

# The Rose & Portcullis

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# Campaign Update - Thank You to The Emanuel Parents' Association

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At the last AGM of the Emanuel Parents' Association, Robert Milne, Headmaster, was very pleased to accept a cheque from the EPA in support of the Fully Funded Places Campaign. Mr Milne talked to parents about some of his visions for Emanuel and accepted the very generous donation of £18,000 towards the bursary campaign. We are delighted that this will support a 'fully-funded' child at Emanuel for one year. It means that we will now have 17 fully-funded pupils with us from September 2018 and our aim is to achieve 20 by 2020.

Mr Milne said, "Emanuel is a charitable organisation and throughout our time we have depended on benefactors to strengthen our educational offer. It is wonderful that an increasing number of well-wishers are choosing to help us ensure that access to an Emanuel

education is open to as many children as possible; being part of our aim to generate social mobility through learning.

I would like to personally thank the committee and trustees of the EPA for their support as well as all OEs, parents, former parents and friends of the school who have supported the Fully Funded Places Campaign so far."

If you would like to add your support to the campaign and help us reach our target of 20 free places by 2020, please click on the Donate Now button below.

**Donate Now** 

## Dacre Day 2018

Date: Saturday 7 July, 2018

Time: From 12 midday. Tea with the Headmaster at 3pm.

Venue: Emanuel School

Please come and join us for our annual celebration of school life. As usual, the school field will be bustling with entertainment for all the family and plenty of refreshments will be on offer. We will also have an archive display available to view in



the Library. The event starts at midday and tea with the Headmaster will be served in the marquee from 3pm. We love to meet as many of you as possible on Dacre Day so please come along and join in the celebrations.

## **Donor Impact Report**

Thank you to everyone who has kindly supported our fundraising endeavours and ambitions so far. We have recently sent out our first ever Donor Impact Report to all of our supporters. The report demonstrates the enormous impact your gifts have made. Our aim is to reach our target of providing 20 free places by 2020.

We have three main Development aims:

#### 20 free places by 2020

Thank you for your generous donations to the Fully Funded Places Campaign. We currently offer 16 free places and will extend this to 17 places in September 2018. We aim to achieve our target of providing 20 fully free places by 2020 and would be very grateful for your support to achieve this aim.



Grow the Trust fund

Our aim is to sustain funding for the 20 free places. To achieve this, we need to grow the Trust fund, which currently stands at  $\pounds$ 3.2 million, to  $\pounds$ 9 million so that the income will fund the bursary places in perpetuity.

## Support capital projects

We aim to support the school's capital projects in part through fundraising. We are currently formulating a masterplan for estates' projects which will draw up buildings, facilities and equipment designs.

The plan will give us a clear way forward which everyone in the school community can get behind and support at the right time. We will share these projects with you as the plans are prepared.

During the summer term, we hope, subject to planning, to start work on the new multi-use games area. This astro-turf facility will provide play space as well as enabling hockey training, netball, basketball and football.

Following this, we would very much like to match the success of the Dacre Building for the Arts and Humanities with another suitably-styled building focused on technology, coding, design and mathematics.

We will share further long-term plans with you as they are agreed.

Click here to view the Donor Impact Report.

Please contact the <u>Development Office</u> if you would like further information or to be involved in any of these projects.

## Success for OE Emma Healey



OE Emma Healey (OE1996-01) has a lot to celebrate at the moment. Following the huge success of her first novel Elizabeth is Missing, which won the Costa First Novel Award in 2014 and topped the Sunday Times Bestseller list, Emma has recently published her second novel, Whistle in the Dark. It tells the story of a 15-year-old Lana, who goes missing for four agonising days. She returns unharmed but refuses to speak about what happened. It's a powerful story about trust and paranoia, mother-daughter relationships and teenage depression.

Emma's other big news is that her debut novel, Elizabeth is Missing, is being made into a 90minute film by the BBC. It is scripted by Andrea Gibb, who wrote the recent film adaptation of Swallows and Amazons. The BBC's controller of drama commissioning commented, "Part detective story, part portrait of a fracturing mind, Andrea Gibb's witty, sensitive adaptation of Emma Healey's novel brings this first-hand account of experiencing dementia to life."

