

FROM ALPHA TO OMEGA



'Life in all its fullness'

(JOHN 10:10)



Weekly newsletter
Friday 27th March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We've reached the end of a wonderful Spring term! Well done to all the children for their hard work, positive attitudes, and resilience in their learning—we are incredibly proud of everything they have achieved.

Easter Play

Year 3 and Year 4 delighted us with their wonderful performance of *Three Little Trees* yesterday. The children told the story beautifully, sharing its powerful message with confidence and enthusiasm. From the expressive acting to the clear narration and singing, every pupil played their part brilliantly. We were so proud of their teamwork and the way they brought the story to life for the audience. Well done to all involved for such a memorable and thoughtful Easter performance, and especially to Mr Souster, Ms Cooper, Mrs Parker and Mrs Koopman for preparing and rehearsing the children so wonderfully!

New Parent Governor

As you may have seen in my ParentHub post, parents and carers have elected a new Parent Governor. I am delighted to announce that Lucy Borg-Bassett has been chosen for this important role. As Parent Governor, Lucy will represent the views of parents and carers at Governing Body meetings, as well as supporting and providing constructive challenge to help ensure the school continues to thrive. Welcome to the team, Lucy – we look forward to working with you!

Lunch Arrangements

If your child will be switching their lunch arrangement after the Easter break, please contact the office.

Leaving School

Reception – Year 5. If your child will be leaving Emmanuel at the end of the summer term, please let us know as soon as possible by completing the form available from the office.

Events

In preparation for the Summer term, the busiest term for events and celebrations, we thought we'd do a little explainer about all the events coming up this term, for the uninitiated...

Emmanuel's Got Talent

Emmanuel's Got Talent is a school-wide event celebrating the amazing skills and creativity of our pupils. Following a full round of auditions, the school council carefully selects the final twelve acts to perform in the final. The parents of these shortlisted children will then be contacted and invited to attend this special event.

Sports Day

This is an event for Reception to Year 6 at South Hampstead Sports Ground, Lymington Road. Expect the usual sack and egg-and-spoon races, as well as fiercely competitive running races for older children. Bring a picnic and cross your fingers for good weather! Nursery will have their own Sports Day on this day, details of which will be shared nearer the time.

PFE Summer Fayre

The Summer Fayre is the he biggest bonanza of the year! This year's exciting theme is Hawaii—a perfect opportunity to come together (hopefully in some glorious sunshine!) and enjoy a fantastic afternoon of summer fun, games, and vibrant island vibes.

The event is open to all Emmanuel families as well as the wider community, so do bring along friends and family to join the celebrations. It will take place in the Omega playground and the school hall.

Keep an eye out for upcoming communications from the PFE with details on how you can get involved—we'd love for you to be part of it!

Moving Up Day

On this day, all children will learn who their new class team will be for the next academic year in a special assembly, and spend half a day in their new classroom doing transition activities for the coming year. We will also send out communication to parents on this day so you can see staffing across the school.

PFE International Evening

An evening event for all the family, International Evening is chance to bring and share cuisine from all the different communities which make up our wonderfully diverse school. It usually takes place in the school hall and in the Omega playground.

Country Dancing

This is a very longstanding Emmanuel event, with the first Country Dancing performance when the school first opened in 1845, originally taking place on the green outside Emmanuel Church. Nowadays, it takes place in the MUGA (the sports pitch behind the Omega building); Year 6 continue the tradition by performing the Maypole, and the other classes from Years 1-5 perform a dance from a variety of countries around the world. This event coincides with our Diversity Week, where we celebrate diversity in families, culture and heritage. Parents and carers are all invited to watch.

End of Year Production

This used to be called the Year 6 Production but as it now involves children from Year 5 too, its name had to be changed. This year we are performing Annie Jr, and there will be two performances on Wednesday 16th July. All children in the school will have the opportunity to watch the show in school time, but parents are welcome to bring siblings to watch the show again at 5pm should they wish. And if you're an Annie fan, but don't have a child in Year 5 or 6, don't let that stop you from coming along!

