

FROM ALPHA TO OMEGA



'Life in all its fullness'

(JOHN 10:10)



Weekly newsletter
Friday 11th July 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We've had another brilliant—and very warm—week here at Emmanuel! Year 4 have been making a splash every morning with their intensive swimming course (perfect timing in this heat!) and also enjoyed a fantastic trip to Hyde Park. Meanwhile, our talented KS1 choir headed off to Gospel Oak School for the Choir Festival, singing their hearts out with confidence and flair!

Year 1 wowed us all this week with their very own Big Quiz, dazzling their parents with knowledge about primary colours, the Wright Brothers, and proper nouns—what a clever bunch! Huge thanks to Ms Siraj, Mrs Parker, Ms Gurik, Miss Langston and Miss Adams for their energy, creativity, and care for our brilliant Year 1s.

Coming Up Next Week: *Annie Jr!* & Reception Graduation

Next week is looking just as exciting! Our Year 5 and 6 superstars are ready to hit the stage in their production of *Annie Jr*—a show full of music, talent, and lots of heart. They've been working incredibly hard, and we can't wait for you to see them shine! ☆

Both performances will be professionally filmed, so you can relax, enjoy the magic, and watch it all back later—no need to fumble with phones or cameras.

We're also gearing up to celebrate a big milestone: Reception Graduation! The performance will take place in the main hall (Omega building). Gates open at 2.25pm for a 2.30pm start. It's bound to be a beautiful, emotional moment—bring tissues!

End-of-Year Discos – Let's Party!

We're wrapping up the school year in style with our End-of-Year Discos on Friday 18th July—and everyone's invited!

Children can come in their favourite party clothes and get ready to boogie with our DJ and their partner class. It's the perfect way to celebrate the end of a fantastic year. Let's dance it out and make some final memories!

Caterlink Survey – We'd Love Your Feedback

Our school meals provider, Caterlink, wants to hear from you! If you've had concerns or suggestions about the quality, portion sizes, or menu, please take a few minutes to complete their survey and share your thoughts directly. Deadline: 31st July

[Click here to complete the survey](#)

Looking Ahead: 2025–2026 Dates

Term dates for the 2025–2026 academic year are available [here](#), along with our updated events calendar [here](#). You can also subscribe to the calendar to add key dates directly to your phone or digital diary.

Wishing you all a sunny and restful weekend,

The Emmanuel Team

[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
Wednesday 16 th July 2pm and 5pm	End of Year Production	Year 5 and 6	School hall
Thursday 17 th July 2.30pm	Reception Graduation	Reception	School hall
Friday 18 th July	Reports to parents	All	
Friday 18 th July 1 – 3pm	School discos	All	School hall
Monday 21 st July	Leavers' Service	Reception – Year 6	Church
Tuesday 22 nd July 12.30pm	Break up for Summer	All	

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



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Here is a list of important dates for the Autumn Term 2025:

Key:

