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## Thank you to the Old Emanuel Bursary Trust



We wish to thank all contributors to the Old Emanuel Bursary Trust for their recent generous donations. The Trust has provided for the purchase of three 3D printers which will benefit the whole school. They have also funded spectral tubes, a set of cloud chambers, a Wimshurst generator and a digital microscope for the Science department and an annual subscription to MASSOLIT, provider of curriculum-linked lectures in English Literature, History, Philosophy and Classics for GCSE and A level students.

The Trust, set up in 2004 to benefit students in education and sport, has recently been closed and all funds allocated to exciting new equipment for the school.

The Design Technology department reports that the 3D printers combined with new industry standard CAD software have already totally revolutionised the teaching and delivery of our exam and KS3 courses.

We are now incorporating our computer modelling and 3D printing technologies into all courses from year seven upwards and the pupils are really benefiting from having access to this incredible resource. Exam groups are already using the technology in their coursework projects and this has raised the standard of their work in a very short space of time.

In the next edition of the e-news, we will give you an update on the equipment purchased for the Science department. Donations of this kind are invaluable and enable us to support a range of initiatives across the school. Please [email us](#) if you can help with any of these projects.

## Young leavers' Christmas drinks

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Date: Monday 10th December

Time: 6pm - 8pm

Venue: Library, Emanuel School

Join us for a festive evening of drinks and nibbles in the library for those who left, or would have left, the 6th Form between 2014 and 2018. It's a great opportunity to catch up with friends and teachers and to see the school again.



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## Meet the OE - Mark Stephens (1975-82)

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Mark Stephens (OE1975-82) is an Architect and Passivhaus designer who runs his own practice in Ireland. He specialises in creating well-designed and functional buildings that are sustainable and eco-friendly. We caught up with him to find out more.

### What are your memories of Emanuel?

I have some memories of Emanuel that stand out. I left my briefcase in the wrong first year Portakabin on my first day and then walked down the drive in tears when my parents came to collect me. The agony was compounded the next day when I had to put my hand up when Sergeant asked mid-morning, during class, who the idiot was that left his bag in the wrong place!

I was a proud member of Nelson house and although I was never exceptionally gifted at sport I was nonetheless enthusiastic in rugby but unfortunately less enthusiastic at cricket.

A key memory was being summoned into Mr Gledhill's (Head of Lower School) office to be questioned over my choice of A level subjects; it was unheard of at the time for someone to take Art together with Science subjects. I stood my ground and had to explain that this was a perfect combination of subjects to study Architecture, which is a combination of art and science. Even when I was told that becoming an architect is a lengthy and difficult course (7 years minimum) and that I might change my mind, I didn't waver. I explained that when I set my mind on something I generally achieve it.

Read Mark's full account [here](#).

## London Film Festival success

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Congratulations to Charlie Lyne (OE2001-08) who won the short film category top award at the London Film Festival for his 14-minute film *Lasting Marks*, which was produced and



scored by Anthony Ing (OE2004-09).

The film tells the previously untold story of 16 men who were put on trial for sadomasochism in the final days of Thatcher's Britain. At the time it was widely covered and sensationalised by the media, but [Lasting Marks](#) tells the story of the men involved.

Charlie is no stranger to major film awards, having previously won a British Independent Film Award (BIFA) for *Fish Story* in 2017. Charlie specialises in quirky documentaries and began his career with *Beyond Clueless*, a homage to the teen movie of his formative years. He is also a highly respected film journalist, blogger and critic who writes regularly in newspaper and film magazines.

On Halloween, his excellent horror film documentary *Fear Itself* was repeated on BBC4.

## Memories of former staff - Stuart Fairlamb (1980-2010)

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In the spring of 1980 I walked down the drive at Emanuel for the first time and thought this might be a nice place work. The grounds looked wonderful compared to the school I was in at that time. I have to say they look even better now. Little did I know then that I would be there for the next 30 years. That day was my interview. I say interview but it was more like a cosy chat over a cup of tea with the then Head, Peter Hendry. I remember Peter as being a very gentle man as well as a gentleman – a nice guy who is unfortunately no longer with us.