Reception Graduation

This is Reception class's official goodbye to the Alpha building before they move to the Omega building in September. The event takes place in the main school hall, and is performed for parents and carers, plus children from the rest of the school if it feels appropriate nearer the time. Expect singing, talking about hopes and dreams for the future, and few happy tears (from the parents!).

Leavers' Service

This is our end-of-year service at Emmanuel Church, where we invite parents and carers from Reception to Year 6 to say goodbye to our Year 6 class, plus any other children and staff leaving Emmanuel. Two prizes are given to children in each class for achievement and effort, plus some special prizes for Year 6 leavers, inspired by important members of the Emmanuel and West Hampstead communities.

Wishing you a lovely Easter holiday,
The Emmanuel Team

EYFS Easter Egg Hunt



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

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	Trip	Year 5	The Crick
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
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	
Friday 12 th June 9am – 1pm	Sports Day	Rec – Year 6	SHHS Sports Ground
Saturday 13 th June 2-6pm	PFE Summer Fayre	All	
Monday 15 th June pm	Outdoor learning	Year 4	Hampstead Heath
Wednesday 24 th June	Class photographs	All	Playground
Thursday 25 th June 9.30am	Brass concert	Year 5 and 6	Hall
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	

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

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: Laia and Felix
Reception: All of Reception
Year 1: Maria and Sebastian
Year 2: Diego and Bianca
Year 3: Sienna and James
Year 4: All of Year 4
Year 5: Baldur and Athina
Year 6: Eric and Beltran



Fun-filled Easter egg hunt! Thank you to the PFE!



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The Good News Bulletin



If you would like to nominate your child, please send a photo and quick blurb to admin@emmanuel.camden.sch.uk or your child can tell me about it on the gate 😊

Amar did his grading tests in karate club last week. He was awarded his new purple & white belt (4th kyu). He's been doing karate for 3 years now and has the highest ranking in the club! Well done Amar; this shows true ambition and resilience!



Emmanuel CoE Primary supports

Kids Book Club

New

Every first Thursday of the Month
16:30 - 17:30

For kids attending Y4-Y6 only
For kids reading chapter books
Free of charge but commitment to
source one book per month

Contact Fabi Barticioti WhatsApp at 07847 277 691



INFO@EMMANUELNW6.COM

HOLY WEEK

AT EMMANUEL & ST. CUTHBERT CHURCHES

PALM SUNDAY

8am Said Eucharist
10:15am Eucharist with procession
and palm leaves from WH Thameslink

GOOD FRIDAY

10am Workshop for children aged 3-10
2pm Good Friday liturgy

PASSION PLAY

Free entry
7pm Good Friday
3pm Holy Saturday

DAILY MASS

Monday - Wednesday 7pm

MAUNDY THURSDAY

7:30pm Eucharist with
Footwashing & Stripping
of the Altar

EASTER SUNDAY

5.30am Easter Vigil with breakfast
10:30am Festive Eucharist
followed by Easter Egg Hunt

All events will take place at Emmanuel Church.



EMMANUEL CHURCH

LYNCROFT GARDENS, NW6 1JU

ST. CUTHBERT'S CHURCH

FORDWYCH ROAD, NW2, 3TN



LYNCROFT GARDENS, NW6 1JU - INFO@EMMANUELNW6.COM

EMMANUEL CHURCH, WEST HAMPSTEAD

GOOD FRIDAY WORKSHOP

FRIDAY, APRIL 03, 2026
10 AM - 1 PM

Get creative and explore the story of Good Friday with us in this **free workshop!**

- For children aged 3+
- **Arts and crafts**
- Build your own **Easter Garden**
- Make **Hot Cross Buns**





Does your child (year 3+) play an instrument or sing?

Would they like the chance to perform in a warm and supportive environment?

Then this is the concert for them!

Saturday May 9th at 4.30pm
(Performers arrive at 3pm to rehearse)

To sign up email: info@emmanuelnw6.com
(please include your instrument and your choice of piece along with your backing track accompaniment should you need)

Emmanuel Church, Lyncroft Gardens NW6 1JU 07751534297



Easter holiday cycle training for children

Free cycle training sessions for children during the half term break. The training is free of charge and is delivered over two days; however, booking is required to secure a place.

