



Weekly newsletter Friday 3rd December 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Following the government announcement of the Omicron variant of Covid-19, the Department for Education has issued advice to schools, which now means that members of staff wear face coverings in communal areas of the school unless exempt. This is the only material change that primary schools have had to make because of the new variant. The guidance also says that face coverings do not need to be worn when outdoors but parents and carers may wish to wear a face covering if it is crowded at drop-off and collection time.

Public Health has advised schools that Christmas events can go ahead unless they have particularly high levels of Covid-19. As this is not the case for our school, our Christmas events will go ahead as planned, with the protective measures in place that were described in last week's letter to parents and carers.

If the guidance changes, or if we have a number of Covid-19 cases, then this may change, but I will of course keep you informed. However, I think there is much to be gained for the children, parents and staff by holding our Christmas events where possible, but please only attend if you feel comfortable to do so.

If you think you might be able to help with the filming of the Reception and Year 2 nativities on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon next week, please do email the school office; any expertise would be much appreciated!

Krish's anniversary

Next Thursday is the first anniversary of the death of Krish, who was a much-loved member of our Reception class last year. We will quietly mark the day in school with a prayer in church, where we will also light a candle to remember Krish. Each class will also read 'The Paper Dolls', which was Krish's favourite book, and Year 1 will have the opportunity to share their memories of Krish and draw pictures if they would like to.

I am aware that Krish's anniversary may mean that your child/ren may ask some questions about death and loss and last year, the Camden Education Psychology service recommended that adults:

- Give children simple, factual information and avoid abstract ways of explaining death e.g. gone to sleep, passed away.
- Gently remind children that the person will not come back.
- Reassure children that death is not their fault.
- Encourage children to ask questions and try to answer them honestly and simply. Be honest if there is no answer or you do not know the answer.

Our thoughts are very much with Krish's family: Rakhi, Rajiv and Ishaan and I am sure you will join me in sending them our love and sympathy at this time.

Change of time to brass concert

There is a slight change of time to the Year 5 and Year 6 brass concert next Thursday. It will begin at 2.15pm (instead of 2.30pm) and parents and carers should arrive at Emmanuel Church between 2.05pm and 2.15pm.

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Christmas Jumper Day

Next Friday is 'Christmas Jumper Day' in school and we are inviting all pupils to take part by wearing a festive jumper to school and make a voluntary £1 donation, or whatever you can give, to the charity 'Save the Children'. If you would like to find out more about Save the Children's 'Christmas Jumper Day', please visit www.savethechildren.org.uk/christmas-jumper-day

Clubs

Just a reminder that clubs have finished for the term, except for Breakfast Club and one final session of Musical Theatre for both KS1 and KS2.

Wishing you and your family a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you for tomorrow's Christmas Fair!

Miss Burns and the Emmanuel team

From Fr Jonathan, Vicar of Emmanuel Church

We are all much looking forward to all the fun of the School Christmas Fair on Saturday. We also have a full and fun weekend over at the Church in this wonderful Advent season when we prepare for the coming of Christ at Christmas. On Sunday morning at 10.30 we have our monthly All Age Eucharist when the children will be doing the readings, leading the prayers serving at the altar and singing in the Children's Choir and there will be a special talk for them. We would love it if you and your child could join us and it would be wonderful if your child would like to sing in our Children's Choir. All they have to do is to come at 10 am for the brief rehearsal and we will be singing the beautiful and evocative "Light a candle flame" song.

Then at 3 pm we will be having a special Children's St Nicholas' Day workshop until 4.30 pm when we will be reflection on St Nicholas and the special links that he has with children, sailors and Christmas and we will be enthroning our own child Bishop from among the children who come. If you place to come, please could you email Mother Helen on motherhelen.nw6@gmail.com just so that we know numbers. Thank you.

Details of this, our Christmas services and much more, please see our weekly newsletter on: <https://mailchi.mp/477a8b792b8e/this-coming-second-sunday-of-advent-and-weekend-at-emmanuel-church?e=d21046e17a>

Much looking forward to seeing you at the Christmas Fair and in our Sunday activities at church. Please be sure of a very warm welcome.

Diary Dates

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | |
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| 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| Year 5 Museum of London virtual visit (in school) | Wear PE to school – Years 1 -6 <hr/> 2pm Reception class nativity | 2pm Year 2 Nativity | 2.15 Year 5 and 6 brass performance in church – Parents arrive from 2:05pm | Christmas Jumper Day | | |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 2:45 pm – Carols in the playground – Nursery, Year 1, Year 3, Year 5 | Year 5 and 6 football league <hr/> Wear PE to school – Years 1 -6 | Carols after school with parents 2:45 for Reception, Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6 <hr/> Christmas Lunch <hr/> In School Panto | | School finishes at 12:30 | | |

Aspire Award Winners

Congratulations to the following children in each class, who have worked really hard this week to show our school's Christian and learning values.

