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20 Free Places by 2020



Ensuring that talented pupils from all backgrounds have access to an Emanuel education is intrinsic to the school's vision and ethos.

Since its launch in April 2016, the Fully Funded Places Campaign has made very encouraging progress towards our target of funding 20 free places at Emanuel in line with Lady Dacre's founding bequest. The Campaign was boosted by our first ever telethon last summer which raised over £110,000 in gifts to come in over the next four years. As well as raising valuable funds, the telephone campaign gave us the opportunity to connect with parents, OEs and friends of the school.

We are delighted to announce that along with the generosity and support of the school community we have been able to fund 16 free places so far. We would like to thank the many alumni, current and past parents and the wider school community who have already contributed towards the Fully Funded Places Campaign, and would encourage as many others as possible to consider joining them in making a donation in order to enable the fund to continue to grow and thrive. This year, our percentage of bursaries offered to prospective pupils is higher than in previous years.

We now need to maintain this momentum in order to continue to provide bursaries to pupils, regardless of their circumstances. Our drive is to achieve our target of 20 free places by 2020.

If you would like to make a donation, please [click here](#) to make either a regular or one-off donation. If you have any questions or feedback regarding fundraising, please contact the [Development Office](#).

An Evening with Gordon Corera, BBC Security Correspondent



Date: Monday 26 February, 2018 at 6pm

Venue: Fiennes Theatre, Emanuel School

Join BBC Security Correspondent and acclaimed author Gordon Corera for a talk in the Fiennes Theatre at 6pm followed by a Q and A session.

Gordon has been BBC Security Correspondent since 2004. He is an expert on cyber security, intelligence issues and the use that terrorists make of computing. Gordon has reported from across the globe covering major developments such as Guantanamo Bay, the

September 11 attacks and the Madrid and London bombings as well as presenting the BBC Radio 4 documentary series 'MI6: A Century in the Shadows' in which he investigated Britain's Secret Intelligence Service.

This event is free of charge but please click on the button below to book your place.

[Book Now](#)

OE Focus - Phil Cox



The first OE to feature in our new video interview series, OE Focus, is international journalist and documentary producer Phil Cox.

Phil visited Emanuel at the end of last year and was interviewed by Emanuel students in the media studio. He revealed many tricks of the trade, including how to use tools such as animation, sound, and creative editing to capture and move an audience.

In his interview Phil shared his memories of being a pupil at Emanuel, recalling legendary teachers such as Mr Charles Cuddon, and his own subsequent journey into film-making and journalism after studying Literature at Edinburgh University. He was incredibly impressed with the film studio and encouraged students to take full advantage of all the exciting creative opportunities available to them during their time at Emanuel.

[Click here](#) to watch the OE Focus interview with Phil Cox featured on our [Facebook page](#).

City and Finance Evening

Date: Thursday 3 May, 2018

Venue: Ernst and Young offices, 1 More London Riverside, London SE1 2AF

This is the first in our new series of careers events. We are keen to develop ways in which Emanuel can prepare pupils for a changing and largely uncertain working world when they leave the school and have received some very generous offers of support from parents and alumni.



Currently, we run a thriving careers department which holds an annual careers fair, oversees the work experience programme and organises internship opportunities exclusive to Emanuel students. Our new series of careers and networking events aim to offer an opportunity for parents, pupils and alumni to exchange understanding and ideas. Our hope is that they will be held in locations that may be of significant interest to our pupils and parents.

This event is free of charge but please click on the button below to book your place.

[Book Now](#)

Careers

The annual sixth form Careers Convention will take place on Wednesday 28 January in the Hampden Hall. This year, there will be a talk beforehand by Bimlendra Jha, CEO of Tata Steel UK.

Next year, we hope to host an entrepreneurship day for the sixth form and will be seeking 20 industry champions from our wider community to support the event.

Emanuel News Bulletin



Junior and senior media club have collaborated with the Emanuel Newsletter to create the Emanuel News Bulletin which will be released once a half term. The first bulletin was released last November and includes students' reports about the Showstoppers' Concert and the Model United Nations. [Click here](#) to view the first episode of Emanuel News. It's a great insight into school life.

