of events that will happen throughout the week. Please take a look and take part if you can. **Events involving parents are in blue.** We look forward to sharing our love of reading with you!

Day	Involving	Event	Details
Monday - Friday	EYFS and KS1	Secret Reader – Come and make a special visit to your child's classroom to share one of your favourite stories with their class.	If you would like to take part, please contact your class teacher to arrange a suitable time.
Monday - Friday	Whole school	Buddy Reading - children from partner classes will spend time reading to each other.	
Monday - Friday	EYFS and KS1	'My Best Book Show and Tell' . Children are invited to bring their favourite book to class for show and tell.	Teachers will let children know what day to bring in a book.
Wednesday 4 th March	Year 4	Trip to Queens Park Library	

Thursday 5 th March	Nursery – Year 6	Fancy Dress – children and staff come dressed as their favourite book character.	Children are invited to bring in a voluntary donation of £1 which will be used to buy new Non-Fiction books for our school Library.
Thursday 5 th March	Nursery – Year 6	World Book Day Parade - Children will show off their costumes to parents and each other. A prize is given to one child in each class.	In the MUGA (Omega playground) 9:00 – 9:30 All parents welcome.
Thursday 5 th March	Years 3 - 6	World Book Day live lesson that celebrates the magic of stories and the joy of writing.	
Friday 6 th March	Nursery – Year 6	Booky Breakfast – come and join your child in class to share a book together and have some breakfast treats.	All parents welcome. 8:30 – 9:00 In classrooms

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

Here is a list of important dates for the Spring Term 2026:

Key:

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

Date	Event	Year group	Location
Monday 16 th – Friday 20 th February	Half Term	All	
Tuesday 24 th February am	Whisper Me Happy workshop	Year 5	Hall
Tuesday 24 th February 12.30 – 3.30pm	CSSA Football Final	Girls' Football Squad	Talacre
Wednesday 25 th February	MARS Balloon Workshop	Year 5	Hall
Thursday 26 th February 2.30pm	Sharing assembly	Year 6	Hall
Friday 27 th February 9am-12pm	Drama workshops	Years 2 – 5	Hall
Monday 2 nd March	St. David's Day dress up	St. David's House	
Wednesday 4 th March	Trip	Year 4	Kilburn Library
Wednesday 4 th March 2.30pm	Sharing assembly	Year 2	Hall
Thursday 5 th March 9.15am	World Book Day parade	All	MUGA
Friday 6 th March am	Great Explorers Workshop	Year 1 and 2	Hall
Thursday 12 th March 2.30pm	Sharing assembly	Year 1	Hall
Tuesday 17 th March	St. Patrick's Day dress up	St. Patrick's House	
Wednesday 18 th March 3 – 6pm	Parent consultations	All	Hall
Thursday 19 th March 9.30am	Brass concert	Year 5 and 6	Hall
Friday 20 th March 2.30pm	Sharing assembly	Reception	Hall
Monday 23 rd March	Trip	Year 4	Camley Street
Wednesday 25 th March 3 – 6pm	Parent consultations	All	Hall
Thursday 26 th March 10am and 2pm	Easter Play	Year 3 and 4	Hall
Friday 27 th March 12.30pm	Finish school	All	

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

** Please be aware that this time has recently changed

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Here is a list of important dates for the Summer Term 2026:

Key:

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

Date	Event	Year group	Location
Wednesday 15 th April	Trip to meet MP	School council	Houses of Parliament
Thursday 16 th April	Brass starts	Year 5 & 6	Hall
Friday 17 th April	Crick Workshops	Yrs 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6	Classrooms
Monday 20 th April	Trip	Year 4	Science Museum
Tuesday 21 st April	NSPCC workshops	Year 2, 5 & 6	Classrooms
Thursday 23 rd April	St. George's Day dress up	St. George's House	
Thursday 23 rd April 2pm	Emmanuel's Got Talent final	Finalists	Hall
Wb Mondays 27 th April	Mock SATs	Year 6	Year 6 classroom
Friday 1 st May	Swimming gala	Some KS2 children	Swiss Cottage pool
Monday 4 th May	Bank holiday	All	
Wb Monday 11 th May	KS2 SATs week	Year 6	Various classrooms
Monday 11 th May pm	Outdoor learning	Year 4	Hampstead Heath
Wb Monday 18 th May	KS1 SATs week	Year 2	Various classrooms
Monday 18 th May	EYFS IEP Meetings	Some EYFS children	Zoom
Wednesday 20 th May	IEP Meetings	Some KS1 & KS2 children	Zoom
Friday 22 nd May	INSET Day	All	
Monday 25 th – Friday 29 th May	Half term	All	
Wb Monday 1 st June	Multiplication tables check	Year 4	Classroom
Wb Monday 8 th June	Phonics screening check	Year 1	Classroom
Wb Monday 8 th June	Assessment week	All	
Saturday 13 th June 2-6pm	PFE Summer Fayre	All	
Wednesday 24 th June	Class photographs	All	Playground
Friday 26 th June am	Moving Up Day	All	
Wb Monday 29 th June	Diversity Week	All	
Wb Monday 29 th June	Swimming	Year 4	Swiss Cottage pool
Wednesday 1 st July 4.30 – 6.30pm	PFE International Evening	All	Omega playground
Thursday 2 nd July	Camden Secondary transition day	Some Year 6s	
Friday 3 rd July 2-3pm	Country Dancing	Year 1-6	MUGA
Wb Monday 6 th July	Swimming	Year 4	Swiss Cottage pool
Wednesday 8 th July 2pm & 5pm	End of Year production	Year 5 & 6	Hall
Friday 10 th July	Reports go out	All	
Wednesday 15 th July 2.30pm	Reception Graduation	Reception	Hall
Thursday 16 th July 2-3pm	Leavers' Service	Reception – Year 6	Emmanuel Church
Friday 17 th July 12.30pm	Break up for summer	All	
Monday 20 th July	INSET Day	All	