We wish Emma every success.

# **City and Finance Evening**

We were delighted with the success of our first ever careers and networking event held at the beginning of May. Over 60 pupils, parents, alumni and staff gathered at the offices of Ernst



and Young at London Bridge. Thank you very much to current parent Julian Young for his generosity in hosting the event.

Headmaster, Robert Milne, outlined some of the development, careers and infrastructure ambitions for the school and Julian Young gave an insightful speech into his career in finance. The evening was a great opportunity for current pupils to gain some understanding of the reality of working in finance and the range of opportunities that are available to them. It was also a chance

for parents and alumni in the industry to network.

We are hoping to continue to hold one of these satellite events each term so if you are able to host an event please do get in touch with the Development office: <u>development@emanuel.org.uk</u>.

# Summer Serenade



Date: Friday 25th May, 2018

Time: 7.00-9.00pm

Venue: Hampden Hall, Emanuel School

Please come and join us for an evening of music, canapés and refreshments. The audience will 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), £40 for a family of 4 or £100 per table (8 people).

Please click <u>here</u> if you would like tickets.

# Wandsworth Heritage: Historical Tour of Emanuel School



Date: Saturday 2 June

Time: 10am

Venue: Emanuel School (Entry via bridge on Spencer Park)

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 it was a boarding school and orphanage. The permanent School Archive will also be open.

This tour is open to the public, but from our

experience of running these events for many years, the most successful tours always feature

OEs. The Archivist requires stooges to bounce his jokes off and answer his historical questions so please join us should you be free.

The event is free and booking is not required. If you have any questions, please contact <u>Tony</u> <u>Jones</u>, Archivist.

# Meet the OE



We recently caught up with Lily Bolton (OE1996-03). Lily is Director and Founder of Activ Camps, multi-activity camps for children aged 4 to 14 during school holidays, and Activ Adventures, provider of outdoor programmes for schools.

#### What are your memories of Emanuel?

My earliest memory is of walking through the main playground at break time on my first day. I was in the first intake of girls to the school at Year 7 and just remember having to dodge my way through the playground which was full of big teenage boys playing football with the famous air flow balls! It was pretty overwhelming at first as I felt so small but at the same time it was quite special to be a part of such a big change for Emanuel.

There were only about 20 of us, some of whom will definitely be friends for life.

## Did any particular teachers influence you?

My P.E teachers were a big influence: Miss Thompson was my favourite when I started. She made me captain of the A team for netball and was my form teacher in Year 8. I really missed her when she left but Miss Fitzgibbon then took over and helped me with my studies through GCSE and A Level and also when I worked at the school in my gap year. I will always remember her (yelling) words of encouragement at the side of the netball court!

Being the only girl in Drake house when I started meant that Mr Dibden looked out for me quite a bit. He also encouraged me to get involved with all the different house competitions throughout my school life, even tug-of-war against the much-loved Mr Driver. Mr Legg encouraged me to compete in cross country races and also the London mini marathon.

Mrs Zaratiegue and Mrs Williams-Ryan were instrumental in getting me through A-Level Spanish. It was a bit of a struggle but I am sure they will be delighted to know that it is a language I continue to use to this day.

I also loved Maths and will always remember brilliant lessons with Mrs Rigby. She was a wonderful character and made learning so much fun.

#### Were you always interested in sport?

Absolutely, I have always had trouble sitting still and like to be on my feet and doing something. Sport when I was younger was my freedom, my expression, and it allowed me to always push to improve and work towards a never-ending goal of wanting to be better and better.

#### Which sports did you get involved in at Emanuel?

I got involved in pretty much every sport I could at Emanuel; there were so many opportunities to take up. I loved games sessions, the inter-house competitions and those wet and windy cross country races. I also went on a few different adventure week trips which I

loved so much because they kept me active and allowed me to try lots of new activities I wouldn't have otherwise had the opportunity to experience.

