

The Rose & Portcullis

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City and Finance Evening

emanuel school



Date: Thursday 3 May, 2018

Time: 6pm – 8pm

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

This is the first in our new series of careers and networking events which 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. The evening will include a short talk, plenty of time to network as well as a drinks reception.

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

Book Now

Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA)

Plans have been submitted to Wandsworth Council for an exciting renovation of the existing netball courts to the left of the main school building, which until recently were occupied by temporary classrooms and site units for the Dacre Construction.

The intention is to create a Multi-Use Games Area "MUGA" with a synthetic 'FieldTurf Hockey Gold' playing surface that will enable hockey training (short corners, skills practice and the like) as well as competitive netball matches and house/internal five-a-side football. The area will also be available for recreational play at break and lunchtime (though the bursar is already fretting about school shoes on the playing surface!).

Plans were submitted on 3 March and subject to any objections we are in an eightweek process which should allow renovation to commence in June with the facility, which



will be a crucial and welcome addition to our on-site sport offering, ready for the start of the autumn term.

If you would like to contribute to the Multi-Use Games Area project and other similar developments, please click on the link below to make a donation to the Annual Fund. If you would like to discuss your donation, please contact <u>development@emanuel.org.uk</u> or call Emily Symmons on 020 8875 6978.



Intermediate Maths Challenge

Congratulations to the sixteen pupils who recently achieved a gold award in the International Mathematics Challenge. We are delighted to announce that eleven students have qualified for the Kangaroo Round, placing them in the top 0.4% of their age group. Remarkably, five students have qualified for the Olympiad stage of the competition which places them in the top five hundred mathematicians nationally in their year group (top 0.07% nationally). To put these achievements into perspective, in the last nine years only one Emanuel pupil has ever sat the notoriously difficult Maclaurin Paper that these five students will soon tackle.



Channel 4's Kiss Me First



Tallulah Haddon (2009-2014) is set to star in the new Channel 4 drama, Kiss Me First, which blends the real and virtual worlds to create a gripping thriller. The six-part drama is adapted by Skins co-creator Bryan Elsley from Lottie Moggach's best-selling debut novel of the same name.

Kiss Me First tells the story of Leila, played by Tallulah, a lonely 17-year-old girl who is

addicted to the fictional online gaming site Agora. In the virtual world, Leila meets Tess, an outgoing confident party girl with a dark secret.

The series will combine live action with computer-generated virtual world sequences to simultaneously portray the parallel worlds of Leila and Tess' real life and their online alteregos.

Tallulah has previously starred in The Living and the Dead, Taboo and Spaceship.

Meet the OE



For this edition we took the opportunity to catch up with **Catriona Maclean (OE 2003-10)** who is currently Social Media Executive at luxury department store, Fortnum and Mason.

What are your memories of Emanuel?

I have extremely fond memories, bar House Cross Country... I was lucky enough to have two siblings at Emanuel at the same time and many of my best friends in adulthood are the ones I made at school, so I feel extremely fortunate to have spent my formative years there.

Did any particular teachers influence you?

Mr Hand and Mr Benn were undisputed favourites in my eyes!

What did you study at university?

Fashion & Textile Retailing (BSc) at The University of Manchester.

What has been your career path since leaving university?

As part of my degree I did a year in industry, where I worked as an intern at Ralph Lauren's London office and returned after graduating into a more senior role. I then moved into Beauty & Lifestyle PR to gain more of a full-circle understanding of how the fashion industry works in relation to media. Whilst enjoyable, I realised I was better suited to the retail side of the business and so I was thrilled to be offered a job at Fortnum & Mason in 2017.

What do you enjoy about working for Fortnum and Mason?

In short, everything! It's a wonderful company and a hugely supportive working environment, which is so important for me. The copious amount of tea and biscuits is also a bit of draw...

What do you do in your spare time to relax?

I love to run, swim and play tennis as often as possible.

Michael Stewart returns to Emanuel

It was a great pleasure to welcome Michael Stewart (OE1955-63) to Emanuel at the end of January. As well as being a pupil, Michael was also a teacher from 1968-1983, teaching Russian, French and German. He then went on to become Deputy Headmaster at Maidstone School for Boys and later Headmaster at Spalding Grammar School.

Michael will be attending the 1960s Reunion on 21 April.