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School visionaries

Congratulations to these children for showing our school vision and values this week:
From Alpha to Omega - life in all its fullness. (John 10:10)

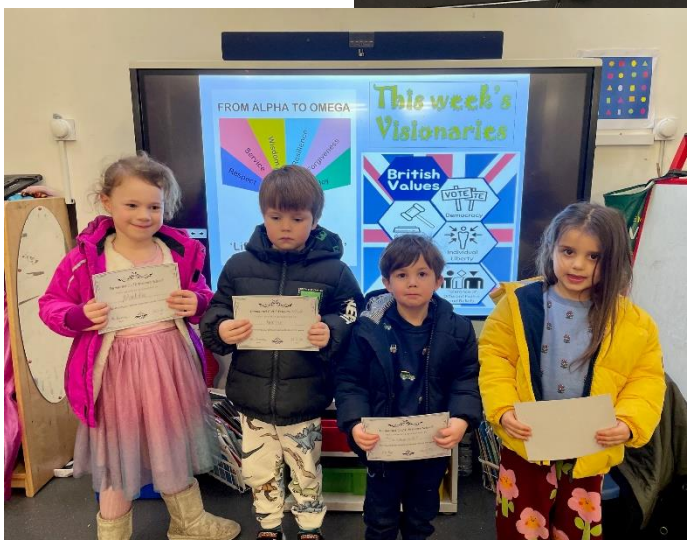


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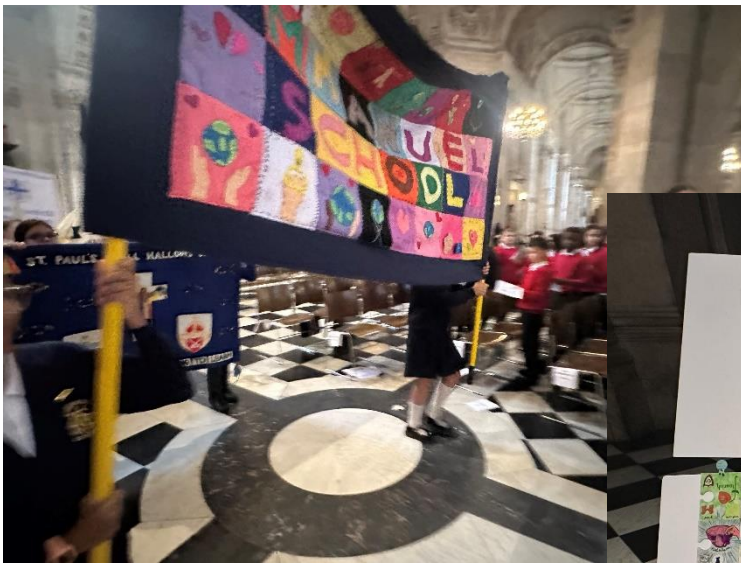


Nursery: Ettore and Adri
Reception: Maddie and Herbie
Year 1: Amelie and Ralphie
Year 2: Luke and Keira
Year 3: Olive and Ishaan
Year 4: Clara-Louise and Leon
Year 5: Year 5
Year 6: Izabel and Paris

Shakespeare Rocks!