#### Can you tell us about your other sporting achievements?

Since leaving school I played football for my university team and for QPR Ladies for a number of years. Running up and down the wing of a football pitch has been a love of mine from a very young age! I reached county standard in tennis and represented many different ladies' teams. I was also lucky enough to have the opportunity to play at Queens.

#### What is special about Activ?

Activ is special because it reaches out to so many people and can be such a big part of young people's lives at such an important time of their development. We have had children who joined our camps at the age of 6-8, have been on team building events with their school with us, completed their Duke of Edinburgh with us and are now working on our camps or our expeditions. To have seen how we have helped these children to develop into young adults and provided them with some lasting memories along the way is something quite special.

#### What do you find most fulfilling about your job?

For me, it is all about the people. Running a company which adds to people's lives is a really wonderful thing. Being able to provide people with great experiences and having a team of staff that are passionate about the services we provide makes all the hard work so worthwhile. My team are my strongest asset and my aim is to always provide the best job I possibly can for them. Running a business where my staff, our clients and I are happy is what I will always strive for. We all love what we do and I hope that shines through in our events.

## What have been the key challenges in setting up your own business?

The process of setting up a business is pretty challenging, especially at the start when I had to do everything from the development of the programmes to organising and running the events as well as trying to find the time to complete the administration of it all. Although demanding, it was definitely the most enjoyable part of the process. I like to still keep involved in the events as much as possible as that is where all the magic happens. There are always and will always be challenges to overcome but we are constantly learning and developing and that helps us to be the best we can be.

## Have you been back to Emanuel since you left?

Activ Camps take place at Emanuel School in the holidays and Activ Adventures run a number of outdoor educational programmes with Mr Keddie at the school so I have been revisiting every year since I left! I love coming back to see the teachers that taught me still doing a marvellous job and it is great to see all the developments that take place each year within the school. It has changed so much since I started; it is almost unrecognisable!

#### What do you do in your spare time to relax?

I enjoy listening to music, reading and cooking and keep active outside of work by rock climbing and playing tennis.

## **MCC Cricket Match**

Date: Thursday 14 June, 2018

Time: 11.00am -7.00pm

Venue: Emanuel School

All OEs are welcome to join us for Emanuel v MCC, 1st XI at home.

Please email us at oe@emanuel.org.uk if you would like to attend.



# **Dr Emrys Jones Visits Emanuel**



We were delighted to welcome back one of our most distinguished recent academic alumni, Dr Emrys Jones (OE1995-02), to lecture our A-Level English pupils on one of his favourite subjects, the origins of 'celebrity culture' in literature. After leaving Emanuel in 2002, Emrys studied for an MA at Oxford and followed this with a PhD at Cambridge. His thesis "Friendship and Allegiance in 18th Century Literature" was later published by Palgrave. He currently lectures on 18th Century English Literature at King's College London and has a new collection of essays to be published soon.

Our pupils were enthralled by the talk, which examined how what we now know as 'celebrity culture' was born in the 18th century with the talk giving many examples from the period including Alexander Pope. Emrys has come a long way since playing the Tin Man in Emanuel's version of 'The Wizard of Oz' and the distant days of Deputy Head Boy and Editor of the Portcullis.

# **1960s Decade Reunion**



On 21 April, we were delighted to host the 1960s Decade Reunion, our biggest reunion event to date. Over 150 OEs attended, along with more than 20 partners. Many OEs had not been back to school for over fifty years. One OE wrote to us to say that "It was good to go back to the "old school" and see how things have changed (and, in some case, not changed!) over the many years since I left. I can only marvel at the facilities available to young people at school these days."

Tony Jones, Archivist, laid out an impressive

display of photos and memorabilia in the Library and the catering team did an amazing job of providing a full buffet lunch. Another OE commented, "Great weather, great food, great to see so many past friends and great that I could still recognise most of them too! The school looked absolutely resplendent and wonderfully decked out to greet us all."

Taking a photo of 150 OEs assembled in front of the main entrance and then taking year group shots was something of a challenge with so many people to organise but we managed it with the help of Emily's loudspeaker. If you would like to see the full Photo Gallery, please click <u>here</u>.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Reunion. We really enjoyed meeting you all.