I was then passed on to Cliff Lynn, the Head of the Craft Department – woodwork, metalwork and Technical Drawing (TD) as it was in those days. I don't know how I did it but I must have impressed Cliff and I was offered the job which I accepted. We were both from an engineering background so that may have helped. Interviews seem more pressurised these days with having to 'teach' a lesson; a nerve-wrecking experience! I am glad I am not starting out now.

To read Stuart's full account, please click [here](#).

## St Cecilia's Concert - Friday 23 November

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Date: Friday 23 November, 2018

Time: 7.00pm-9.00pm

Venue: Hampden Hall, Emanuel School

St Cecilia's Concert features all Emanuel ensembles as well as house music solo winners performing in a high quality and fun event. The concert will finish at around 9.00pm and refreshments and snacks will be

provided in the interval.

All OEs are welcome to attend. Please email [oe@emanuel.org.uk](mailto:oe@emanuel.org.uk) for ticket details.

## OE trains England rugby team

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Sprint specialist Jonas Dodoo (OE1997-04) was drafted into the England rugby international set-up to help them work on their speed conditioning during their week-long training in Portugal ahead of the Quilter Internationals.

Jonas has worked previously with a number of Premiership sides, the England Sevens team as well as Olympic champion Greg Rutherford and British sprinter CJ Ujah.

At Emanuel, Jonas was a fine rugby player, mainly as number eight or centre and the photo is his profile shot from the 2003 Emanuel tour to South Africa.

## Emanuel remembers - WW1 Centenary

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Over the weekend, the nation remembered those who lost their lives in both World Wars and other conflicts, with a particular emphasis on the millions killed in the First World War. Emanuel School lost over 150 former pupils and staff in the first conflict and over 100 in the second. Combined, over 1,700 OEs served in both World Wars.

It was fantastic to see a number of OEs who joined us for the Remembrance Service in the Chapel on Friday and for refreshments in the library afterwards.

The photograph is a generous donation by Mr Liam Jung (OE1972-78) and his friend Steve Curtis. Steve discovered the above 1911 1st XI cricket photo in a junk shop in north London and, realising Liam was an OE, bought the framed photo on his behalf. Both gentlemen were keen to visit the school and compare the 11 names with the First World War Memorial in the school chapel before gifting it to the school archive. It is especially valuable as it is rare to be gifted photographs which are not already part of our collection. Crucially, it also features two boys who later lost their lives in the war.



[Read more.](#)

## 60 years since starting Emanuel

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60 years since starting Emanuel, class 1EX held a reunion last month in The Victoria in Lancaster Gate. It was convened by Peter Fischer (OE1958-66) and the photograph shows (from left to right) Ian Herd, Graham Wood, Michael Vince, David Wiltshire, David Haynes, Paul Sarfaty, Peter Fischer and Keith Penny, all of whom started Emanuel in 1958.



## Emanuel news bulletin

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In this year's first episode of the Emanuel News Bulletin, pupils share some of the recent highlights of school life. The annual *Showstoppers* concert features solos from music scholars and songs to mark the centenary of the end of the Second World War. The film also shows the year 7 camping trip, house tug of war and the variety of trips over October half-term. Click [here](#) to watch the film.

## Rowing success

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We are delighted to report that Sophie and Maddie (both Year 12) won the Junior 18 double sculls at Wallingford Long Distance Sculls and then the Pairs Head of the River, competing in the *Charlotte Easton* boat. This is particularly noteworthy as they have beaten crews in the age category above their own. The girls have trained hard, shown maturity and determination along the way and really earned these great wins. Sophie and Maddie usually row together and also compete in eights and fours.



The boat is named after the late and inspirational Head of Classics, Ms Charlotte Easton (Staff 2010-16), who died in 2016 after a long and courageous battle against cancer. We're sure Charlie would be very proud to see our Emanuel girls doing so well in the boat which bears her name. Charlie herself was a superb rower who in 2004 won a gold medal at Henley in the women's lightweight single scull class.

