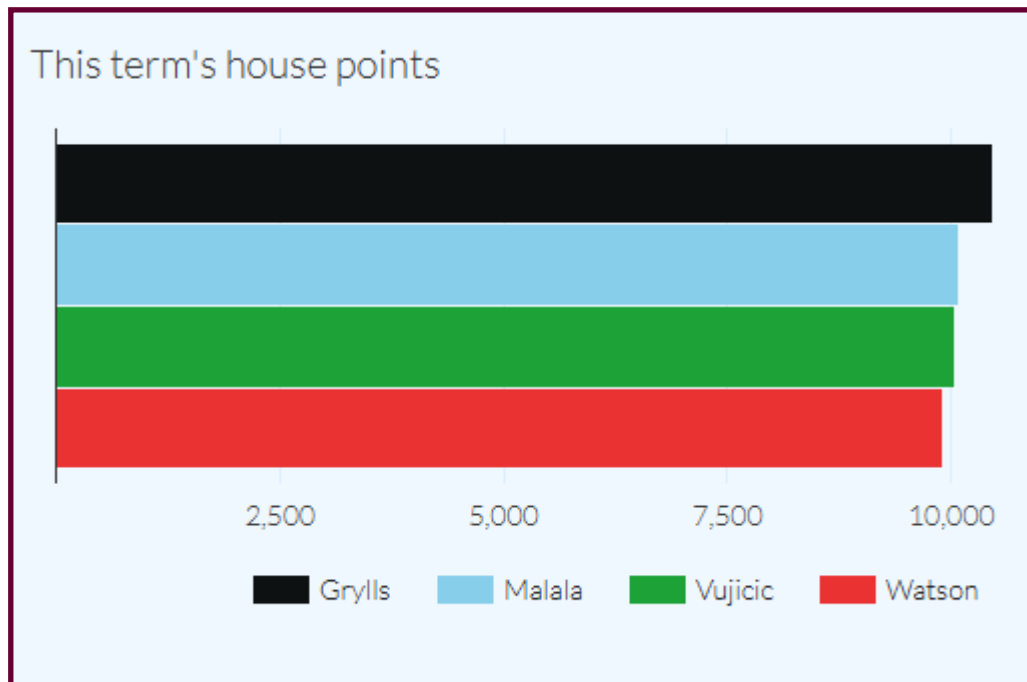


Dear Parents/Carers,

Good afternoon and welcome to this week's parent bulletin.

## House News



We take a look at the term candle credits this week and well done to Grylls who are currently in the lead from Malala who narrowly hold second place. In worship on Monday I shared the wealth of amazing rewards in the shop for Summer 2 along with details of the sports days which will give many opportunities for earning more points.

## Year 5

On Thursday, Year 5 took part in a play in a day called 'War and Peace In Ancient Greece' with the lovely Ben from Treehouse Theatre. All the Year 5 pupils did a fantastic job with their roles in the play and gave the staff a good chuckle with their performance. We are so proud of them for stepping out of their comfort zone and really getting stuck in with the day. We also loved seeing the efforts in everyone's costumes!

This day fits in perfectly with the Y5 Humanities curriculum completed in the Autumn term and provides pupils a chance to recall their learning. It also ties in with the work we are doing this term in English around our class test 'Who Let the Gods Out'. We would like to thank the PTFA for funding this amazing day every year and we hope all of the children enjoyed themselves!





This week in Art Year 5 have produced graphic transfer portraits of themselves looking at Tone. More art work is on the school art Instagram account. @emanuelmiddleschoolart



