

FROM ALPHA TO OMEGA



‘Life in all its fullness’

(JOHN 10:10)



Weekly newsletter
Friday 27th January 2023

Dear parents and carers,

Strike action- Wednesday 1st February

A reminder that the NEU teaching strike is affecting our school on Wednesday. Please see the letter that was emailed to parents last week for more information. If your child is in school on Wednesday, they will be based in the Omega building and the gate will open as usual at 8.45am and collection will be at 3.20pm. Thank you to parents and carers for your understanding.

Assemblies

Well done to the children in Year 6 for their wonderful class assembly this week. There were many apt messages from their learning on World War II and all the adults were impressed with their singing and acting. Thank you too to parents and carers for the cake sale, which raised £245.50, which will go to the Year 6 class. Next week, we are looking forward to the **Year 3** class assembly on **Friday at 2.30pm** and the back gate will open for parents at 2.25pm

School uniform

A number of children have been wearing trainers and leggings to school, which are not part of our school uniform. For full details of the expected uniform, [please click this link to our school website](#). Thank you.



Different families, same love

We would like to update our display in the main reception area with as many different photos of our families as possible with the very important message of ‘different families, same love’. If you would be happy for us to use a photo of your family, please do drop it off to the office. Thank you!

Car park

Please remind your child/ren not to play football or ball games in the car park after school for their own safety and to avoid damaging the parked cars. Many thanks for your cooperation.

Congratulations

Congratulations to our Y5/6 girls and boys football team, who have both made it through to the finals of the football league on 21st February. Thank you very much to Mr Philippou, Mr Wright, Miss Dobelli and Miss Winklemann for giving up their time to take the children to the league matches after school.

Lovely email

The school received the email below: Well done to Year 6!

'This morning I was on a Thameslink train with a group of children from your school. Amazing! to summarise it. We hardly heard the children getting on the train. They did not make any noise while on the train. There was no pushing, shoving, screaming or anything similar that I have experienced previously with children from other schools. The teachers calmly stood at their places. They told the children to leave at the next station from a specific door so that they could be counted and that was that. No more reminders or explanations. I travel on Thameslink every morning. Sometimes there are groups of children on school trips. I have never ever seen such wonderfully behaved children. I was deeply impressed so I decided to write to you. Thank you for teaching your students to behave like decent human beings and to respect the others around them.'

Attendance

Our school target for attendance is 96%. This week, well done to Year 2!

Class	Attendance
Nursery	91.4%
Reception	98.2%
Year 1	96.6%
Year 2	99.3%
Year 3	99%
Year 4	95.5%
Year 5	98.6%
Year 6	96.8%
School	97%

Wishing you and your family a lovely weekend,
Miss Burns and the Emmanuel team

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)

Jenuli and Dima in Nursery
Emily and Misha in Reception
Alex and Freja in Year 1
Kim and Louisa in Year 2
Clara and Liam B in Year 3
Caitlin and Quinn in Year 4
Amin & Emma in Year 5
Amber-Rose and Christina in Year 6



Diary Dates

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
30	31	1	2	3
	AM – Y1 trip	Strike action – partial school closure		Year 3 Sharing Assembly to parents
6	7	8	9	10
Children's mental health week	Children's mental health week	Children's mental health week Year 4 Sharing Assembly to parents	Children's mental health week	Children's mental health week Y1 trip to St Paul's Cathedral

Football News

On January 24th we played two matches against Fleet and Primrose Hill. When we played Fleet, we won 6-0. The people who scored were: Christina-4 goes, Natalie-1, Georgia-1. The next match we went against Primrose Hill and won 3-2. In the last second it was 2-2 and to make us win, Christina scored. Now that we have won both games, we are in the finals!

By Beatrice

Yesterday, the school football team went to play football. It was important for us to win to qualify. As we played our first game, we started scoring goal after goal and beat Fleet 6-0. Then the biggest game was Primrose Hill school. We had to win and when we scored, we knew we had won. We celebrated like crazy!

By Christina





27 JANUARY 2023

PFE HAPPENINGS



A big thank you to everyone who contributed unwanted clothing in our recent collection. And to the PFE members and volunteers who coordinated the event. Those unwanted items added even more money to our funds for the academic year. Every penny helps our school!

ATTENTION: WE HAVE TWO GREAT EVENTS COMING UP

THE 2023 CHALLENGE IS HERE!

