

Dear Parents,

Great start to the week by celebrating five pupils' achievements made at the weekend. Erin Lush breaking multiple PB's at her recent swimming gala. Erin improved her 100m backstroke by a phenomenal 9 seconds and her 200m freestyle by 10 seconds!

Dan Fullbrook travelled to Malmo for his first International competition playing both singles and doubles badminton as he builds his competition experience. Dan did amazingly well beating a Swedish player in the first round of the boys singles and got knocked out by the No 2 Danish seed. He then went on to reach the quarter finals of the boys doubles. They were finally knocked out by the No 2 seeded pair who went on to win the tournament.

Ben Price completed his first triathlon and Amelia Stewart a 10km run with her mum in Hursley. Syke Wisbey completing the quintet by passing her yellow belt grading in kick-boxing. We are always keen to celebrate our pupils showing our core values in any chosen pursuit.

Last Friday we hosted Brian Hooper who last visited last October as out-reach work on behalf of the Wimborne Academy Trust. It was a fantastic opportunity for someone external to EMS to see the impact of our hard work over the past 12 months. He was impressed by our pupils' engagement in lessons, their excellent work and the high expectations of staff. A huge well done to everyone at EMS.

Year 5 and 8 have set the standard in Worship for the past two weeks; both earning extra time at the end of lunch for their endeavours. Year 6 and 7 have some work to do to match them. This can begin on Monday when we hold our first Hymn practice of the year.

On Tuesday we hold our Open Day and Evening. The enthusiasm of the pupils to be involved and support across various departments is much appreciated and further evidence of how they value their school. We are all looking forward to show-casing our amazing school.

A plea to all parents whose children scoot or ride to school. All children should wear helmets. This week alone we have received higher than usual feedback about near misses, lack of safety equipment and a lack of thought for other people travelling to and from school. As we officially move into Autumn this weekend, I would also encourage you to ensure your child has clothing and lights that makes them easily visible. As a school we have and continue to speak to our pupils about their responsibilities when travelling to and from school. We also run the Bikeability courses, Level 1 and 2 for pupils. I strongly urge all parents to consider this.

This week we promoted our Emmanuel's Got Talent competition as we prepare to launch our first House assemblies of the academic year. Thanks to Mrs Binning and Mrs Williams for launching this and I look forward to sharing the progress and information in the coming months.

The Art department are also asking for donations of empty plastic bottles with lids (the ones with the rounded bottom) to be used for a Poppy installation the Art department are working on.

Date for the diary: Meet the Tutor evening - Tuesday 9th October. 3.45pm-7pm. Information on how to book an appointment with your child's tutor will be sent out via ParentMail next week.

Have a great weekend,

Rob Christopher

A WEEK IN PICTURES - EMMANUEL'S FAMOUS FIVE



Erin Lush



Skye Wisbey



Ben Price



Dan Fullbrook



Amelia Stewart