## **Obituaries**

We are sorry to announce the death of Louis Calvete (OE1934-37), Geoffrey Brian Sewards (OE1945-55) and Antony Webb (OE1945-50). Obituaries can be found <u>here</u>.

# Marathon Success - Pete Crockford (OE1969-76)

22 April, 2018 was a big day for OE Pete Crockford. Not only was it his 60<sup>th</sup> birthday but he completed the London Marathon in a great time. Pete had also recently retired after spending 26 years as a Government environment lawyer.

Pete says of his achievement, "I made it and ran 3:33:11 on my 60<sup>th</sup> birthday. I was pretty happy with that, given the gruelling heat and drain of the preceding weeks. I had friends and family for a party to celebrate that afternoon and I learned afterwards that Sarah and the children had taken bets on how long I would be able to keep going before collapsing. I am happy to say they were all wrong and I kept going until we'd cleared up at 10.30pm!"

Read how Pete came to run the marathon here.



# Back to the '60s by John Monkhouse (OE1959-67)



John Monkhouse (OE1959-67) attended the 1960s Reunion in April and shared some of his memories of school with friends there. If anyone else from that era would like a nostalgic look at life at Emanuel in the '60s, including Fiery Jack liniment, the school in lockdown in 1967 pending a recount of rifles in the Armoury, spam fritters for lunch and dances in the Hampden Hall, click <u>here</u> to read John's memories.

# **Old Emanuel Luncheon Club**

The recent 60s reunion saw many who had not been back to the school for many years getting on famously with old chums with whom they were quite probably 'renewing acquaintances' after a long absence. Many expressed a desire for more occasions when they could reconnect with old Emanuel friends.

The Luncheon Club is a great opportunity for you to do this. 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 OEs of whatever age or gender to get together and have some fun. The lunches usually take place on the second Monday of March, June, September and December. If you would like the opportunity to see other OEs, why not come along to the Old Emanuel Luncheon Club? You will be made most welcome.

The next Luncheon Club will be on Monday 11 June 2012 at The Hove Club, 28 Fourth Avenue, Hove, BN3 2PJ - 12.45 pm for 1.30 pm. If you are interested, please contact Stuart Cameron-Waller on <u>stuart@cwt2001.com</u> or 01323 894270 and Stuart will provide any further information you need and add you to the distribution list. You will then receive invitations to all the events as and when they are announced. The September Luncheon Club will be held in London.

# **OERFC Update**

## Promotion

1st XV achieved back-to-back promotions and will be in the lofty heights of London 2 next season. Promotion was achieved with one match to go and with every other team in the league beaten. The group is ambitious to punch through next season and with a few expected recruits and some long-term injuries overcome, there is confidence. There are usually about 10 players in the 1st XV that went to Emanuel School.



2nd XV also won promotion and a new Surrey Reserve Premier League is being formed with Old Emanuel invited to join. The club is one of the few in the area fielding a 3rd XV and, although they are more social, they compete well against 1st & 2nd XVs. There are plans for an under 21s squad.

Click <u>here</u> to read the full OERFC update.

# Old Emanuel Golf Society



The Spring Meeting of the Society was held again this year at Cuddington Golf Club in Banstead, Surrey, over 18 holes played in the afternoon of Thursday 10 May.

The full results were as follows:

## Stableford

- 1. David Coates 43 points
- 2. Peter Lippiatt 39 points
- 3. Tony Batt 34 points

#### Scratch

- 1. David Coates Gross 74
- 2. Tony Batt Gross 82

Longest drive - Stuart Cameron-Waller

Nearest the pin - Simon Muskett

The venue for the Autumn 2018 Guest Day will be Knole Park GC in Sevenoaks with Roger Gillett as Captain this year. This will be held on 11 October.

Please contact the Secretary, Clive Galyer, on 020 8643 1834 or 07859 8215 42 or preferably via <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 likely be many golfers!) at the Spring and Autumn meetings.

Richard Bainbridge (OE1957-64) has collected over 500 contemporary Quaker lives/spiritual journeys. If you are a Quaker interested in participating, please contact Richard for further information - <u>rmbainbridge@gmail.com</u>.