Thus far this rowing season has seen a win in the Junior 16 double sculls at Pairs Head of the River with Lauren and Kyra finishing on top. The J18 girls' pair finished second and the J18 girls' intermediate double also came fourth in their category. The J18 boys' doubles finished sixth and seventh in their event.

## Governors walk the Camino

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In September, School Governors Marion Parsons and Markus Jaigirder (OE1975-82) walked the famous Camino from Porto to Santiago de Compostela, a pilgrimage of 270km. It was an enlightening journey for both of them.

Markus concluded:

"The Camino taught us the pleasure of simplicity, and the value to be gained from doing some things slowly. But most of all it taught us to get to know a person before rushing to judgement. Everyone has a story to tell; are we ready to listen?"

To read Marion and Markus' full account of their trip, click [here](#).



## Archives Online

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The Archives Online is a treasure trove of Emanuel publications, concert, drama, musicals, speech day and sports programmes, The Portcullis, newspaper clippings and photographs. With a fully searchable database, it's easy to find what you are interested in from your time at Emanuel.

Please use the following details to access the Archive:

User name – genguest

Password – genguest

Please note that we do not have individual access details any more.

If you can't find what you are looking for, please contact our Archivist, [Tony Jones](#).

## Open House London

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A hearty crowd braved the lashing rain for the latest Open House day. Both tours with the school archivist were full to capacity, with upwards of thirty people on each walk. It is a long-standing tradition to photograph OEs who attend donning old school caps and this time out we had five in the first tour (one of whom is not pictured) and one in the second. Funnily enough, Mr Jay Dalley (OE1976-83), who is in the centre of the photo, attended Emanuel in the final year caps were compulsory and he recalled pupils joyfully burning them or throwing them on the railway lines when term ended.

Gary Willcocks (OE1953-58), shown on the far left of the photo, was great fun on the tour. He arrived at Emanuel over six decades ago and had a fantastic recollection of buildings and

locations.

Our next historical walk will be in early June, when we once again doff the old school caps for participation in Wandsworth Cultural Fortnight.



## Obituaries

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We are sorry to announce the death of Anthony John Dyer (OE1960-67). Below is an extract from *A Remembrance* by his brother Peter J Dyer (OE1967-74):

Tony was my "big bruvva" as he used to say. We were not always close, but in the past few years had become reacquainted and re-bonded. Blood is truly thicker.

I owe my life long love of music to my brother. Tony played bass and guitar in a folk rock band and brought records home that I couldn't help but hear. I remember working out the harmonies of Simon and Garfunkel with him, and learning the songs on James Taylor's Sweet Baby James by heart.



We went to the same high school, Emanuel Grammar. Tony was a champion cross country runner, brilliant with his hands in making anything from wood or metal (when those classes were a natural part of any worthwhile school curriculum), and a scholar to boot. Tony graduated the year I entered, and left me some big shoes to fill!

[Click here](#) to read the full Remembrance.

## Old Emanuel Luncheon Club

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The next meeting of the Old Emanuel Luncheon Club will be in the McIntosh Room at the Union Jack Club, Sandell Street, London, SE1 8UJ, on Monday 10 December. There has been an unprecedented response this year and all places for the Christmas event are now booked.

All OEs are very welcome to attend Old Emanuel Luncheon Club events. If you are interested in finding out more, please email Stuart Cameron-Waller (Hon Sec) - [stuart@cwt2001.com](mailto:stuart@cwt2001.com).



## OERFC Update

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It's been a busy couple of months at OERFC with the 1st team finding their feet in a very competitive London South West 2 League. A couple of narrow losses bracketed by two spirited wins is not a fair reflection of the effort being put in both on and off the field.

2nd and 3rd XVs have also had a mixed start to the season with some great wins where selection has allowed us to field competitive

teams. Senior training is Tuesday and Thursday evenings between 7.30pm and 9pm.

The mini and junior section continues to grow and thrive. We are hoping to re-energise our girls' section with the recruitment of two ex-Surrey age group coaches.

Our Touch section continues to grow and has offered a useful tool to rehabilitate injured players and recruit new ones.

[Click here](#) for the full update.

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