OE Author Long-Listed for the Carnegie Medal



We were absolutely thrilled to read that Jason Wallace's (OE1980-83) second teen novel "Encounters" was long-listed for the Carnegie Medal book prize, the oldest and most prestigious children's book award in the world. The long-list featured twenty books, cut from about 100 entries.

Jason is no stranger to literary success, but it has been seven years since his debut novel "Out of Shadows" took the book world by storm, winning both the Costa Children's Book Award and the Branford Boase Award.

Both books have a major connecting factor: Zimbabwe. When Jason left Emanuel after Year Nine, his family settled in Zimbabwe where he attended a boarding school which became a partial inspiration for his "Out of Shadows" debut.

His new novel is inspired by a real incident from 1994 where a group of Zimbabwean children claim to have seen a UFO. Told from six different points of view, this is a very clever and challenging novel which Jason has obviously spent considerable time perfecting. This thought-provoking work avoids sensationalising the subject of UFOs and aliens and should get teenage readers thinking.

Fundraising and Development Aims

Thank you to everyone who has kindly supported our fundraising endeavours and ambitions so far. We will shortly be sending out our first ever donor impact report to all of our supporters, which will demonstrate the enormous impact your gifts have. Our aim is to reach our target of providing 20 free places by 2020.

We also hope that we will be able to extend our ambitions for bursaries beyond this campaign by increasing the level of funds in our dedicated Trust which stand at 3.2



million to such an extent that the annual interest may be able to support 20 pupils fully funded year to year. Our aims for bursaries therefore, are to develop a consistent programme of

sponsorship in which donors might sponsor a part or full amount of fees, whilst at same time developing the bursary fund.

Beyond the fee-assistance initiatives, our ambition is to support the school's capital projects. We have no endowment of fund to support these plans, but hope to be able to finance some of them through revenue over time, donations and loans. As the plans are prepared, we will aim to share them with you and seek your support in these capital projects.

We are also embarking on a process of site refurbishment, including improving the school entrance over Easter (we'll include a photo in our next e-news in May) and the multi-use games area (MUGA) already mentioned.

Please click below if you would like to make a donation to the Fully Funded Places Campaign or to the Annual Fund.

Donate Now

Send us Your News



We are busy putting together the next edition of The Rose and Portcullis magazine. Packed full of news, features and interviews, the magazine will be sent out in early July.

We would be really grateful if you would send us your news, stories and updates to include in the 'News of OEs' pages. They are a very popular section of the magazine where OEs share what they have been doing since leaving Emanuel or any highlights or proud moments. Please let us know about any family news, achievements, publications, awards or if you have got together with old

friends and classmates from Emanuel. Our readers are always very interested in what their contemporaries are up to!

Please email us your news at <u>oe@emanuel.org.uk</u>. We would really love to hear from you.

An Evening With Gordon Corera

On Monday 26th February, Gordon Corera, BBC Security Correspondent and author, came in to talk to a large number of students, parents and OEs about his role at the BBC. He spoke about his time as a Security Correspondent during the 9/11 bombings and the current threat of Islamic State. He described the recent emergence of terrorism in the UK, which he linked to the development of new technology and social media. Cyber attacks are becoming more and more prominent with large companies. For example, the NHS is a prime target.



Part of Corera's discussion focused on Operation Columba, a secret British operation during World War II which deployed 16,000 homing pigeons to gather intelligence from people living under Nazi occupation. Despite this rise in technologically driven intelligence in the 21st century, the fact that China is currently training 10,000 homing pigeons to prepare itself in the event of a cyber-attack demonstrates that non-conventional forms of espionage may still have their place in combating the threat from terrorism.

'An Evening with Gordon Corera' is the first in a new series of parent and OE talks. Details of future events in the series will be advertised in the OE e-newsletter.

Choral Evensong



Date: Sunday 25 March, 2018

Venue: St. Luke's Church, Thurleigh Road

Time: 5.30-6.30pm

The evensong will be sung by the Emanuel School Choir and include Bairstow's Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis, Psalm 69 and John Stainer's 'God so Loved the World'.

Entry is free, and all are welcome.

Rowing Success



Last week, 99 rowers from Y9 upwards competed in the two highlights of the winter Head-race season: the Schools' Head over the reverse Boat-race course and the National Junior Sculling Head at Eton Dorney. Despite intense competition, Emanuel produced some really good results, with the highlights being 2nd in Girls J16 coxed fours and 4th in Boys J16 1st eights at the Schools Head and a silver medal for the Girls J14 2nd Octuple at Dorney.