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

Date	Event	Year group	Location
Monday 1 st September	INSET Day	All	
Tuesday 2 nd – Thursday 4 th September	Reception settling	Reception	Alpha building
Tuesday 2 nd – Wednesday 3 rd September	Nursery home visits	Nursery	Families' homes
Thursday 4 th September 10am – 11am	Nursery stay-and-play	Nursery	Alpha building
Friday 5 th September	Reception in full time	Reception	Alpha building
Wb Monday 8 th September	Nursery settling	Nursery	Alpha building
Monday 8 th September 3.30-4pm	Meet the Teacher	Year 4	Year 4 classroom
Tuesday 9 th September 3.30-4pm	Meet the Teacher	Year 6	Year 6 classroom
Tuesday 9 th September 3.30-4pm	Meet the Teacher	Year 5	Year 5 classroom
Wednesday 10 th September 3.30-4pm	Meet the Teacher	Year 3	Year 3 classroom
Thursday 11 th September 3.30-4pm	Meet the Teacher	Year 2	Year 2 classroom
Friday 12 th September 3.30-4pm	Meet the Teacher	Year 1	Year 1 classroom
Monday 15 th September	Nursery in for full hours	Nursery	Alpha building
Monday 15 th September 7.30pm	LSSO Concert	Some choir children	Barbican
Thursday 18 th September	Brass begins	Year 5 and 6	Hall
Thursday 18 th September 7-10pm	PFE AGM and Drinks	Adults only	Year 5 classroom then Black Lion
Wb Monday 22 nd September 10-11am	Swimming	Year 3	Swiss Cottage Leisure Centre
Friday 26 th September 9-9.30am	Open Classroom	Year 6	Year 6 classroom
Wb Monday 29 th September 10-11am	Swimming	Year 3	Swiss Cottage Leisure Centre
Monday 29 th September	Meet the Teacher	Reception	Alpha building
Tuesday 30 th September	Meet the Teacher	Nursery	Alpha building
Month of October	Black History Month	All	
Friday 3 rd October 9-9.30am	Open Classroom	Year 5	Year 5 classroom
Monday 6 th October	Trip	Year 1	National Portrait Gallery
Friday 10 th October 9-9.30am	Open Classroom	Year 2	Year 2 classroom
Wednesday 15 th – Friday 17 th October	PGL	Year 6	Marchant's Hill
Friday 17 th October 9-9.30am	Open Classroom	Year 4	Year 4 classroom
Thursday 23 rd October 7.30-10pm	PFE adults only event	Adults only	School hall
Friday 24 th October 9-9.30am	Open Classroom	Year 3	Year 3 classroom
Monday 27 th – Friday 31 st October	Half term	All	
Friday 7 th November 9-9.30am	Open Classroom	Year 1	Year 1 classroom
Wb Monday 10 th November	Bikeability	Year 5	MUGA
Tuesday 11 th November	Armistice Day Service	Year 4	Hampstead Cemetery
Wednesday 26 th November 3-6pm	Parent Consultations	All	School hall
Friday 28 th November	INSET Day	All	
Monday 1 st December	St. Andrew's Day celebration	St. Andrew's House	
Tuesday 2 nd December 2pm	Christmas Pantomime	All	School hall

Wednesday 3 rd December 3-6pm	Parent Consultations	All	School hall
Thursday 4 th December	Brass Concert	Year 5 and 6	School hall
Monday 8 th December 3.30-4.30	Christingle Service	Year 1 – Year 6	Emmanuel Church
Wednesday 10 th December	Trip	Year 4	National Portrait Gallery
Thursday 11 st December	EYFS Christmas Show	Nursery and Reception	School hall
Friday 12 th December	Christmas Jumper Day	All	
Friday 12 th December	Christmas lunch	All	
Wednesday 17 th December 10am & 2pm	Nativity	Year 1 and 2	School hall
Friday 19 th December 12.30pm	End of term	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)

Sandra and Matias in Nursery
Riyad and Sebastien in Reception
Diego and Clara in Year 1
James and Ishaan in Year 2
Gabriel and Thejan in Year 3
Dylan and Ben in Year 5
Henry and Maggie in Year 6



Nursery Show



KS1 Choir Festival



**AGE 6-11
YEARS**

**28TH JULY -
1ST AUGUST
&
11TH - 15TH
AUGUST**

SUMMER CAMP

MONDAY - FRIDAY

8:30 - 15:30

ACTIVITIES

**SPORTS & ARTS AND
CRAFTS**

HOW TO BOOK



**SNACKS PROVIDED.
BRING A PACKED
LUNCH**





HOLIDAY SHORT COURSES



SWISS COTTAGE LEISURE CENTRE
SUMMER CRASH COURSE
MONDAY 28TH JULY – FRIDAY 1ST AUGUST
MONDAY 11TH AUGUST – FRIDAY 15TH AUGUST

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.

