

FROM ALPHA TO OMEGA



**'Life in all its fullness'**

(JOHN 10:10)



Weekly newsletter  
Friday 26th April 2024

Dear parents and carers,

It's been a great week at Emmanuel, though the weather needs to get the memo that it's the Summer term and that we want some warmth now!

We had a brilliant launch assembly for the School Council's 'A k a Day in May' initiative, which aims to improve pupils' physical and mental wellbeing (please see page 4 for more information). Our PFE Co-Chair Jo Macdonald was very kind to lend us his time and come and talk to us about his amazing achievements, where he ran the marathon on Sunday in an incredible time of 4:00:22. We spoke about the Resilience he would have needed in his training, the Service he showed in choosing to raise his hard-earned money for our school, and the Joy he found in challenging himself and putting himself to the test. Jo even earned a Headteacher's Award for his achievements!

Another person who used the values of Resilience and Service when running the marathon was our previous Headteacher Claire Burns. She ran in 4 hours and 54 minutes and raised thousands of pounds for Krish's Brighter Future Fund, as part of Great Ormond Street Hospital Children's Charity. We are so proud of Claire and her incredible achievement, and I know that the Kent family are so very grateful for her dedication and friendship.



### **PFE Wine, Cheese and Art**

This event took place last night and was thoroughly enjoyed by all – even the technical challenges of all the frames bringing the suspension wires crashing down at 7.00pm couldn't dampen our spirits! We were there to raise money for our SEN provision on the first floor, to equip an outdoor space as a sensory escape for all children. I was moved when Miss McManus spoke passionately of our inclusive vision for our school, and the whole event was once again a reminder of the warm and welcoming community we have here at Emmanuel, and how much there is to be enjoyed about our time together outside of the

school day! A big thank you to our PFE trustees Jo, Lynsey and Jackie, and to Kit and Jess Fordham for donating some wonderful photographs to the event.

### **Year 2 Trip to the Mosque**

On Thursday Year 2 visited the London Central Mosque. They had a tour and learned about how Muslims use it as a place of worship.

### **Year 1 Trip to St Paul's Cathedral**

Year 1 had so much fun at St Paul's Cathedral on Wednesday. We climbed over one thousand steps to the top and saw the landscape of London. The children were so brave!!

### **Swimming Gala**

Well done to the children that participated in the Camden Swimming Gala today. The children did fantastically well and won several medals. They should all be very proud of themselves!

### **Camden Green Dragons' Den**

Last term, we shared an update from School Council about presenting a recycling project to the Camden 'Green Dragons' Den' to ask for financial help. We are delighted to confirm that the School Council achieved the maximum fund available which was £500! This is going to help us buy new recycling bins for across the two school sites to help us improve the amount we recycle. Well done to Oliver, Avani, Natalie, Ben K, Olivya and Izabel. More information to come soon.

### **Leaving Emmanuel?**

If you think your child will be or might be leaving Emmanuel at the end of the summer term, please do contact Mrs Lubert in the office as soon as possible. This helps us to offer places to families on our waiting lists. Thank you in advance.

The Emmanuel Team

### **Attendance**

Our school target for attendance is 96%.

Well done to Year 2 who achieved the highest attendance this week!

<b>Class</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
<b>Nursery</b>	92.8%
<b>Reception</b>	97.4%
<b>Year 1</b>	96.4%
<b>Year 2</b>	98.6%
<b>Year 3</b>	95%
<b>Year 4</b>	94.4%
<b>Year 5</b>	98.5%
<b>Year 6</b>	98.5%
<b>School</b>	96.6%



## Supporting our pupils' Mental Health and Wellbeing Your feedback needed!

In June of last year, we shared our aim to achieve the Wellbeing Award for Schools (WAS) accreditation and thank you to those who have supported Mrs Watkins in this process through surveys, focus groups and providing feedback on our new strategy for Mental Health and Wellbeing at Emmanuel. This document, and lots of MHW information and resources for our pupils and families, are available on the 'Pupil wellbeing' section of our website: <https://www.emmanuel.camden.sch.uk/page/?title=Pupil+Wellbeing&pid=53>

### We need your help again!

To complete the accreditation process, we would appreciate it if our parents and carers could complete the same survey (sent out last June at the start of this process) so that we can review our progress and what we could still do even better. You can follow this link or scan the QR code below. The survey closes on Friday 3 May. Thank you!

<https://app.awardplace.co.uk/stakeholder-evaluations/user-survey/661d09bd5fa86>



# A 'K' a day in May!

## School Council Fundraiser



Dear parents and carers

The School Council have organised this new fundraiser to raise money for Great Ormond Street Hospital (75%) and for new golden time games for each classroom (25%). We would like our pupils to ask family and friends to sponsor them to get active by completing at least one kilometer on every day in May. This can be running, walking, scooting, swimming or cycling. This can be jogging on the spot too.

### How far is 1 kilometer in terms of physical activity?

Don't worry if you haven't got a tracker, you can use these times as a guide to how far one kilometer is.

- 12 laps of the outside of the MUGA
- 6 minutes of running, scooting or cycling
- 13 minutes of walking
- 9 minutes of fast walking
- 40 lengths of Swiss Cottage swimming pool
- They can do this on the spot too if you can't go outside.



The children will try to do this in school when possible but we would really like them to record when they do this during after school clubs, walking to or from school, walking to PACE or activities over the weekend.

For children in Reception class: we are only expecting them to do 1km a day if they can, it's taking part that counts!