Congratulations to all the rowers for their professional and helpful approach towards what were two quite gruelling and intimidating races.

Summer Serenade

Date: Friday 25th May, 2018 Time: 7.00-9.00pm Venue: Hampden Hall, Emanuel School



if you would like tickets.

Please come and join us for an evening of music, canapés and refreshments. The audience are invited to sit around tables and enjoy a variety of ensembles and year 13 soloists performing classical and jazz music.

Tickets are £15 per person (£10 for children), \pounds 40 for a family of 4 or £100 per table (8 people).

Please email <u>development@emanuel.org.uk</u>

Emanuel News Bulletin

Episode 3 of The Emanuel News Bulletin is currently being edited in the Media suite. The bulletin is a fantastic round-up of school events and will bring the school alive again for many OEs.

Episode 3 features the recent Choral and Orchestral Concert as well as the Senior Music Scholars' Concert. There are also some impressive excerpts from the House Film Competition, an update on the hockey



season and a clip showing one of the ways in which the Film Studio is being used by the languages department to film weather reports using the green screen. At the time of sending this e-news, episode 3 is not quite complete but please look out for it <u>here</u> soon. We will also include a link to it in our next e-news in May.

Duke of Edinburgh 1961-2



We received some interesting responses to our piece in the last e-newsletter about Duke of Edinburgh at Emanuel. Anthony Clift (OE1955-62) wrote:

"With regard to the item on Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme you may be interested to know that I took 12 Emanuel army cadets through the bronze award in the 1961/62 academic year. That year I was the senior cadet (RSM) and there was a shortage of army officers. Thus Captain Cruse asked me to take charge of the 120 new recruits and prepare them for the first exam.

To assist me I asked one of the CSMs, Alan

Briant, to join me. Alan had taken DoE to Gold level outside of school activities. We realised we had 120 very intelligent youngsters to train, and the army exam could be taught quite quickly to them. In order to make their initial training more interesting we decided to incorporate the syllabus of the Bronze award into our training programme. When we asked the cadets who was interested in actually taking the DoE test, from memory all 120 stepped

forward. This was just logistically not possible, so somehow we chose 12, three teams of 4, to actually take the test, although all 120 did the theory work.

The weekend camping took place somewhere in Surrey. I borrowed my father's car and Alan took them down by train. No Master was involved, or formal risk assessments, very different from today's standards of Health and Safety. All went well, except we woke on Sunday morning to find one cadet had spots all over his face. I recognised it as chicken pox and phoned his parents from a call box to say I would be driving him home in an hour or so. With little traffic in those days I was back with Alan late morning. I am pleased to say all 12 passed."

OEA Upcoming Dates

OEA Annual General Meeting

Date: Saturday 7 April, 2018

Time: 11am

Venue: Blagdons

OEA Lunch

Date: Saturday 12 May, 2018

Time: Midday

Venue: Emanuel School

Ticket price: £27 to include a 3-course meal with wine

All are welcome. Please contact Mike Markland - <u>mikemarkland@uwclub.net</u> – for more information or to book your place.

OERFC Update



OERFC Update

Old Emanuel Rugby Football Club continues its success. We are currently joint top of the London 3SW League, needing just a few more wins to guarantee promotion - and we hope also to become champions. Two clubs will be promoted and two of us are pulling away from the rest.

Some think that 'The Beast from the East' was the name of the storm that wiped out all rugby games at the start of March, but two Hampshire clubs may be forgiven for

thinking that the term applied to Old Emanuel as the 1st XV put 76 points past Basingstoke RFC and 78 points against Trojans RFC (Southampton) with only 7 in reply in the last two games of February.

The 2nd XV have put got themselves into play-off places in Surrey Reserve Leagues as they seek to extend the season well into April, and we hope the hard work pays off.

We are proud of our 3rd XV battling many club's 2nd XVs and promoting the core values of fun and friendship in rugby to achieve mid-table status.

11 March 2018 showcases OERFC's successful junior programme with under 12s,13s,14s,15s and 16s all playing in Surrey semi-finals with a home draw at Blagdons.

The club is now fully affiliated with Harlequins, and has opportunities for discount group tickets for the matches, and also the opportunity for the children in the club to be guard of honour on match days. Quins also throw in coaching sessions as part of this. There is a forward plan for more help from Harlequins in development.

