

FROM ALPHA TO OMEGA



‘Life in all its fullness’

(JOHN 10:10)

Dear parents and carers,

I am delighted that over the last week we have been able to host our traditional Christmas events that have brought our school community together to mark the festive season. It was wonderful to see so many of you at the Christmas Fair last Saturday and my thanks go to the PFE Committee for organising such a successful event, which rose a brilliant £4,769 for the school!

Well done to all the children in Nursery and Reception Classes for their nativity performance this week; their singing was fabulous! We look forward to the KS1 nativity on Tuesday at 2.30pm; the back gate will open for Y1 and Y2 parents and carers at 2.20pm.

Christingle – Monday 12th December at 3.45pm in Emmanuel Church

We are also looking forward to our Christingle service on Monday. All children from Nursery to Year 6 will take part in the service and they will be walked over to church by their teachers. The door will open for parents and carers at 3.40pm. On the day, please ensure:

- Your child’s hair is tied up if it is beyond shoulder-length (boys and girls)
- Your child is wearing their school jumper or cardigan
- If your child takes a packed lunch to school, that it is brought in a disposable bag on the day. Children will only take their coat to church, not their school bag and packed lunch box.
- If you are not attending the service, please ensure your child is collected promptly at 4.30pm.
- If your child has permission to walk home alone, please ensure you have informed the office this is also the case for Monday 12th.

Cost of living

The cost of living crisis will be affecting many of our families and if you’re struggling to afford the essentials, help is available. Camden have produced [this helpful leaflet](#), which details all the support that is available. With that in mind, please know there is no need for you to buy any gifts for members of staff at Christmas. A card and a few kind words is more than sufficient!

Lunch arrangements

If your child would like to change their lunch arrangements- moving to or from packed lunch- for next term, please inform the office.

Strep A

You will have seen in the news reports of Strep A causing a number of child deaths. Whilst the likelihood of a child developing a very serious condition remains very low, we are encouraged by the UK government to remain vigilant. Scarlet fever is caused by bacteria called Group A streptococci (Strep A). The bacteria usually cause a mild infection that can be easily treated with antibiotics. In very rare occasions, the bacteria can get into the bloodstream and cause an illness called invasive Group A strep (iGAS).

What are the symptoms of scarlet fever and Strep A?

Strep A infections can cause a range of symptoms that parents should be aware of, including:

- Sore throat
- Headache
- Fever
- A fine, pinkish or red body rash with a sandpapery feel
- On darker skin the rash can be more difficult to detect visually but will have a sandpapery feel

If your child becomes unwell with these symptoms, please contact your GP or contact NHS 111 (which operates a 24/7 service) to seek advice. If your child has scarlet fever, they should stay at home until at least 24 hours after the start of antibiotic treatment to avoid spreading the infection to others. Please also inform the school. If your child seems seriously unwell call 999 or go to A&E if:

- Your child is having difficulty breathing – you may notice grunting noises or their tummy sucking under their ribs
- There are pauses when a child breathes
- Your child's skin, tongue or lips are blue
- Your child is floppy and will not wake up or stay awake.

Child Bishop

On Sunday at Emmanuel Church's St Nicholas Service, Luken in Y5 was enthroned as the new Child Bishop, succeeding Kisa who had been a wonderful Child Bishop for the past year. The practice of Child Bishops is a medieval tradition from Northern Europe, and reminds us all of the topsy turvy nature of God's Kingdom, and how we are all called to retain and treasure our childlike qualities so that we can see the world through God's eyes. The Child Bishop promises to pray for all the people in Emmanuel Church and will take part in various services through the year. Congratulations, Luken!



Term dates for 2023-2024

The term dates for next academic year were approved by governors this week and can be found on our website [here](#).

Friday 16th December collection times

Next Friday, children will have their lunch in school before they leave and collection times will be as follows:

Nursery 12.05pm

Reception 12.15pm

Years 1-6- 12.30pm

Attendance

Our school target for attendance is 96%. This week, well done to Year 1

Class	Attendance
Nursery	92.3%
Reception	98.5%
Year 1	98.6%
Year 2	97%
Year 3	95.2%
Year 4	89.3%
Year 5	97.2%
Year 6	89.3%
School	94.8%

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)

Idris and Aksel from Nursery
 Tessa and Misha from Reception
 Zuzana and Ameerah in Year 1
 Joshua and Chelsea in Year 2
 Eric and Liam D in Year 3
 Ethan and Maggie in Year 4
 Campbell and Lara in Year 5
 Tristan and Sophia C in Year 6



Diary Dates

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
12	13	14	15	16
No clubs this week (apart from Breakfast Club)	No clubs this week (apart from Breakfast Club)	No clubs this week (apart from Breakfast Club)	No clubs this week (apart from Breakfast Club)	No clubs this week (apart from Breakfast Club)
3.45 Christingle Service in Emmanuel Church	2.30pm Key Stage 1 Nativity			Last Day of Term
2	3	4	5	6
Christmas Holidays	INSET day – school closed to pupils	Pupils return to school		

EYFS Nativity



Christmas Jumper Day

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Christmas Jumper Day!



Christmas Panto



Santa IS COMING TO WEST HAMPSTEAD

Featuring:
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The Touring Pourers
West End Lane Books
The Flower Gallery

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HO, HO, HO!

JOHNS&CO have invited Santa to West Hampstead.

Head down to West Hampstead Square, NW6 2BR and meet him on Saturday 10th December, between 11am-3pm.

Santa, and his elves will be here to listen to your Christmas wishes and give away a small gift.

JOHNS&CO will be joined by The Flower gallery, West End Lane Books and The Touring Pourers for refreshments and a little Christmas shopping. Plus, enter our raffle (free entry on the day) for the chance to win a Nintendo Switch! This event will be sure to get you into the Christmas Spirit.

Wishing you a merry Christmas,

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9 DECEMBER 2022

PFE HAPPENINGS



THE TOTAL IS IN: TOGETHER, WE RAISED
£4,769 *at the Christmas Fair*

A BIG THANK YOU, ALL!

EVEN MORE IMPORTANTLY, WE HAD A GREAT TIME!

It takes our entire community to make PFE events successful. Whether you volunteered, donated, attended, or purchased a raffle ticket . . . this is your success to celebrate. Your contributions help all our Emmanuel kids.

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Want to share your pictures from the fair? Please send to:
info@pfe.org.uk

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We're now taking bookings for
the Spring term!

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place, scan the
QR code or
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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
Parent Self Care	Primary & Secondary	Wednesday 11th January 2023	12.00-13.00 Q and A: 13.00 to 13.30
Parent-child interactions	Primary & Secondary	Wednesday 18th January 2023	12pm – 13.00 Q and A: 13.00 to 13.30
Sibling Rivalry	Primary	Wednesday 25th January 2023	12pm – 13.00 Q and A: 13.00 to 13.30
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



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