The latest episode has just been released, featuring many debut newsreaders from Year Eight. [Click here](#) to see excerpts from the Sixth Form Revue, House Music Competition, Twelfth Night, the Christmas Fair and more.

Students Samuel and Oliver hosted the first show. Sam said: "Senior Media Club is the highlight of my week so when I was told about the opportunity to write and present the bulletin with Oliver, I was delighted. The club also includes filming skits using the green screens, editing and using high tech camera equipment." The Headmaster, Robert Milne, said: "I am delighted with the quality of the news production. The presentation and technical quality is

hugely impressive and it's heartening to know that daily life will be chronicled in this way from now on."

Joyce gets engaged!



We are delighted to announce that our much-loved manager of the Sixth Form Café got engaged to Peter, her sweetheart of the last three years, on Christmas Day.

The happy couple met at Emanuel, where Peter often visits as a contract engineer, and love blossomed. It will take Peter and Joyce a while to fix a date, but their dream is to have the wedding in the School Chapel with the recently retired Senior Chaplin, Paul Hunt, returning to lead the service.

Many OEs remember Joyce fondly and it's testament to her popularity that the news of her engagement is our most liked Facebook post ever! Check out our Emanuel School Alumni [Facebook](#) page for a daily update on all things Emanuel, both old and new.

Peter Beresford OBE Visits Emanuel

We were delighted to welcome Professor Peter Beresford OBE (OE1956-63) back to Emanuel to talk to a combination of scholars, historians and politics students. Peter is an expert on disability rights, citizen participation and other areas of social policy.

As a pupil, Peter was part of what is regarded as the golden era of academia in the school where in 1963 over thirty boys won places to Oxford or Cambridge. Peter himself read History at University College, Oxford, but felt the single most important thing his Emanuel education gave him was the ability never to be afraid of asking questions. He recalled: "One of the best lessons I learned from the good teachers we had was the importance of the word, 'Why?' and to learn to question everything. This they encouraged us to believe was learning. How right they were. I owe them my enduring thanks."



Peter's fascinating talk covered the rights of the individual, social care, supporting disabilities and the extent to which we are responsible in helping others, asking the question: "Do we have a social conscience in Britain today?" Peter is now Professor of Citizen Participation at Essex University and Emeritus Professor of Social Policy at Brunel University, London. He also continues to write extensively for The Guardian and has authored many books, the most recent being "All Our Welfare: Towards Participatory Social Policy".

OE Rubs Shoulders With Royalty

Prince Harry and his fiancé Meghan Markle visited Repräsent Radio in Brixton recently and we were delighted to see them chatting with Francesca Ivaldi (OE2005-13, pictured on the far right shaking hands with Ms Markle) who works at the station and helped with the tour. According to media reports, the visitors were interested in hearing about the work the station does in supporting young people through creative training in radio and broadcasting.

Reprezent has been broadcasting across the capital since 2011 on 107.3 FM and is one of the few radio stations in the UK entirely presented by young people. Many of the DJs and presenters work in the music industry, run their own club nights and produce music. Away from music, the station campaigns on issues affecting young people ranging from domestic violence and unemployment to global current affairs, providing a relevant platform for young Britain to be heard.



Shame



The indie-rock guitar band, Shame, recently released their debut album *Songs of Praise*. It has received universal acclaim from all areas of the music press, being hailed as the first vital guitar album of 2018 by *The Guardian*, *The NME*, *Q*, *Mojo*, *Uncut* and *The Times*. After three years of constant touring this amazing five piece which features three OEs Josh Finerty (left) - OE2008-15, Charlie Steen (centre) - OE2008-13 and Eddie Green (right) - OE2007-13 - have risen from playing free shows in the back rooms of south London pubs to headlining some of the most iconic London venues. Their next big show is at the Camden Electric Ballroom on April 18. At the time of writing the album is in the top 40 and close to number one in many of the digital

download charts.

