



EMMANUEL COLLEGE

Emmanuel Schools Foundation

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World Book Day: let's celebrate the love of reading!



World Book Day was celebrated in style yesterday. Year 7 and 8 students were involved in a 'Reading Relay' where they heard a little bit of a short story each lesson throughout the day and made book recommendation bunting in their English lessons. 'Accelerated Reader Scrabble' in the library was well attended and everyone enjoyed book-themed food at lunch. It was difficult to choose: Bruce Bogtrotter chocolate cake? A Famous Five picnic plate? Or what about choosing a Hogwarts' House cupcake?

Robotics champions to National Final!



Last Friday, four of our budding roboticists took part in a lengthy robotics challenge held at the Nissan plant in Washington. The competition involved designing, building and programming a robot to complete a series of ten missions, all in a very short space of time. The competition also required them to give detailed verbal presentations to a panel of judges on the topic of 'search and rescue' in relation to a natural disaster response mission. Our team of two Year 7 and two Year 8 students wowed the judges with their level of robotics knowledge and understanding and their maturity during the presentations. Of the four separate disciplines, Emmanuel won one, finished in the top two or three in the other three, and went on to win the overall competition. Mr Thomas, who has managed and coached the team since September, was absolutely delighted and proud of his team. This now means that the four students have qualified for the National Robotics Final at the NEC later this month. Congratulations to Peter Daniels and Eve Robertson (Year 7) and Jasper Churcher and Sami Malik (Year 8).

Prefects learn leadership at Beamish Wild



Year 8 and 9 prefects had an incredible time at Beamish Wild on Friday for their leadership training. The students engaged enthusiastically with every activity, and despite the cold weather there wasn't a single complaint! The Beamish instructors mentioned how impressed they were with everyone's positive attitude throughout the day. A few students overcame fears on the high ropes, and Mr Bourn said he really enjoyed seeing students encouraging each other. "The event made me realise what a fantastic prefect team we have in the lower school," he continued. "Good to see some friendly competition between our students" see more photos [here](#).

Cycle of success for Year 7 student



Congratulations to budding cycle champion Arran Cairns (Year 7), who has been pedalling his way to victory in regional competitions. Arran worked very hard last cycle cross season to compete in 13 regional races and ultimately win the CXNE Boys' Under 12s' Championship. As a result of his win and the success of two other boys in Derwentside Cycling Club, they also won the Youth Team prize for the Club. We look forward to hearing more news of his success in the saddle.

Trampoline Success



Emmanuel's trampolinists have been jumping their way to success in several competitions recently. Congratulations to Aidan Sung (Year 9), who represented the College at the National Schools Trampoline Finals in Birmingham and finished sixth in the Year 7-9 Elite category. The NDP Trampoline and Double Mini Trampoline Competition took place in Penrith last weekend and a number of our students competed. Honey Thompson (Year 7), Isabel Slater (Year 10) and Nikita (Year 12) and Aidan Sung all took part in what was a highly competitive event. Congratulations to Nikita who came third in NDP Level 6 trampoline, Honey who finished second in NDP Level 1 13+ trampoline, and Isabel who came first in NDP Level 1 13+ DMT. Honey and Isabel will now compete in the finals in Birmingham this June; we wish them all the best.

Update on Make a Difference Week



We were encouraged to see lots of students supporting our fundraising events during Make a Difference Week. The donated food items went to Gateshead Foodbank, where they were gratefully received. Toiletries and sponge puddings were particularly welcomed, as they were in short supply. Thanks to students for donating and buying books and stationery, donating and buying cakes, and donating 'virtual cookies' in the restaurants. Well done to Andrew Richardson (Year 7) who guessed the correct number of chocolate eggs in the Easter Egg competition. In total we raised £170.41 for College charities. Many thanks to everyone for their efforts.

Victories at Durham Cross-Country Championships



The winning teams from each Durham County district came together to compete for the title of County Champions at a huge event which we hosted last Friday. Dozens of our sixth formers gave up their time to officiate and marshal the event, ensuring students from around the County were able to make the most of their talents. It was a record turn-out for the event with over 300 runners in attendance from 18 different schools. Our Year 7 girls took fourth place and our senior girls were crowned county champions.

