



The Emmanuel Eye

We see you and all the amazing things you do!

Spring 2 – Friday 27th March 2026

Dear Emmanuel Families,

We have been thrilled with how well the children have returned back to school this week. From the moment they arrived, the atmosphere around Emmanuel Junior Academy has been wonderfully calm, settled and positive. It has been lovely to see pupils stepping straight back into school life with maturity, enthusiasm and a real sense of belonging.

This week, staff and pupils have been working together on embedding some key routines across school. These routines help all of us to live out “*The Emmanuel Way*”— Be Respectful, Be Courageous, Be Safe. Whether moving around school, entering the hall for worship or lining up at playtimes, these shared expectations help create the warm, purposeful environment we value so highly.

Have a lovely weekend with your families.

Mr Backhouse

An Eye on Upcoming Events for your Diary:

- ✓ Monday 2nd March – School Parliament s20 Food Bank Visit
- ✓ Monday 2nd March – Star of the Day Reward Treat Visit
- ✓ Thursday 5th March – World Book Day
- ✓ w.c 9th March 2026 – British Science Week
- ✓ Wednesday 11th March – Helping Children Develop Healthy Screen Time Habits Workshop – led by FIS – 09:30am

An Eye on Attendance

Class	Attendance
Y3/4 AM – Beautiful Butterflies	91.3%
Y3/4 SB/CJ – Fantastic Foxes	96.1%
Y3/4 HH – Marvellous Meerkats	95.1%
Y5 RC – Powerful Panthers	98.56%
Y5 JH – Amazing Axolotls	95.83%
Y6VA – Determined Dinosaurs	94.2%

Our whole school attendance this week is: **94.65%**

The class with the highest attendance and winning extra playtime this week and extra football time, are **Y5RC** with **98.56%** - well done!

IF YOUR CHILD'S ATTENDANCE DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR...	YOUR CHILD WOULD HAVE LOST APPROXIMATELY...	OR THEY WOULD HAVE MISSED APPROXIMATELY...
WAS 95%	9 DAYS FROM SCHOOL	50 LESSONS
WAS 90%	19 DAYS FROM SCHOOL	100 LESSONS
WAS 85%	29 DAYS FROM SCHOOL	150 LESSONS
WAS 80%	38 DAYS FROM SCHOOL	200 LESSONS
WAS 75%	48 DAYS FROM SCHOOL	250 LESSONS



An Eye on Success...Going for Gold!

A huge well done to our amazing **Gold Award** winners this week:

Y3/4 AM – Beautiful Butterflies	Ethan	<i>For following our school rule of “being in the right place at the right time”.</i>
Y3/4 SB/CJ – Fantastic Foxes	Henry	<i>For aiming high in all his learning.</i>
Y3/4 HH – Marvellous Meerkats	Oscar	<i>For sensibly managing distractions and following instructions.</i>
Y5 RC – Powerful Panthers	Victor	<i>For making super progress in his swimming lessons.</i>
Y5 JH – Amazing Axolotls	Leo	<i>For improving his attitude to learning and completing some super learning.</i>
Y6VA – Determined Dinosaurs	Bobby	<i>For producing super learning and working hard.</i>

As well as receiving their “**Gold Award**” time, they will also have the chance to sit on the benches during Collective Worship next week.

The “Emmanuel Way” Class of the Week:

The class who had the highest percentage of pupils remaining on the Blue Door this week are the **Amazing Axolotls** with **80%** of the children showing our “Emmanuel Way”. This class will get to sit on the benches in Collective Worship next week.

Gold Readers

Congratulations to our **Gold Readers** this week: Jessica, Lewy, Richard, Raina, Mia and Connie.

They will get the chance to choose a reading book to keep from our donated book shelves.

Our value this term in collective worship is **Forgiveness**. This week, we talked about how forgiving someone is like wiping the slate clean so we can start again with kindness and peace.

Here are a few simple reflection questions you might like to use at home:

- *How does it feel to be forgiven?*
- *Why is forgiveness important?*
- *What small ways can we show forgiveness each day?*

Forgiveness is...

Forgetting the hurts
Offering a new beginning
Restoring a friendship
Given and received
Identifying responsibility
Valuing the truth
Ending an argument
Not holding a grudge
Encouraging honesty
Saying sorry
Starting again



An Eye on Out-of-School Achievements

SPOT LIGHT

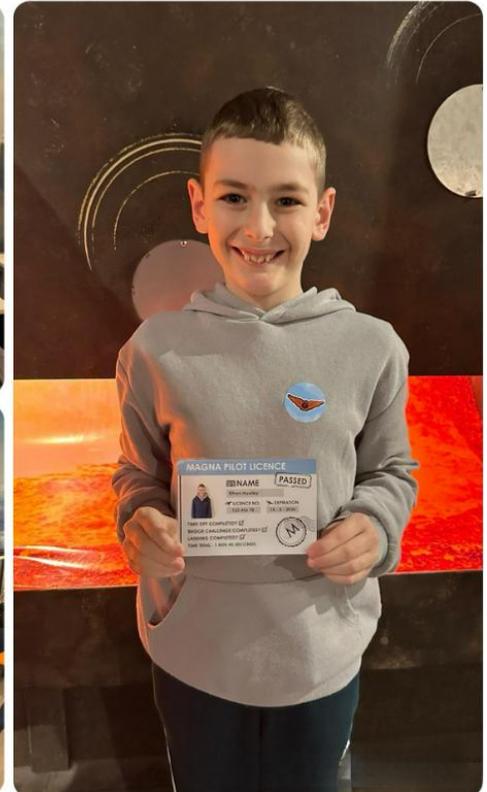
We love seeing our pupils shine beyond the classroom! Take a look at some of the incredible **Out-of-School Achievements** that have taken place in our community over the past week.



Tilly had an amazing start to the holidays! She visited a working farm during lambing season, where she fed two lambs and even saw two being born. It was a magical experience and she hasn't stopped talking about it since. She's already excited to go back next year!



Mia has been recognised for her fantastic commitment to St John Ambulance. She received awards for the training she has completed, as well as achieving both her Badger Bronze and Silver Awards. A brilliant achievement - well done, Mia!



Ethan had a brilliant time at Magna's *Febru-air-y* event over half term. He took part in the Newton Flight School simulators - used to train real pilots - where he learnt how to take off, land safely and fly under a bridge. He also completed a jet plane time trial in 1 minute 45 seconds and earned his very own 'Pilot Licence'. Fantastic work, Ethan!