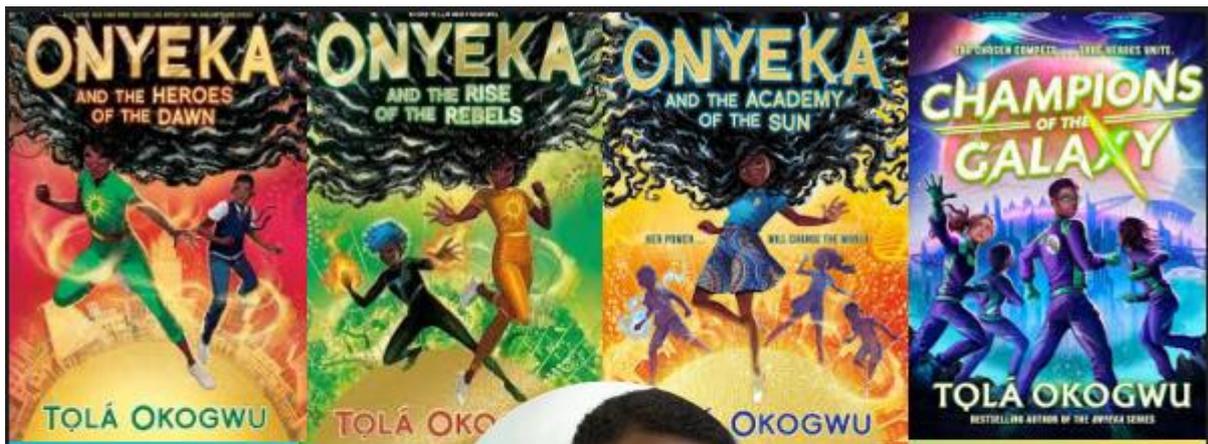
For more information email Kylie.bland@gll.org

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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ECR7
EVERY CHILD READING BY 7

presents



**Tolá
Okogwu**

at the September

Book Fair

WHEN?

8th September 25
4.30pm – 5.30pm

COST?

FREE

WHERE?

Vision Hall, Bidborough
Street, WCH 9AU

Celebrate your Summer Reading Challenge at the
EVERY CHILD A READER BY 7 Book Fair.

Meet Tolá Okogwu, an award-winning and bestselling author. Tolá's debut novel, *Onyeka and the Academy of the Sun* was shortlisted for numerous awards whilst her 2024 World Book Day title, *Onyeka and the Secret Superhero*, was a UK top ten Bestseller. Tolá's originally self-published picture book series, *Daddy Do My Hair* is a firm family favourite and she also writes under the pen name, *Lola Morayo*.

All Camden pupils and their parents are welcome to
attend this celebration of reading.



JOIN MILL LANE GARDEN CENTRE'S

SUMMER SOCIAL

Its that time of the year when we come together to celebrate the local community and to say thank you for supporting our work.

When: Friday 18th July 2025
5:30pm - 6:30pm

Where: Mill Lane Garden Centre, 160 Mill Lane, NW6 1TF



UNITY WORKS

Opportunity to try out for FREE Tennis Coaching
at Cumberland Lawn Tennis Club

You may already have heard about (through your school or children in our current coaching system) that our Eleanor Caplin Charity runs free weekly group tennis coaching for local state school children. In previous years we have recruited new squad members through a Summer Camp held every July to select and offer a limited number of children the opportunity to learn tennis for free for a minimum of 1 year.

This year we have limited available places for September so are doing things differently.

We are planning an **'Open Day'** at our **Hampstead Cricket Club site (Lymington Road, NW6) on Sunday 7th September from 4.00-6.00pm for any children currently in years 1, 2 & 3** who would really like to take advantage of this great opportunity to have a taster session with our professional tennis coaches. We have a limited number of beginner level places available in our weekly squads, and will again select from those who come to the Open Day. The qualities we will be looking for are enthusiasm, listening skills, and the ability to follow instruction.

Current squad parents have kindly offered to help circulate this invitation through their class communication system. If your child is currently in years 1, 2 or 3 and would like to attend the Open Day, please register your interest as soon as possible by emailing me (the Organiser) at petachurchman@aol.com

At this stage, places will be on a first come, first served basis – and all I need in your email is the child(ren)'s name, School, Year and parent contact number too.

I will then send you an official registration form to complete and return to me, which will also provide you with fuller details.

Following the Open Day, if your child is selected by the coaches for a place in our squad sessions which will start the following Sunday 14th September, I will let you know very promptly.

I am here to answer any questions you may have – and hope very much this unique opportunity is of interest.

Regards

Peta Churchman (on behalf of the Trustees of the EC Charity)