Adventure on the rapids of the River Ure



With the canoe visit to Scotland's Lochs being cancelled due to high winds, our intrepid adventurers headed for Yorkshire and the River Ure. A wild campsite on the edge of Ripon was their abode for Friday evening, when some gourmet food was cooked on the Trangias, scraps were fed to the neighbouring pigs, and politics and the environment were debated around the camp fire. With a seven-mile paddle to Boroughbridge ahead, a capsizing on the first rapid was not a good start on Saturday morning. However, the boys soon improved and negotiated rapids, a weir and a back-breaking portage around a canal lock before finishing just ahead of the rain.

Year 7 Hockey Tour to Cumbria



On 1 March we took a squad of 16 Year 7 girls to Carlisle, Cumbria for the Year 7 Hockey Tour. The girls played 'A' and 'B' team fixtures against Caldew School, Dalston. Unfortunately, the 'A' team lost a hard-fought match 1-0, but there was a much more positive result for the 'B' team who won their match 2-0. Goal-scorers were Alisha Adil and Zara Dale. The girls then enjoyed an evening meal in Carlisle before staying overnight in the city centre. The girls were an absolute credit to Emmanuel College, both in their general conduct and their effort levels during the hockey matches.

Football Squad on tour



The sixth form Football Squad went on tour in the North of England last weekend. They played against Leeds Grammar School, winning 4-3, thanks to a hat-trick from Max Winthorpe and a goal from Chris Hewitt. The team then played in a tournament at Liverpool College, along with The Grange and Stonyhurst College, drawing one game and losing the other two, with goals from Chris Hewitt (2), Scott Hall and Lewis Chaney. As well as playing football, the boys enjoyed meals on the famous Curry Mile in Manchester and on the docks in Liverpool, as well as taking in Accrington Stanley vs Coventry.

Economists aren't bored by the Financial Times!



According to the FT's Global Education Editor, Emmanuel College is one of the most engaged schools in the FT's Schools Programme, where content and questions relevant to GCSE and A Level study of economics are shared online. Our economists were delighted to be involved in road testing the FT's new board game, sharing their ideas before the launch of the final version later this year.

G Conomics meets the Financial Times



Since September 2017, G Conomics has been collaborating with the FT to produce economics articles and questions for A Level Economics students. G Conomics was delighted to be interviewed by the FT following the recent launch of its own [You Tube channel](#), and keen to share a few thoughts about how the FT can be used most effectively in the curriculum. The professional edit of the video interview will be posted soon on the FT's channel.

Friendly match in unfriendly conditions



On Wednesday afternoon, Miss Routledge took the Year 12/13 Hockey team to Bede Academy for a friendly match. The girls were fantastic throughout and never gave up, even though they had to battle against torrential rain for most of the match. The final score was 1-1: a very good result against a tough Bede side. Player of the match was Kate Sowerby.

Staff vacancies: Learning Support department

We currently have a vacancy in our Learning Support department. For full details and an application form [read more](#)

This week's sports results

Rugby	U18 Rugby 7's – Austin Friars Tournament
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	<p>Emmanuel 25 v 0 Kirby Lonsdale Emmanuel 25 v 0 Lancaster Grammar Emmanuel 14 v 17 Newcastle School For Boys</p> <p>This meant Emmanuel went into the plate finals</p> <p>Emmanuel 0 v 24 Ermysted's Grammar Emmanuel 7 v 22 Austin Friars</p>
Netball	<p>U 14 Tyne and Wear Secondary Schools Netball Tournament</p> <p>Emmanuel 1 v 6 Whickham School Emmanuel 1 v 6 Park View School Emmanuel 3 v 3 Durham School Emmanuel 3 v 2 Kingsmeadow School</p> <p>Emmanuel finished 3rd in their group</p>
Hockey	<p>Sixth Form Friendly Emmanuel 1 v 1 Bede Academy</p> <p>Year 9/10 mixed Team Friendly Emmanuel 0 v 6 Durham School</p>

Coming up ...

Week commencing 11 March 2019

Monday 11 – Friday 15 March

MFL visit to Paris

Monday 11 – Tuesday 12 March

F1 in Schools National at the Airbus Factory in Broughton

Thursday 14 – Friday 15 March

Tomorrow's Engineers National Finals

Monday 11 March

Year 9 Careers talk from NECOP

Year 11 Drama Assessments

Tuesday 12 March

Year 9 Pathways Evening

Year 11 Drama Assessments

Wednesday 13 March

Year 11 Mathematics Trial Exam

Year 11 Visit to see Blood Brothers at Billingham Forum

Thursday 14 March

Year 8 girls HPV Immunisation

Friday 15 March

Outdoor Education – Bushcraft visit

Theatre Company performance of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde

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