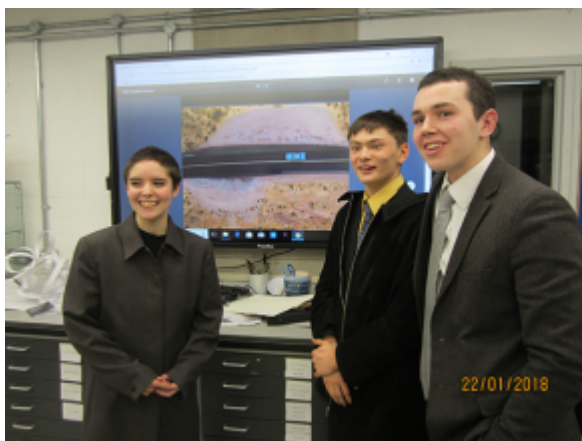
I was lucky to sneak onto the guest-list for their recent secret show at the Brixton Windmill, where the boys unveiled the album to family and friends. It was truly fantastic seeing young men I remembered as schoolboys putting on such an exhilarating, mature, and compelling show buzzing with energy. They might be superstars in waiting, but the boys still had time to chat with me about old times and asking after old teachers. It was clear they still have their feet on the ground and were excited about their big tour of America which was on the horizon. Both Josh and Eddie hope to see retired teachers Mr John Benn and Mr Chris Labinjo shaking a leg at their Camden show and Eddie even offered to put Mr Benn on the guest-list. Their shows are in now in such high demand that even their gigs listed under fake names sell out, with the Brixton show billed as 'Sesh of Praise'.

Tony Jones, Archivist

OE Performance Artist Visits Emanuel

Hattie Godfrey recently visited Emanuel to talk to our sixth form art students. Hattie left Emanuel in 2013 and went to Central St Martins for Art Foundation and from there to Goldsmiths, University of London, to study Fine Art where she is currently in her third year.

Hattie told students about how she moved from drawing, embroidery and installation with a feminist focus while she was at Emanuel to her current practice working mainly in performance art and the written word. She collaborates with other artists and can often be



found at the New Shoreditch Theatre where she is Head of Curation.

Her very informative talk gave our students insight into life at art school and beyond, which was particularly useful as we have 10 upper six students currently applying to art foundation courses for next academic year. Hattie's next venture is a solo show in a gallery in Chelsea, New York after having her work spotted last summer.

Irfan Latif Appointed Principal of DLD College

Irfan Latif (OE 1981-88) has been appointed Principal of DLD College London, located opposite the Houses of Parliament in Lambeth. Irfan was formerly Headmaster of acclaimed state boarding school Sexey's in Bruton for four and a half years. He has also been Vice-Chair of the Boarding Schools' Association, Chair of the State Boarding Forum and on the Board of Education at the Diocese of Bath & Wells. His previous leadership posts include Deputy Head at Bedford School, Director of Science at St Benedict's School, Senior Housemaster at Whitgift School and Assistant Housemaster and Teacher of Chemistry at The Haberdashers' Aske's School for Boys.



Irfan said: "I am thrilled to have been appointed the new Principal of DLD College London and I am very excited to join this prestigious school which has the students at the heart of its thinking. I admire that its roots are borne out of an academic commitment to the community and that student well-being is a central focus. By affording opportunities to develop, intellectually, spiritually, emotionally, physically and socially, DLD College London strives to educate the whole person in preparation for an ever changing and uncertain world. Its a privilege to be leading such an iconic college and being back in London."

Historical Walking Tour of Emanuel and its Grounds



School Archive will also be open for you to view.

Date: Saturday 2 June, 2018 at 11am

Venue: Emanuel School

As part of the Wandsworth Heritage Festival, the Emanuel School Archivist will take you on a 90-minute tour of the buildings, interiors and grounds which will whisk you back to the days when Emanuel was a boarding school and orphanage. The tour will also cover all the modern changes and new building projects. It is always nice to have a few OEs on the tour to laugh at jokes and throw in their own recollections or questions. The

There is no charge and no need to book if you would like to join the tour. Just meet in the Library in time for an 11am start – and remember to bring along any photos you can add to the School Archive. We are always interested in new photos to add to our collection and will happily scan and return them to you. Please contact [Tony Jones](#), our Archivist, if you have any questions.

