

EMANUEL IN THE COMMUNITY

PARTNERSHIPS AND OUTREACH PROGRAMME

SPOTLIGHT

NOVEMBER 2023

We have an active community and partnership programme that involves pupils, staff, parents and the wider community. We are delighted to share some of the highlights of our activities so far this term.

YEAR 6 ENRICHMENT TEAM WORK AT HIGH ASHURST

On 5 and 10 October, our 6USC and 6OR pupils ventured to the wonderful High Ashurst Outdoor Education Centre in the Surrey Hills as part of our Year 6 enrichment programme with our partner schools.

6USC and 6OR were joined by 24 John Burns Primary and 21 Christ Church CE Primary pupils respectively. The children worked together in mixed school teams through a series of activities and challenges over the course of each day.

Each session was action-packed. Everyone tried their hand at Orienteering – teams worked really well together finding key markers using their map reading skills. We participated in team challenges which involved analysis, planning, communication, a little trial and error and execution. The teams did this brilliantly. We made fires, built dens, navigated a challenge course, had a shot at archery and navigated a code breaking exercise. The children had a fabulous time and, in addition to learning some new skills, importantly, made some new friends.



EMPOWHER FULHAM FC FOUNDATION AND EMANUEL SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP

We have partnered with Fulham FC Foundation (FFCF) for a number of years. They deliver our partner school Year 4 football tournaments each term which are brilliant fun and provide opportunities for 120 girls and boys to represent their schools, learn about working together as a team and develop some new skills. We also host their disability football sessions on Monday and Friday evenings on our mini astro. These sessions are well attended by teens and young adults – our sessions are the most popular across the borough.

The redevelopment of the All Weather Pitch has provided us with the opportunity to expand our relationship further. We have launched **EmpowHER** – a programme designed to inspire and empower young women through holistic sports-driven activities. EmpowHER is centred on football – each session focuses on technical skills development, topic challenges, small-sided games and debriefs. Women's football is on the ascendency and our Thursday evening sessions are attended by 70 plus girls, 16 of whom are part of EmpowHER. The

latter is set to increase to 24 girls as we develop the programme further.

The EmpowHER programme is designed to be high impact. In addition to the coaching sessions, we will include inspirational women speakers, 1-2-1 mentors, careers talks and educational workshops. Our aim is to inspire and empower young women to make positive life choices. We will be reaching out for speakers, work experience opportunities and more. All very exciting!



CELEBRATING BIODIVERSITY SHARING OUR GARDEN WITH OUR COMMUNITY

Our Biodiversity Garden is a great resource for our Emanuel pupils and for our wider community. We welcomed Park House children on 29 September as part of their celebration of 'Big Green Week'. Big Green Week is an annual celebration that encourages people around the world to think about how we can facilitate community action against climate change and protect our environment. Pupils had

the opportunity to explore ways in which we can look after the environment; this included supporting plant growth through watering, pond dipping to conserve cleanliness for the creatures who inhabit the pond and engaging in a sensory session where they smelt and tasted home-grown herbs; they particularly liked smelling the rosemary bush!



ACTION-PACKED GCSE BOOSTERS FOR WESTMINSTER CITY AND ST JOHN BOSCO

During the Autumn and Spring holidays we run GCSE booster programmes for two of our partner secondary schools, Westminster City School and St John Bosco College. This October half-term was no exception. Pupils participated in 'stretch and challenge' or 'support' sessions in English, Maths and Physics. The sessions are run by our wonderful Emanuel staff. Participants and staff find the sessions rewarding – pupils are engaged and eager to learn. Over 55% of last year's cohort achieved their predicted grades or higher in English and Maths – so the sessions are impactful too.

PRIMARY AMBITIONS LOWER SIXTH GET READY FOR PARTNER SCHOOLS

Lower Sixth students have been diligently preparing for the first 5-week module of Primary Ambitions, our student-led Friday enrichment programme for Year 6 partner school children. As part of our students' preparation, we invited Georgia Orchin, Key Stage 2 Lead from partner school St George's CE Primary, to share her pupils' experiences of the programme, the difference that it makes in addition to teaching tips and techniques.

Miss Orchin stated 'When I arrived at St. George's, I was immediately thrown into the world of Primary Ambitions and was genuinely awestruck at the opportunities it presented for our children. The progress that the programme and facilitators equipped our children to make was immense. We count it a real privilege to work in partnership with Emanuel School.' Miss Orchin's session was inspiring and a great addition to our students Primary Ambitions induction.

We are looking forward to welcoming 285 primary school pupils to Emanuel this week for their first session of the programme.



COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS FULHAM FC WOMEN VS ARSENAL ACADEMY AT CRAVEN COTTAGE

As a Fulham FC Foundation partner, we have been offered the opportunity to apply for complimentary tickets to the Fulham FC Women's fixture against Arsenal Academy at Craven Cottage on the 19 November. These tickets are limited and available on a first come first served basis. If you are interested in taking up this offer please follow the steps below.

1. Visit tickets.fulhamfc.com
2. Register with OneFulham or login to your existing account
3. Select the Fulham FC Women vs Arsenal Academy fixture
4. Enter the promotional code **FOUNDSCHE**
5. Select your tickets and add to basket
6. Process your booking free of charge.

Great if some of you can join at Craven Cottage and cheer on Fulham in this Women's Capital Cup match!



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UNICEF UK MOROCCAN AND LIBYA EARTHQUAKE AND FLOOD APPEAL

Thank you so much to everyone who has so generously donated to the earthquake and flood appeal. We have raised over £1000 which will make a huge difference to those affected.

In the wake of these emergencies, UNICEF is coordinating closely with local authorities and partners to help ensure children and families receive the critical support and services they need. If you would like to make a financial donation to our Emanuel School UNICEF UK Moroccan earthquake & Libyan flood support appeal, [please click here](#).



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For more information on our community partnership and outreach activities, and to volunteer for any of the initiatives, please contact Mrs Irwin, Head of Community Partnerships and Outreach: Lisa.irwin@emanuel.org.uk

MINIBUS DRIVING AN EASY WAY TO HAVE A DIRECT IMPACT ON OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS

We have some volunteers which is amazing but are still in need of more! As you know, we run numerous community partner activities here on site and further afield. Many of our partner schools struggle to participate without our support. When possible, we provide our Emanuel School minibuses and we are always on the lookout for drivers. If you have a clean driving licence, have been driving for two plus years and are interested in volunteering, we would love to hear from you. You do not need a special licence to drive a minibus – the category B licence we all require to drive our cars is sufficient.



CHRISTMAS HAMPER DELIVERIES DRIVERS NEEDED

We will be distributing Christmas hampers, in collaboration with our partner CHEER, to vulnerable single parent families in our local community once again in December. More details will follow regarding specific families and sought-after items. We are looking for volunteers willing to deliver to local distribution points on 13 and 14 December. If you are interested in helping in this hands-on way, please let us know.