We are a happy club already making plans for next season. Straight after the senior tour to Rotterdam and junior tours, the adult club goes into rugby specific strength and conditioning programmes in May started by the club's qualified Cross-fit instructors. It will run all summer flowing into formal pre-season rugby training. This may be attractive to those from Emanuel School heading to University.

Upcoming events:

14th Annual Old Emanuel GRM7s

31 March 2018 all day from 10am at Blagdons

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. Two years ago the OE Seventy-7s won this, the regional and then the National competition. They hope to do so again this year. There is a Women's Competition which is also a qualifier.

Pre-Match Lunch before 1st XV play New Milton

Saturday 7 April, 2018 at 1.00pm at Blagdons

Please contact Hon Sec, Nick Dorling, <u>nickdorling86@gmail.com</u> for more information or to book your place (£25 per person - includes half a bottle of wine).

End of Season Awards Dinner

Saturday 21st April from 7.30pm until 1am at Blagdons

This year we intend to host almost 300 people in a Marquee for dinner followed by a live DJ and dancing as we did 7 years ago. It has been a tremendous couple of seasons and there is so much to celebrate. All OEs are very welcome, but tickets are selling fast. Tickets are £35 per person for a 3-course dinner and a half bottle of wine.

Please direct all enquiries to Fergus McCarthy, Director of Rugby - <u>fergus@emanuelrugby.co.uk</u>

OEA Golf Society



The Autumn Meeting of the Society was held again in 2017at Tyrrells Wood Golf Club.

The cups were won by the pair of Graham Heath and Gordon Marsh (a welcome first time participant) with 39 points, and Simon Muskett and John Cavanagh with 36 points in second place. 3rd place was secured by the pairing of Roger Gillett and David Coates with 35 points, this pair on countback with 2 other pairs with the same score.

Longest drive was won by David Coates and nearest the pin by Graham Heath.

The venue for Autumn 2018 is Knole Park Golf Club, near Sevenoaks on 11th October, where Roger Gillett is Captain for 2018. A notice will be sent out shortly for the OEGS Spring Meeting, for which we will be returning to Cuddington Golf Club at Banstead, Surrey in 2018, with 18 holes booked for the afternoon of Thursday 10th May.

In addition, we are assessing whether or not entering a team in the Surrey Schools Golf Societies Festival at Bramley Golf Club on 29th June 2018 is possible after a break in our participation in 2016 and 2017. The shotgun start at 10.30 has proved unworkable for us thus far at this venue given the distances some of our players must travel.

Please contact the Secretary, Clive Galyer, on 020 8643 1834 or 07859 8215 42 or preferably email <u>clive.galyer@gmail.com</u> for further details on any of the Golf Society events. We would really like to see old friends and new from the OE ranks (including ladies – and there must now be many golfers!) at the Spring and Autumn meetings – and competing to join an OE team in June if this proves workable.

OEA Luncheon Club

Twenty-eight OEs gathered at the Union Jack Club on Monday 12 March for the quarterly meeting of the Old Emanuel Luncheon Club (OELC). Following the disruption of the Xmas 2017 event - when a fire on the railway line outside Waterloo and freezing weather conditions resulted in several non-appearances – this was a relatively peaceful affair! Nevertheless, it was generally agreed that the food, service and venue were all of the highest standard and so the Union Jack Club has already been booked for our September and December lunches.

Although called a 'club', the OELC should be thought of more as an 'opportunity'! There is no formal membership or subscription - albeit we encourage those eligible to be fee-paying members of the OEA – and guests are welcome. It is an opportunity for any OEs of whatever age or gender to get together and meet friends.

The next 'opportunity' will be on Monday 11th June 2018 at The Hove Club, 28 Fourth Avenue, Hove, BN3 2PJ - 12.45 pm for 1.30 pm. If you are thinking of meeting up with a few chums from school, why not come along and join us there? You will be made most welcome.

Stuart Cameron-Waller (Hon Sec) stuart@cwt2001.com 01323 894270

Obituaries

We are sorry to announce the death of Donald Inkster (OE1934-42) and Geoffrey David White (OE1938-45). Fuller obituaries can be found <u>here</u>.

Data Protection Laws are Changing

You may be aware that the Data Protection laws are changing in May this year. We are currently rewriting our policies and procedures and will be publishing them soon. In the meantime, if you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us on <u>oe@emanuel.org.uk</u>.

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