## Year 6:

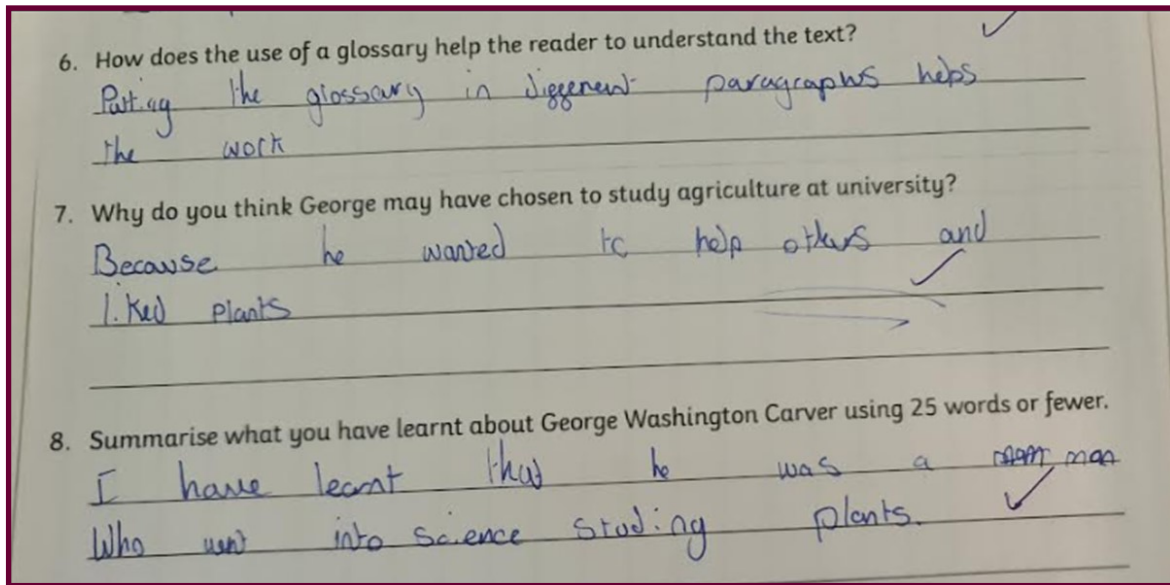
Emmanuel Middle School has been selected for a KS2 Writing Moderation visit after half term. This is a statutory requirement for all schools – roughly every four years – to check the accuracy of our judgements.

Post SATS week, we organise the children into focused groups in order to help them achieve the next standard in their writing. We have created a number of stimuli that help them to achieve all of the writing objectives set by the Standards and Testing Agency (STA).

The children are currently writing narrative pieces about 'Alma' or 'Francis'. These examples will help them demonstrate dialogue in narratives and describe settings, characters and atmosphere. We will also be moving on to non-fiction pieces, based on David Attenborough's 'Life on Earth' and 'Mr Brenton's Cycle Adventures', to demonstrate assured and conscious control over levels of formality.



In Science our Year 6 pupils have been learning about George Washington Carver's life and contribution to modern agriculture.



## Year 7

In Maths, the pupils have been working hard solving problems involving distance, speed and time. They have really focussed on the way in which units of speed contain both distance and time units combined and making sure they convert all units to match this - it was a struggle at first but we got there in the end!

Food tech: Beautiful bread!! Year 7 filled the food room and corridors with the sweet smell of baked goods this week. Their skills were honed in this second bread making session of the term to culminate in some magical Pizza making after half term. No need to order out in future!

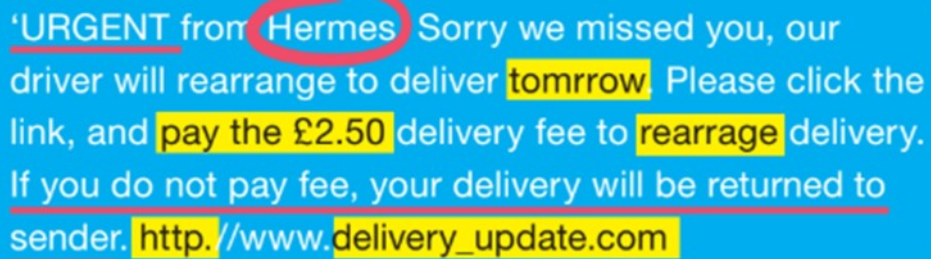


## Year 8

Year 8 have just completed a unit of work called Digital Literacy. This has looked at how to keep themselves (and their money) safe online. We have looked at examples of phishing and smishing (see below.) The main message being- NEVER CLICK ON THE LINK!

We have also discussed online social media communications and how grooming online can lead to child sexual exploitation. This has included how to recognise, respond to and seek help for grooming in different forms and followed on from watching the play Chelsea's Story in the Spring term.

Year 8 also learnt how to distinguish between content which is publicly and privately shared and how to assess and manage risks in relation to gambling and chance-based transactions. These lessons are so important in empowering our pupils to keep themselves safe online.



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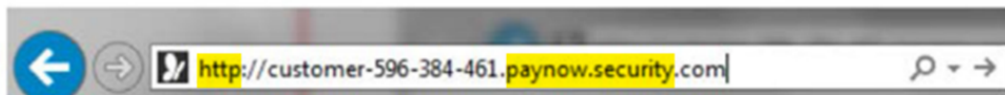
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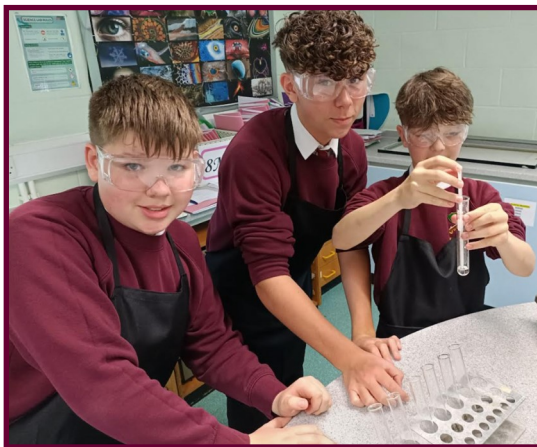


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During their Science lessons this week, our Year 8 pupils have been looking at how to order the reactivity of a series of metals within the Periodic Table. This has involved a series of experiments whereby the children have had to react sample metals with water and hydrochloric acid, as well as heating them in the flame of a Bunsen burner. The reaction of calcium caused eyebrows to be raised!