Choral and Orchestral Concert



Date: 8 February, 2018 from 7pm-9pm

Venue: Hampden Hall, Emanuel School

Price: Discounted tickets are £7 for OEs

The Choral and Orchestral Concert this year includes The Poulenc and Rutter Gloria, Elgar's Cello Concerto and John Williams Hymn to the

Fallen. Ticket price includes canapés and drinks in the interval.

Please email oe@emanuel.org.uk if you would like to purchase tickets.

Sixth Form Revue

Last November, the sixth form took to the stage to raise money for our partnership schools in India, Sri Jayendra and Gita Krishnamurthy Vidyalaya. Amid the ensuing hilarity, the importance of this cause was not forgotten, and we are delighted to announce that we succeeded in raising an amazing £1,838 to help fund the education of poorer pupils as well as the purchase of books and school equipment and the building of new facilities.

The Revue featured some impressive musical talent performing songs from Wolf Alice, The Police, The Wombats and Ruth B and The Jam. Extracts from the Revue can be seen on the News Bulletin video [here](#).

The first rugby team were greatly missed at this year's Revue, especially by the many who had assembled to see the legendary rugby dance. However, they were not disappointed as the boys had recorded a video apologising for their absence. Both the netball team and the rowing team performed their dances with slick professionalism.

The revue also featured the premier of [Emanuel's Great British Fake Off](#), starring various teachers. The video has since been shared on the Emanuel Alumni Page, gaining over 2,000 views. It was created in the new film studio located in the new Dacre block and allowed students to gain expertise in directing, filming and editing.

Memories of Duke of Edinburgh

The Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme has been going strong at Emanuel since the 1990s.

In December, 82 pupils who had successfully completed their Duke of Edinburgh bronze award received their certificates at the DOE presentation evening along with 32 recipients of silver awards.

We asked **Andrew Keddle**, Head of Outdoor Pursuits at Emanuel, to give us his reflections on his many years of running expeditions: 'Between 1992 and 2017, I have taken 7,198 children on expeditions, a total of 164 nights camping or bivvying, with 5 visits to local



hospitals for various injuries, innumerable blisters and memories that will last forever – the very best memories of young people having wonderful experiences. I won't say how often it rained – they don't call me the "rain god" for nothing. The maximum temperature was 33 degrees centigrade in the New Forest in July 2015. The minimum was minus 8 degrees centigrade on Dartmoor in February 2000. Remember, there is no such thing as bad weather, only bad kit. A positive attitude and team spirit **will** get you through the toughest challenges.'

There have been a number of amusing moments during the expeditions – 'One silver group in 2007 stood out by being totally confused (not simply temporarily geographically challenged) as to their location in the New Forest, claiming that the large A road they were standing next to did not exist on their map. When I eventually found them, I strode up to them, took one look at the map, **turned it over** (the New Forest map is double sided) and left to the sound of one of the group commenting that it was 'pretty funny'.

One more memorable incident was a 'geographically challenged' bronze group whose reaction was to ring Capital FM and ask for a dedication for a Duke of Edinburgh group from Emanuel 'lost somewhere in the Surrey Hills due to crap navigation'. The DJ played "Where are we now?" by David Bowie and all the rugby staff and students heard it on their way to matches.'

Emanuel Investment Club

Congratulations to the Investment Club members for winning the weekly Emanuel cake. They have each contributed their own money to an investment pot and are competing in a national schools competition run by shares4schools. At the time of writing, they are in first place nationally, 13.5% up on their original investment.



Twelfth Night: Shakespeare Returns to Emanuel

In December, 37 pupils from years 10 to 13, skilled in a diverse range of talents, welcomed audiences into the world of Shakespearean comedy. For two hours, parents, friends and teachers were transported to an Illyria set in a post-war jazz era where characters fell in and out of love, played pranks on one another and philosophised on the human condition.