Aimed at children and young people aged 6 and above. We offer **Children Learn to Cycle** for children who cannot balance and want to learn how to balance and **Children Building Cycle Confidence** – for children who can ride and would like to prepare for on road cycling. These sessions will include how to start and stop safely, using gears, signalling and stopping in emergencies.

7 + 8 April 26	Children Building Cycle Confidence	10:00 - 11:00	
	Children Learn to Cycle	11:30 - 12:30	

9 + 10 April 26	Children Building Cycle Confidence	10:00 - 11:00	
	Children Learn to Cycle	11:30 - 12:30	

VENUE: Haverstock School, 24 Haverstock Hill. Chalk Farm. NW3 2BQ

For more information, or to book onto a course please email - cycletraining@camden.gov.uk
Please state which set of dates and which course you would like to book, and you will be sent details on how to register.

Please ensure you bring your own roadworthy bike.

There are some bikes available to borrow. But we cannot guarantee there will be a suitable bike for every rider.



Camden Family Learning FREE Story Sacks for Children Aged 3 Years Plus



Easter Holidays Story Telling Sessions On

Tuesday 31st March

Swiss Cottage Library, NW3 3HA
10:30am-12noon (Mrs Mole I'm Home)
West Hampstead Library, NW6 1AU
1:30pm-3:00pm (Mrs Mole I'm Home)



Thursday 2nd April

Camden Town Library, NW1 1BD
10:30am-12noon (A Best Friend for Bear)
Queens Crescent Library, NW5 4HH
1:30pm-3:00pm (Mrs Mole I'm Home)

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 story prop to join in with the story adventure.



Every family will be gifted with a copy of the book



Additional Needs Soft Play



Upcoming dates
All sessions are 17:15 - 18:00

APRIL 2026
13TH APRIL
27TH APRIL



Email us to book your session
softplay@thesherriffcentre.co.uk

Kids Family Information and Support Sessions

for Carers of Disabled Children



(Kids Surgery – by appointment only)



If you are a Camden resident and have a child with disabilities, we can help you with:



The Surgery is run one Tuesday per month at Kilburn Grange Children's Centre, 1 Palmerston Road, NW6 2JL:

6th January 2026

7th April 2026

3rd February 2026

5th May 2026

3rd March 2026

2nd June 2026

Please email camdenkeyworking@kids.org.uk with the subject appointment in Kilburn stating your name, child's name, D.O.B, along with your contact number and what information/help you will be requiring.

SWIM SCHOOL



HOLIDAY COURSES



SWISS COTTAGE LEISURE CENTRE

EASTER HOLIDAYS

MONDAY 30TH MARCH — FRIDAY 3RD APRIL

Whether your children are beginners or you're wanting to build their confidence, we cater for all levels of ability and will help them progress in the world of water.

FOUNDATION:

For children aged 4 years and over who are non-swimmers and beginners. Teaching pupils the essential swimming skills to ensure they learn to be safe in and around water. Learning the basic techniques for all 4 strokes, achieving 10 metres on Front Crawl and Backstroke by the end of their Green milestones.

FOUNDATION

09:00 – 09:30

09:30 – 10:00

10:00 – 10:30

DEVELOPMENT
10:30 - 11:00

DEVELOPMENT:

Children aged 5-12 years who are able to swim 15m Plus. Teaching pupils advanced swimming skills, developing their techniques on all 4 strokes to create efficient and effective swimmers. Lessons focus on a wide range of skills across all aquatic sports. Pupils will learn basic water survival and rescue skills as part of the milestone awards. Here we will also work with other partner clubs to assess each pupil's ability to progress in talent pathways.

For more information email Kylie.bland@gll.org

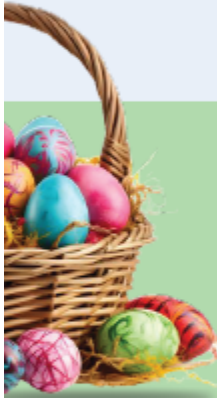
Book your child's lesson online betterlessons.org.uk or alternatively speak to a member of our team at the centre who will be able to support you.