Last year, our 2022 Challenge raised nearly £3,000 for our school . . . now, it's time to do it again! Maybe we can even top that total!

The children will come home with an info flyer and form, but here's a bit more detail for parents and carers:

- We challenge students to, individually or in groups, raise £20.23 by doing a sponsored activity of their choice.
- We encourage the children to be creative to raise the money (sponsored silence, toy sale, helping with chores, etc) and to ask family and friends to sponsor them.
- We are delighted to accept any amount of sponsorship raised - it's all in good fun for a great cause, and we don't want anyone to feel stressed.

**PLEASE RETURN FORMS/FUNDS
TO CLASS TEACHERS BY THURSDAY, 23/2/23!**



DO YOU HAVE ANY BOOKS YOU NO LONGER NEED?

We know how much many of our Emmanuel children love reading . . . and it's always great to have some fresh material. With World Book Day fast approaching, we thought we'd host a second-hand book sale in early March. The date will be announced soon. In the meantime, please bring books you have to pass along!

Starting next Monday, please leave good condition books for young readers (birth to adolescent) in the box at the entry of the Alpha Building.

Mental Health Support Team (MHST) Webinar Series for Parents/Carers of Primary School Children and Secondary School aged Young People

The MHST are pleased to offer parents/carers a series of workshops to support their children's well-being. There are 11 topics in total with workshops being offered from this point until the end of Spring term.

Each workshop will last up to 60 minutes and have an optional follow-up of 30 minutes for parents/carers to ask questions or discuss the topic further. Parents and carers can register for any of the above webinars through Eventbrite for free at:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/mhst-parent-and-carer-webinar-series-2022-2023-tickets-415252660887>

Or please scan the QR code using your mobile phone's camera:



The scheduled topics for the rest of this term and Spring term are as follows:

Webinar topic	Intended Parent Audience	Date	Time
Sleep	Primary & Secondary	Friday 3rd February	12pm – 13.00 Q and A: 13.00 to 13.30
Screen-time	Primary & Secondary	Friday 10th February	12pm – 13.00 Q and A: 13.00 to 13.30
Understanding adolescent development	Secondary	Friday 24th February	12pm – 13.00 Q and A: 13.00-13.30
Having therapeutic conversations with your child	Primary & Secondary	Friday 3rd March	12pm – 13.00 Q and A: 13.00-13.30
Supporting childhood worries	Primary & Secondary	Friday 10th March	12pm – 13.00 Q and A: 13.00-13.30
Anxiety in Adolescence	Secondary	Friday 17th March	12.00 to 13:00 Q and A 13:00 to 13.30

If you have any questions or suggestions, please get in touch with Lorraine Watkins, the school ELSA at wellbeing@emmanuel.camden.sch.uk or direct with the Camden MHST team - Tajwar Hussain, Senior School Practitioner/Parenting Support: Thussain2@tavi-port.nhs.uk

February Half-Term



We are now taking bookings for our February Half-Term Holiday Playscheme.

Book your spot today, scan the QR code on the right!



www.paceforall.com/forms

Half-price music lessons



Don't you wish you played a musical instrument? Give your child the gift of music.

Families which qualify for Free School Meals, Housing Benefit or Council Tax Support can have half-price music lessons for their children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 here in school. Prices start from £58.20 for ten lessons. *(Subsidies funded by Camden Council and Universal Music Group).* Full price lessons start from £116.40 for ten lessons.

Apply here <https://www.camden.gov.uk/instrument-and-voice-lessons-in-schools>.






Volunteers Needed!

Do you have parenting or childcare experience?

Do you want to make a difference and support a family in need?

If you could give as little as a 2-4 hours a week to support a parent and their children, then please get in touch

-  **Make a difference to the lives of parents and children**
-  **Enhance your well-being**
-  **Receive free, high quality training**

Home-Start Camden and Islington (HSC&I) is a registered charity that offers free, confidential support and practical help to families with children under five in the London Boroughs of Camden and Islington who are struggling.

Become a Friend of Home-Start Camden and Islington!

We are also looking for volunteers who are passionate about supporting struggling families, who are able to give a minimum of 4 days a year to helping us organise our events, promote our activities and grow beyond our current limits.

For more details:

Telephone: 020 7099 6041

WhatsApp: 07940 338754

Email: info@homestartcamden.org