The audience willingly suspended their disbelief as the performers beautifully shared their passions and pains on the temporarily transformed traverse stage of the Fiennes Theatre. The acting was further enhanced by a jazz quartet whilst technical magic was spun by a small crew of brilliant student technicians, without whom the show would simply not have gone on.



OERFC Update



Congratulations to the Old Emanuel rugby team who at mid-season had beaten every other team in the league. They won 41-14 to New Milton and District in December. Ollie Wiffen, Benjamin Cooper, James Skinner, Jamie Clarke, Charlie Whiteley, Patrick Lufkin, Harry Whiteley, Louis Powell-Voegt and replacements Harry Bowden and George Holden are all OEs and James Dodds' father and Chris Green's brother all attended Emanuel.

Our congratulations are also due to Old Emanuel Rugby Vice President, Keith

Knowles who became an OBE on 8 December, 2017. Keith played prop for 1st XV at Old Emanuel for many years and has given generous sponsorship to the club for over 30 years.

Please note the following upcoming events:

14th Annual Old Emanuel GRM7s at Blagdons - 31 March 2018

The event runs from 10am (registration beforehand). There will be a bar and BBQ all day.

This is a qualifying tournament for RFU Twenty-Four 7s national competition. Last year we had three of the four semi-finalists in the Men's Open Competition. There is a Women's Competition which is also a qualifier.

The "Open" tournament is high quality elite players from around the country. The "social" is two tiered with good quality, mostly local clubs, but some specialist 7s teams, and the lower level is very social for players who wish to have a run around on the day. Any group of players may get together and enter a team. There is an entry fee to cover costs (including refs and physio), trophies and prizes.

Spectators are free, but there is usually a charge for parking.

Two years ago the OE Seventy-7s won this, the regional and then the National competition. They hope to do so again this year.

Alumni will be made very welcome if they make themselves known!

End of Season Awards Dinner on Saturday 21 April from 7.30pm - 1am

There will be a live DJ and dancing in a marquee. Players and members are all welcome – we intend to host almost 300 people. Tickets are priced at £35 for a 3 course dinner and half a bottle of wine. Please contact Simon Parley - 07540218708 or simonparley@gmail.com for tickets – but they're selling out fast!

It has been a tremendous couple of seasons and we have so much to celebrate.

1960s Decade Reunion



Date: Saturday 21 April, 2018

Venue: Emanuel School

If you left the school between 1960 and 1969, come and join us for a 1960s Decade Reunion at Emanuel School on Saturday 21 April. It would be wonderful to welcome you back to meet old friends and see what has changed since you were here.

Programme for the day:

11.00am - Coffee and welcome in the Library. Archive material will be available to view

11.45am - Short tour of the school

12.30pm - Year group photos and whole group photo

1.00pm - Lunch in the Refectory with wine

2.30pm - Tea and coffee

3.00pm – Finish

Tickets cost £25 per person and can be purchased through the [Old Emanuels website](#). Partners are very welcome to attend.

There will be archive photos from your era on display. If you have any photos or mementos you would like to share, please bring them with you or [email them in advance](#) to our Archivist, Tony Jones. Tony will be very happy to scan and return any photos and is always looking for additions to the archive.

Please note that if you left Emanuel early, your leaving year is the year you would have left had you stayed into the sixth form.

We look forward to seeing you on 21 April.

[Book Now](#)

Obituaries

We are sorry to announce the death of Colin Hall (OE1946-53), Paul Ponder (OE1958-66), Dennis Witcombe OBE (Staff 1955-64) and Dr Robert Anthony Wright (OE1955-60). Fuller

obituaries can be found [here](#).

Data Protection Laws are Changing

You may be aware that the Data Protection laws are changing in May this year. We are currently looking at our policies and procedures and will be in touch with more information very soon. In the meantime, if you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us on oe@emanuel.org.uk

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