



Emmanuel College

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Polished performances in Poetry & Prose



This week saw another outstanding House event where students delivered poems, prose and speeches in the House Poetry and Prose competition. The Year 7 audience were captivated by prose passages from Year 7, recitals of poems from Year 8 and speeches from Year 9 from the theme: *'What one thing would you change about our world?'* Special congratulations to Matthew Wright, the Year 7 winner from Romans House, who was also voted overall Public Speaking winner by the judges. Year 8 winner Scarlett Riffert's recital of William Blake's *Tyger* and Year 9 winner Dylan Reay's insightful speech on *Anxiety Awareness* are both from Corinthians House.

Business Game final: who will the dragons choose?



The grand final of the ESF Business Game is taking place today here at Emmanuel College. Three teams from each of the ESF schools have travelled here to present their innovative products and services in a quest to win the coveted trophy. Ideas from Emmanuel's teams include a UV-sensing watch, a 3D shopping app and an app to allow easy access to a vet. Will an Emmanuel team win for the second year running? All will be revealed in next week's newsletter.

Christmas Concert: Wednesday 5 December



The Emmanuel College Christmas Concert is the best way to get into the festive spirit. So on Wednesday 5 December, why not join us at 7:00pm in the Main Hall for magical Christmas melodies from our Senior and One Voice Choirs, Jazz Band, Orchestra and ensembles and our College production *Les Misérables*. There will be mince pies and festive refreshments at this popular event, so don't miss it!

Dr Sakie from *Health and Hope* in Burma



We were privileged to welcome Dr Sakie to College on Tuesday afternoon. Dr Sakie works with *Health and Hope*, one of the College charities; he is one of the five doctors who serve over 100,000 people in

Chin State in Burma (Myanmar). Interviewed by Mr Waterfield, his words inspired the Year 12 audience as they heard about the three priorities of health, education and food security. Students were given a remarkable insight into some of the complexities of the political and religious situation in the country, including the experiences of the Rohingya and the nature of the new democratic system.

Shoeboxes dispatched to Romania



A huge thank you to everyone who made up a shoebox for the Blythswood Appeal. A grand total of 245 shoeboxes were collected; 20 more than last year. They will be sent to Romania in time for Christmas; we hope they bring joy to those who receive them.

Royal Northern Sinfonia live in concert at Sage, Gateshead



This week, music students from Year 10 and the sixth form attended an educational concert by the Royal Northern Sinfonia Orchestra at Sage, Gateshead, exploring and bringing to life pieces from their GCSE and A-Level syllabuses. The riveting live performances of a variety of pieces from the Royal Northern Sinfonia were interactive and informative. This was a great concert, and for some of our students a fantastic first experience of seeing an orchestra live.

From semi-professional football to social housing



James Hudson left Emmanuel College in 2002 to read Geography at Durham University. Having graduated, he took the opportunity to spend a season playing semi-professional football in the USA, before returning to the North East. After some months building a network, he managed to secure a consultancy role and was fast-tracked to lead consultant on the Tyne Tunnel 2 project. At present, James is Business and Service Development Manager at Beyond Housing, a social housing project, where James and his team have managed to return hundreds of thousands of pounds to social enterprise. Find out more: www.gconomics.co.uk/events

“Parting is such sweet sorrow...” – A week of Shakespeare for A-Level literature students



A-Level literature students have been (happily!) inundated by Shakespeare over the course of the past week. This started with their attendance at the ETT’s production of *Othello* at Northern Stage. Captivated by the plight of “one who loved not wisely but too well”, students enjoyed a contemporary re-envisioning of the eponymous tragedy. Later in the week, the RSC’s live stream of *Romeo and*

Juliet provided further opportunities for insight into Shakespearean archetypes and themes of romantic love. Both lively and diverse productions were thoroughly enjoyed by all.

“Beware; for I am fearless, and therefore powerful.” *Frankenstein*, Mary Shelley (aged 19)



Earlier this week, a group of eager Year 12 literature students attended a lecture at Newcastle University delivered by Fiona Sampson, author of 'In Search of Mary Shelley: The Girl who wrote *Frankenstein*'. The poet and academic explored some of the early influences on the writer's life and emphasised the incredibly young age at which she penned her seminal text. The event celebrated the 200th anniversary of one of English literature's most influential Gothic writers.

KS5 Reading Group next meeting: Friday 30 November



All sixth form students are warmly invited to join us for the next KS5 Reading Group meeting next Friday. Patrick Foley and Will Gaffing will be choosing our reading material. Please arrive promptly to Room 24 (with packed-lunches) at the start of period 5.

Come along to the Christmas Fair



It's the Emmanuel Christmas Fair tomorrow, and we hope to see you there. Please invite family, friends and neighbours as it's a great way to get started on your Christmas shopping. There will be lots of stalls selling an array of gifts, and hot and cold refreshments will be served throughout the day. At the fair, we will also be supporting several charities which need our help. Please give generously so you can give someone less fortunate a Christmas they'll remember.

- **North East Homeless:** Collecting hats, gloves, hand-warmers, sleeping bags, torches, toiletries
- **Gifts for children in hospital (QE, Freeman and RVI):** gifts must be new and unwrapped, and suitable for children aged 0 to 18 years
- **Local Care Home for teenagers (four boys age 17 and one girl age 17):** gifts must be new and unwrapped

Staff vacancy: HR Administration Officer

We currently have a vacancy for an HR Administration Officer. The closing date for completed applications is Monday 10 December 2018, 9:00am. For full details and an application form [read more](#)

This week's sports results

<p>Football</p>	<p>Sixth Form</p>  <p>Emmanuel 5 v 0 Northumberland C of E Academy, Ashington <i>Scorers: Josh Baggs, Chris Hewitt, Charlie Watson 2 and Mete Cetin</i></p>
<p>Rugby</p>	<p>Under 18 Friendly</p>  <p>Emmanuel 38 v 25 Kings Priory</p> <p>Year 7 Friendly Emmanuel 30 v 25 Bede Academy</p> <p>Year 8 Friendly Emmanuel 30 v 5 Bede Academy</p>
<p>Netball</p>	<p>Year 7 Emmanuel (A) 3 v 13 Bede Academy Emmanuel (B) 5 v 8 Bede Academy</p>
<p>Hockey</p>	<p>Year 8 and 9 team Emmanuel 0 v 1 Bede Academy</p> <p>Sixth Form Emmanuel 0 v 0 Bede Academy</p>
<p>Basketball</p>	<p>Gateshead League</p> <p>Year 8 Emmanuel 19 v 29 Whickham</p> <p>Year 9 Emmanuel 0 v 17 Cardinal Hume</p>

Coming up ...

Week commencing 26 November 2018

Tuesday 27 November

Year 12/13s competing in Senior Maths Challenge at Northumbria University

Thursday 29 November

Aaron Shankhar (Year 13) speaking to students about the Oxford University UNIQ Summer School

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