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CAMDENFOODBANK URGENT EASTER DONATION APPEAL



Please help Camden Foodbank to feed local people in food crisis. In the year to March 25, Trussell foodbanks gave out 2.9 million crisis food parcels, **over a million of these emergency food parcels were given out to children.** With food inflation up by over 38% since 2020, many local people have fallen into food poverty. In 2025 Camden Foodbank supported 6,260 people with emergency parcels. **Please help Camden Foodbank this Easter by donating targeted food or money to support local adults and children living in food poverty.**

URGENT FOOD ITEMS !

- Easter Eggs
- Tinned Meat and Fish
- Tinned Vegetables
- Tinned Fruit
- Tinned Tomatoes
- Rice
- Pasta, Pasta Sauce
- Baked Beans
- Long Life Juice
- Long Life Milk
- Tea, Coffee and Sugar
- Cooking Oil
- Cereal
- Toothbrushes & Toothpaste
- Soap & Shower Gel
- Washing Up Liquid
- Laundry Powder
- Toilet paper

• DONATE MONEY THROUGH JUSTGIVING

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/camdenfoodbank>

Please select GIFT AID which will increase your donation.

• FOR CHEQUES / DIRECT DEBITS AND OTHER DONATION

<https://camden.foodbank.org.uk/support-us/donate-money>



JustGiving

• DONATE FOOD IN PERSON

DAY	TIME OPEN	ADDRESS
Tuesday & Friday	11:30am - 3pm	Camden Foodbank, 14 Pratt Mews, London NW1 0AD
Sunday	10am - 12pm	Camden Foodbank, 14 Pratt Mews, London NW1 0AD
Everyday	8am - 10pm	Camden Town Methodist Church, Wesley Hotel Camden Town, 89 Plender Street London NW1 0JN
Everyday	8am - 10pm	Wesley Euston Hotel, 81-103 Euston Street London NW1 2EZ
Thursday	10am - 6pm	St Mary-le-Savoy with St George German Lutheran Church, Sandwich Street London WC1H 9PL
Sunday	10am - 4pm	St Mary-le-Savoy with St George German Lutheran Church, Sandwich Street London WC1H 9PL

• DONATE BY ONLINE SHOPPING

DAY	TIME OPEN	ADDRESS
Tuesday & Friday	11:30am - 2:30pm	Camden Foodbank, 14 Pratt Mews London NW1 0AD

CAMDEN FOODBANK IS CLOSED FOR EASTER FROM 3RD APRIL 2026 AND REOPENS 7TH APRIL 2026.

Please Donate Here



Camden Foodbank 14 Pratt Mews, London NW1 0AD

☎ 07871248704 ✉ info@camden.foodbank.org.uk 🌐 <https://Camden.foodbank.org.uk>

Camden Foodbank registered charity in England and Wales 1213047

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



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Camden's SEND Surgery



Come along to SEND and Inclusion drop-in sessions open to all parents and carers.

SEND officers, managers and services will be available to answer your questions and offer advice about SEND and inclusion in Camden.

Future dates and locations:

Date	Time	Location/School	Address & Map Link
23rd September 2025	10:30 – 12:30	Primrose Primary School	Princess Road, London NW1 8JL
11th November 2025	10:30 – 12:30	Haverstock Secondary School	24 Haverstock Hill, Chalk Farm, London NW3 2BQ
13th January 2026	10:30 – 12:30	Parliament Hill Secondary School	Highgate Road, London NW5 1RL
10th March 2026	10:30 – 12:30	West Hampstead Primary School	Dornfell Street, West Hampstead, London NW6 1QL
28th April 2026	17:00 – 19:00	Harmood School	Harmood Street, Camden, London NW1 8DP
16th June 2026	17:00 – 19:00	St Mary and St Pancras Primary School	81 Werrington Street, London NW1 1QP



Future dates can be found on families.camden.gov.uk/send-local-offer Events and Activities page







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Sign up for a
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FREE trial classes on:

 13th April

 20th April

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 Baby Ballet (18m-3yrs)

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Central London's leading dance school for little dancers is
coming to West Hampstead!

Classes are filled with laughter, imagination and the
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Location

West Hampstead | NW6

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