LDBS annual service at St. Paul's Cathedral



Year 4 trip to BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir Neasden Temple



Camden Maths Challenge





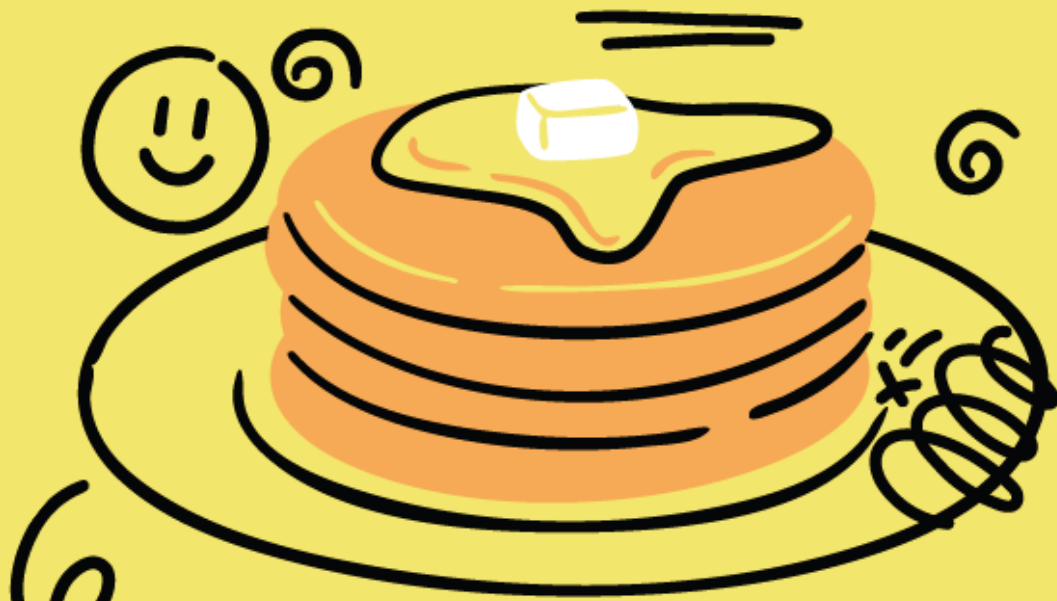
Wellbeing Day 2026!

Wellbeing Day 2026 - afternoon!



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PANCAKE DAY PARTY



TUESDAY 17 FEBRUARY

4PM: WORKSHOP FOR KIDS
AGED 3-10

5:30PM: PANCAKE FEAST
FOR EVERYONE!

6PM: YOUTH HANGOUT



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Upcoming events for **kids & youth**



FEB
18

PANCAKE DAY PARTY

4pm-5:30pm Workshop for kids aged 3-10
5:30pm Pancake Time
6pm-7:30pm Youth Hangout with food, music and games



FEB
22

YMIC YOUTH EVENT

4pm-8pm Youth Event at Oxygen Trampoline Park with 100+ young people. **Year 6+**. Email emmanuelyouthwork@gmail.com to book your spot!



MAR
01

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREP

Year 3+. Sundays 01/03 - 26/04 **11:45am-12:30pm**. Email vicar@emmanuelnw6.com to register your child's interest.



MAR
30

ART AND DRAMA CAMP

30/03-03/04 Camp with Heath Street Baptist and students from Austria Email Info@emmanuelnw6.com to book your spot.



APR
03

GOOD FRIDAY WORKSHOP

10am-1pm workshop for kids 3-10

APR
05

EASTER DAY SERVICE WITH EGG HUNT

10:30am All Age Easter Day service with Easter Egg Hunt around the church



Lyncroft Gardens, NW6 1JU
Any questions? Email emmanuelyouthwork@gmail.com

HEATH STREET BAPTIST

Join Emmanuel, Heath Street Baptist and students
from Vienna Baptistengemeinde Churches for:

EASTER HOLIDAY THEATRE WORKSHOP



When:
March 30 - April 3 2026



Where:
Emmanuel Church West Hampstead
Lyncroft Gardens, NW6 1JU



Time:
Breakfast: **8:30am** (included)
Workshop: **9am - 5pm**



Age:
8-80 years



Price:
£5 per day

Book your place now:
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**Half Term
Story Telling Sessions On**

Tuesday 17th February

Pancras Square Library, N1C 4AG

10:30am-12noon

Queens Crescent Library, NW5 4HH

1:30pm-3:00pm

Wednesday 18th February

Kentish Town Library, NW5 2AA

10:30am-12noon

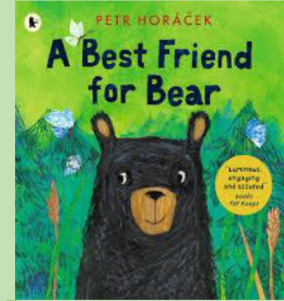
Highgate Library, N19 5DH

1:30pm-3:00pm

Call Alison on 07876 651950 to book your place
You must book to join in (due to health & safety rules)

A fun arts and crafts resource making session to bring the story to life.

Make a prop to join in with the adventure.



Every family will be gifted with a copy of the book

EMOTION COACHING

This is a two-part workshop; both sessions need to be attended

The workshop is interactive, a mixture of discussion, reflection & presentation

The workshop aims to support parent/carers to understand and validate their child's emotions, respond more helpfully during moments of heightened emotions, and implement appropriate boundary setting

Sign up with the QR code below:



Tuesday 24th Feb & 3rd March,
12.00 to 2.00pm,
Harmood Children's Centre,
Forge Pl, Ferdinand St, NW1 8DQ