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| 1Z | Christian | Respect | Edward | Thank you for always being so kind and respectful to everyone around you. You are an excellent role model Eddie! |
| | Learning | Resilience | Yusei | Well done for being resilient in your learning and for working hard to answer challenging questions! |
| 2W | Christian | Service | Amelia | For always being so helpful and kind to everyone in class. Amelia you are always thinking of others and are a great role model. |
| | Learning | Engagement | Ezekiel | For his hard work learning his Nativity lines and his enthusiasm with the songs and routines during our rehearsals, well done! |
| 3C | Christian | Empathy | Lauren | For always looking out for her friends and the people around her and reflecting on different situations. Thank you Lauren! |
| | Learning | Partnership | Anthony | For being a great learning partner and helping others in their learning as well as completing his own. Well done Anthony! |
| 4R | Christian | Affection | Kai | For working really well with everyone in class this week and being so kind and encouraging to all his peers. Well done Kai! |
| | Learning | Partnership | Natalie | Well done for always being ready to learn and working hard during all our lessons. You are an asset as a learning partner - thank you Natalie! |
| 5G | Christan | Affection | Ummul | For being such a kind and thoughtful presence in the classroom every day. Thank you and well done! |
| | Learning | Ambition | Eashan | For his outstanding attitude to learning, both inside the classroom and with his homework. What an excellent role model you are! Well done! |
| 6W | Christian | Service | Felix | For always being such a kind and helpful student around the classroom and school. |
| | Learning | Engagement | Jess | For her fantastic effort in swimming this week and really impressing her teachers! |



3 DECEMBER 2021



PFE HAPPENINGS

ONE MORE SLEEP UNTIL

Emmanuel School's PFE
proudly presents the 2021

Christmas
Fair



DO YOU
HAVE YOUR
TICKETS
YET?

THERE'S STILL TIME TO JOIN US TOMORROW
FROM 2-4 PM IN THE MUGA. BOOK TICKETS ON
CLASSLIST TONIGHT OR BUY AT THE GATE.

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EMMANUEL CE PRIMARY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FAIR 2021

COVID-19 NOTICE

- Public Health England has announced that all Government advice to date still stands and has reiterated that outdoor events can still take place.
- It is recommended that adults and children over 11 years old wear a face covering in crowded areas.
- All Volunteers will be required to wear a face covering and gloves (which will be provided by the PFE).
- Hand sanitizer will be readily available at all stalls and activities.
- The Secret Gift Room has been changed to follow the latest COVID guidelines and is now going to be an outside Gift Stall instead.
- The Santa's Grotto will be kept well ventilated by leaving doors open at all times.
- This event is limited to the school community only.
- Anyone with symptoms of Covid (a high temperature, a new continuous cough, or a change in or loss of sense of smell or taste) or anyone who is self-isolating should not attend the event.



Please come and visit our **Emmanuel School Gift Stall** at the West Hampstead **Christmas Market** this **Saturday 4th Dec** (outside M&S) from **11am – 3pm**. Our volunteers will be selling gifts to raise money for our PFE school charity!



**YOU ARE
Invited!**

You're invited to the **JOHNS&CO
Christmas Market!**

Featuring food, drinks, Christmas Choir, Santa and a chance to win some amazing JOHNS&CO raffle prizes!

When: Saturday 4th December, 11am-3pm
Location: West Hampstead Square, London, NW6 2BR
(Outside M&S supermarket)

Featured local businesses:

JOHNS&CO  **West End Lane Books** 

Flower Gallery **Oddbins** **CHURCH CHOIR**  **HEADS+TAIL** 

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Dear parent/carer,

Mental Health Support Team (MHST) Webinar Series for Parents/Carers of Primary School aged 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 8 topics in total with workshops being offered from this point until the end of Spring term.

Webinars that are for both Parents/Carers of Primary and Secondary aged children and young people

- Why Early Intervention Matters: Introducing the MHST
- All about sleep
- Therapeutic conversations with your child and young person
- Screen Time

Webinars for Parents/Carers of Primary aged children

- Parent-child interactions
- Managing child worries

Webinars for Parents/Carers of Secondary aged Young People

- Supporting your Anxious Young Person
- Understanding Adolescent Development

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-2021-2022-tickets-184684756077>

Parents and carers can opt in for all topics, or whichever most appeals to them. The webinar series will run from Friday 12th November

The scheduled topics, dates and times are:

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| Managing child worries | Primary | Friday 26 th November 2021 | 12.00 to 13:00 Q and A 13:00 to 13.30 |
| Supporting your Young Person with Anxiety | Secondary | Friday 3 rd December 2021 | 12.00 to 13:00 Q and A 13:00 to 13.30 |
| Understanding Adolescent Development | Secondary | Friday 10 th December 2021 | 12.00 to 13:00 Q and A 13:00 to 13.30 |
| Parent-child interactions | Primary | Thursday 20 th January 2022 | 12.00 to 13:00 Q and A 13:00 to 13.30 |
| Managing child worries | Primary | Thursday 27 th January 2022 | 12.00 to 13:00 Q and A 13:00 to 13.30 |
| Supporting your Young Person with Anxiety | Secondary | Thursday 3 rd February 2022 | 12.00 to 13:00 Q and A 13:00 to 13.30 |
| Understanding Adolescent Development | Secondary | Thursday 10 th February 2022 | 12.00 to 13:00 Q and A 13:00 to 13.30 |
| Therapeutic conversations with your Child and Young Person. | Primary & Secondary | Thursday 24 th February 2022 | 12.00 to 13:00 Q and A 13:00 to 13.30 |
| Screen Time | Primary & Secondary | Thursday 3 rd March 2022 | 12.00 to 13:00 Q and A 13:00 to 13.30 |
| All about sleep | Primary & Secondary | Thursday 10 th March 2022 | 12.00 to 13:00 Q and A 13:00 to 13.30 |

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- Instrumental lessons
- Bands, orchestras and choirs
- Beginner cello group
- Music technology
- Adult choir



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Students playing instruments in Years 5 & 6 are also eligible to join CamBand. CamBand is a borough-wide ensemble aimed at beginning instrumentalists who can play 5 or more notes. Sign up here for Spring term 2022 <https://www.camden.gov.uk/saturday-music-centres>

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