## The 'Richard Marriott' Boat Naming Ceremony

At the end of April, we launched the new 'Richard Marriott' boat, named after our longserving member of staff who, in his 33 years at the school, has always been involved in rowing and has coached some fabulous crews along the way. The Headmaster, staff, current pupils, Richard's family and OEs gathered to see the launch of the first girls' VIII boat Emanuel has purchased brand new. Some of the current girls competing for a seat in the boat also did a row-by during the function.



Since Richard retired from full-time teaching in 2015, he has enjoyed dedicating his time to rowing duties and is currently responsible for the Senior Boys Crew. Director of Rowing, Mr David Conington, paid tribute to Richard who followed with a speech and the christening of the new boat with some well-deserved champagne. Thanks to Clint Evans (OE1972-79) for the great photo.

## **Emanuel News Bulletin Episode 4**

Episode 4 of the Emanuel News Bulletin has just been released. The bulletin is filmed in the media suite and gives a brief update on what has been happening at school recently. This episode features the school musical, We Will Rock You, some highlights from Poetry Slam, the Dragons' Den event and footage from 'An Evening with Gordon Corera'. Gordon is Security Correspondent at the BBC and gave us a fascinating insight into his work. Click <u>here</u> to view episode 4.



# Young Enterprise Success

At the end of April, one of our fabulous Young Enterprise teams won the Central London section of this prestigious national competition against very stiff opposition. Many OEs will have participated down the years with Mr Benn, Mr Tong and a host of other teachers.

Our winners set up a tutoring business called 'One2One', which now has over twenty clients and has completed over 130 hours of tutoring. At all stages of the competition, which began in a Wandsworth heat, their business model has continued to impress the judges.

The Central London section was held at the offices of BLP solicitors on London Bridge with Emanuel defeating a host of top schools including Dulwich College, South Hampstead High School, Frances Holland and Putney High. By winning 'Best Overall Company',



qualification to the next round was assured. The team will represent central London at the HSBC offices in Canary Wharf in the next round. 'One2One' are now just one round away from the national finals of the competition, the winners of which will represent the UK in Croatia at the European finals in August.

This is a terrific achievement for our team and we would like to congratulate all eight girls and the staff who have supported them.

## We Will Rock You



This year's school musical, Queen and Ben Elton's We Will Rock You was performed to record-breaking crowds in the Hampden Hall. The four packed performances were the culmination of seven months' hard work for the company of 98 actors, technicians and musicians. In addition to the excellent individual performances of hits such as 'It's a Kind of Magic' and 'Somebody to Love', the large ensemble numbers were slick and polished. The band worked tirelessly and featured excellent guitar solos. All of the show's complicated technical elements were

operated by students on the night. Congratulations to everyone involved on a superb performance.

## **The Emanuel Science Journal**



The Emanuel Science Journal is a studentrun paper, written and edited by pupils, covering a myriad of science-related topics. This includes articles on Biology, Chemistry,

Mathematics, Physics and Psychology which are studied in school as well as further subjects such as Engineering, Medicine and Environmental Science. The writers of this journal are some of the best and most curious scientists Emanuel has to offer. The latest edition covers topics as diverse as why the 'flu vaccine was ineffective this year, sleep analysis apps, nuclear power and coverage of Emanuel's Science Week. Click <u>here</u> to read the latest Emanuel Science Journal.

# **New Privacy Notice**

We love keeping in touch with you and all our OEs and telling you about everything that is happening at Emanuel.

We wanted to make you aware that we have recently updated our Privacy Policy. The Policy explains how we collect, store and use your personal data.

At Emanuel, we take your privacy very seriously. We use your contact details to keep you updated about developments at Emanuel and alumni events by email and by post.

You can view the updated Privacy Policy by clicking on the link below or by clicking on Privacy Policy under Accessibility and Policies on the <u>alumni home page</u>.

## New Privacy Policy

There's nothing you need to do right now but if you'd like to find out more do take a look at our new Privacy Policy or contact <u>data.protection@emanuel.org.uk</u>.

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