### Great Ormond Street Hospital

We are raising money for this world leading children's hospital based here in London, nominated by our Year 6 pupil Sebastian because of how GOSH has helped him with urgent care and support throughout his whole life. You can donate via his Family GOSH Giving page (see link below).

### Virtually racing across Europe – Years 1 to 6

The more kilometres the children do, the further their class can virtually race across Europe! Every Monday, the school Council will ask the children how many kilometres they have done the previous week. The School Council will be counting these up and see how far they have gone as a class. The more kilometres they do, the further their class will virtually race across Europe! The children can track how far they go on the School Council board near the Hall/toilets.

For children in Reception class – they will be travelling virtually with their kilometres to palaces around the UK as part of their Kings and Queens learning.

### How to collect the money?

After the challenge is completed, please hand in the sponsor money with the form to the Office by Friday 7th June.

Or funds can be donated (and with Gift Aid) direct to Sebastian's GOSH giving page at:

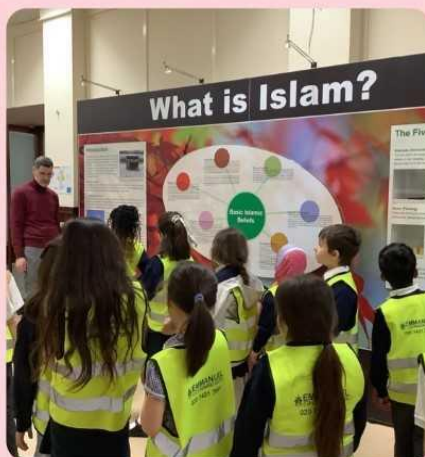
[www.justgiving.com/SebastianAShaw](http://www.justgiving.com/SebastianAShaw)



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**Thank you for your support!**

## Year 2 Trip to the London Central Mosque



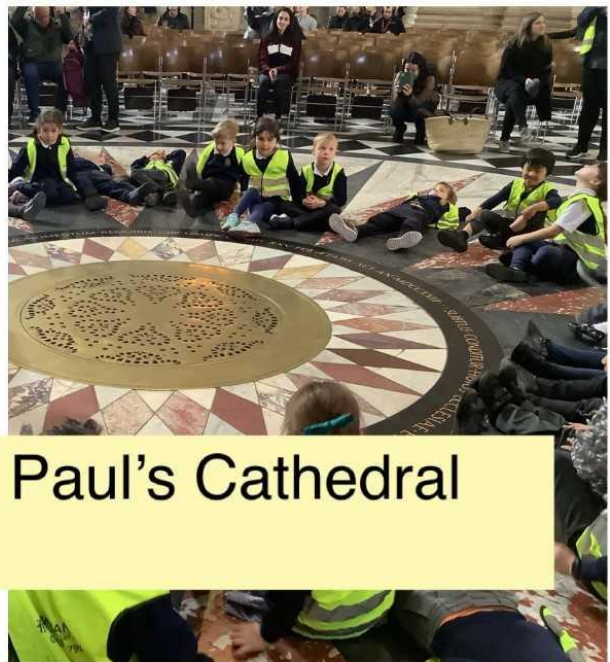
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## Swimming Gala



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Year 1 trip to St. Paul's Cathedral



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

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

**Key:**

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

Date	Event	Year group	Location
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> April	Reception Trip	Reception	St. James' Church
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	'A k a day' fundraiser starts	All	
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	May Day – school closed	All	
Wb 13 <sup>th</sup> May	SATs Week	Year 6	Classrooms
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 trip	Year 5	Waitrose
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 trip	Year 5	Gurdwara
Wb 27 <sup>th</sup> May	Half term	All	
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	INSET Day – school closed	All	
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 trip	Year 4	CLC
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> June 2pm	Year 6 Quiz	Year 6	School hall
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 trip	Year 5	CLC
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June 2pm	Year 5 Quiz	Year 5	School hall
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> June	PFE Summer Fayre – families invited		Omega playground
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Class photos	All	
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2pm	Year 4 Quiz	Year 4	School hall
Wb 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Diversity Week	All	
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Express Yourself dress down day	All	
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 trip	Year 6	CLC
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June 2 – 3pm	Emmanuel's Got Talent	All	School hall
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2pm	Year 3 Quiz	Year 3	School hall
Wb Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	International Week	All	
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July 10.30am	Brass Concert	Year 5 and 6	Hampstead Heath Bandstand
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July 2pm	Country Dancing	All	MUGA
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July 5pm	PFE International Evening – families invited		Omega playground
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July 2pm	Year 2 Quiz	Year 2	School hall
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July 2pm	Year 1 Quiz	Year 1	School hall
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2pm	Year 6 Production performance	Year 6	School hall
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 5pm	Year 6 Production performance	Year 6	School hall
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2pm	Reception Graduation	Reception	School hall
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	School disco	All	
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2pm	Leavers' Service and Prize-Giving	Reception to Year 6	Emmanuel Church
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of term (12.30 finish)	All	

\*Please note that some trips may be added over the course of the term

## School visionaries

Congratulations to these children for showing our school vision and values this week:

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Maria and Lexie in Nursery  
Teddy and Fiona in Reception  
Aurora and Oliver in Year 1  
Ameerah and Nina in Year 2  
Sadie and Zoe in Year 3  
Amelia and Tomiwa in Year 4  
Rio and Isla in Year 5  
Sabrina and Micah in Year 6