Well done to all the pupils who conducted themselves safely and maturely during this investigation.



## Sporting News

Twelve children headed out to the Delph in Broadstone this afternoon for a mixed cricket festival in the sun. It was a great afternoon combining drills and matches with both our sides performing really well. It was a non-competitive festival with no winner but our pupils performed to a very high level. Well done to everyone involved.



As the weather warms up, it is wonderful to see so many of our students riding their bikes and scooters to school! However, with more wheels on the pavements and roads, we need to ensure our children are taking personal responsibility for their safety. Lately, there have been a few concerning near misses where students have zoomed past driveways just as cars are leaving driveways, darted across intersections without looking, or have been inconsiderate to other road users. The reality of a collision is something no one wants to experience, and our wider community, from anxious parents to local drivers, understands the devastating consequences a split-second mistake can cause.

We kindly ask parents to reinforce the rules of the road with their children: **always wear a helmet, dismount at busy crossings, and show courtesy to pedestrians by giving them right of way on shared paths.** During today's worship, I will be addressing this with the children. Let's work together to remind our young riders that being responsible and considerate on their wheels keeps everyone safe.

All that is left is to wish everyone a fantastic half term. Remarkably it appears the heatwave is going to match up with the time off school for once so we hope you have plenty of opportunities to get outside before the rain returns! We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 1st June.

Mr Rob Christopher and Mr Alister Barker

# EMS WEEKLY BULLETIN

22nd May 2026

Key dates: May - July 2026 (subject to change):

DATE	EVENT
Friday 22nd May	Break up for half term (finish at 3.20pm) PTFA Dress for your Dream Job Mufti Day
Monday 1st June	Pupils return to school
Thursday 4th June	Year 5 & 6 Parents in to view work (2.45-3.15pm)
Monday 8th June ( <b>new date</b> )	KS3 Sports Day Heats (AM)
Thursday 11th June	KS2 Sports Day Heats and Potted Sports (AM)
Wednesday 17th June	Sports Day Finals (AM)
Friday 26th June	Transfer Day
Tuesday 30th June - 3rd July	Year 6 Activities Week
Tuesday 7th July	Year 8 Bournemouth University Visit
Friday 10th July	PTFA Summer Fair
Monday 13th - Friday 17th July	Year 8 Activities Week
Monday 20th July	Year 6 and 8 Awards Evening - Verwood Hub
Wednesday 22nd July	Last day of term (finish at 3.20pm)

**FREE ACCESS WITH SCHOOL CODE:**

**EV180225**



## June 2026 Timetable

All regular sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long

**£24 each or FREE with School Membership**

Book online at [facefamilyadvice.co.uk](http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)

Recordings available for 48 hours

Understanding Anger	1 June 10am
School Anxiety	1 June 7pm
Facing Defiance	2 June 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	2 June 7pm
Anxiety Explained	8 June 10am
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	8 June 7pm
Introduction to OCD	9 June 10am
What is ACT?	9 June 7pm
Decreasing Depression	15 June 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	15 June 7pm
Understanding the Teenage Brain	16 June 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	16 June 7pm
Improving Family Communication	22 June 10am
Autism-Improving Communication	22 June 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	23 June 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	23 June 7pm
ADHD and Homework	25 June 7-8pm

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

Visit the PARENTS page of the FACE website ([facefamilyadvice.co.uk](http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)) to view the 16 regular talks for parents.

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**\*\*Note:\*\*** Links to recordings of the talks are available for 48 hours after the session. If you cannot make a live session, book on and then email to request the recording link.

Please avoid booking the FREE sessions for parents, as these are for parents from schools that have not purchased the discount code. The code can only be used for Parent Talks and cannot be shared with parents from different schools. Improper use can result in immediate code cancellation for the whole school.

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Complete at your own pace, cancel anytime.



### **Building Emotional Resilience**

Work through six stages of directed exercises to help your child (and yourself) improve emotional resilience.



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A specific strategy aimed at supporting parents of children aged 5 to 12 with ADHD, ODD or just very challenging behaviour.



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