

# Communicate Chronicles

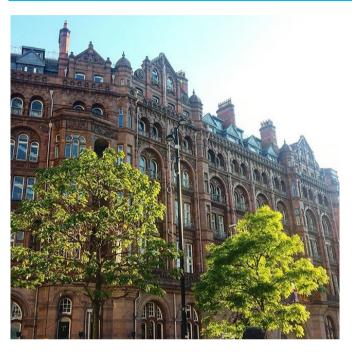
INTERNATIONAL EFL SCHOOL

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## Welcome to our Newsletter!

Contributions from all of you are very welcome. Please speak to your teacher or our Academic Manager David if you wish to take part in the next issue. It is a fantastic opportunity to show off your English skills and the experience may enhance your CV.

## Manchester in the sun



Manchester is renowned for rain and not for sun, so these past few weeks of wonderful weather have been a real treat for us all. Just look how beautiful the city looks in the sun!



On the left is the Midland Hotel looking bright on a sunny afternoon, and below is a great photo of Yazeid's showing some wildlife soaking up the sun in the city centre. The bottom photo was taken on a recent Smile Adventures trip to Ladybower Reservoir in South-East Manchester. As part of the Peak District, it is the perfect place to take a stroll and enjoy the best that Manchester has to offer on a lovely Summer's day. Look how calm the water is – it's like glass!



Do you like taking photos? This is your chance to show your photos in the monthly newspaper! Please send us your photos by email to

office@communicateschool.co.uk. You can also send your photos via WhatsApp or tag us on Instagram @communicateschool.

### Interview

#### Interview with your Director of Studies David

Why did you choose to work become an EFL teacher?
Because I wanted to travel and the prospect of combining this with interesting work was really attractive to me.

#### What were you like in school?

I'd say I was pretty clever, I was Head Boy. I tried to get away with as much as possible but generally I did what I needed to do.

### What do you like to do outside of work?

I like watching football and cricket, and I like learning Spanish. I also dabble in French and Portuguese, and love looking after my son.

#### Who is your role model and why?

Ernest Hemingway because he lived the life that I have always been a bit too scared to try. He spent time working as a journalist in Spain and France, and he volunteered to drive ambulances in Italy during WWI. Not only that, he was a Nobel prize winner.



How would your best friend describe you? Argumentative and sarcastic but calm in stressful situations.

What would your autobiography be called? You Can Die a Hero or Live Long Enough to Become a Director of Studies

If you could describe Communicate in 3 words, what would they be? Friendly, supportive, fun.

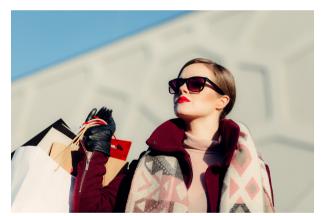
## Film Review

#### Pretty Woman, 1990

In Los Angeles for business, Edward Lewis (a wealthy, workaholic businessman) runs away from a posh party tired of the atmosphere and the people, neither of them matching his inner beliefs or personality. He gets lost on his way back to the hotel and comes across Vivianne, a prostitute, who guides him to his hotel.

Intrigued and amused by her ways and her conversation he pays her for the night, more for her company than for anything else. He spends the week with her: she accompanies him to events that he needs to be seen at, and to create contacts for his business.





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Vivianne is suddenly in a magical and luxurious world and needs to learn to act like a lady, helped by Edward and the hotel manager, who are, like us viewers, moved and softened by her genuine personality.

These two characters are both in a place they are not made for. This film shows that love can help us discover our inner self and to radically transform our lives. The movie not only deals with being stuck in a situation that doesn't correspond to our true selves, but also what it takes to be free and dare to change. It is also a funny comedy criticising the existence of etiquettes, prejudices and clichés.

# What have our students been doing recently?



Elham and Gabrielle at one of the memorial trees

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May marked one year since the terror attack at Manchester Arena after an Ariana Grande concert. In memory of those killed and injured, lots of our students went down to the memorial trees and wrote a message to the families of the victims, not just of the Manchester attack but to the victims and families of terror in all countries over the world. We also paid our respects at St Ann's Square.

Students learned different phrases and vocabulary to give condolences which helped them to write their messages to put on the trees.

Can you fill in the gaps below? Use the words in the box to help you. We use these phrases in English to help support people during sad times, for example if someone is ill or has died:

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- I'm here if you want to \_\_\_\_\_.
- It must be so \_\_\_\_\_.
- I'm thinking \_\_\_\_\_ you.

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# How can you learn about history in Manchester?

As everyone knows, Manchester is a historical and cosmopolitan city. There are abundant cultures here which are a must-see.

If you are interested in science, the Museum of Science and Industry cannot be missed. The large museum is devoted to the development of science, technology, and industry. You can experience the classic steam train and find a variety of activities for children.





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If you are passionate about military culture, the Imperial War Museum is a great place to visit. The building is impressive. The exhibition displays the whole story of the Second World War.

You might feel sad or inspired by humanity. The museum's cafe has nice scenery and reasonable prices.

By Peggy and Seonghyun

## Student of the Month

Student of the Month for June was Seonghyun.

His teacher Niki said "he's a great student and a great guy. He's friendly, dedicated, and always offers a helping hand if others students need it. He's a pleasure to have in the classroom and has improved immensely since he arrived."

Congratulations Seonghyun! We wish you all the best and hope you've had a great time at Communicate!



## Social activities



Have you looked at our social activities calendar for the next few weeks?

We have lots of new and improved social activities so you can make the most of your free time in Manchester, such as visits to Old Trafford football stadium. traditional cafes and city museums. At the weekend, you can explore cities such as Liverpool, York and Chester together with Smile Adventures

## **Useful Info**



Do you know who to contact when:

... you have an emergency and need to contact the school out of hours?

Call our emergency number 07482660030

... you have a problem with accommodation?

Contact Federica at the reception

... you want to write an article for the school newsletter?

Speak to your teacher or the Academic Manager David

... you have a new phone number or new address? Email the new details to

office@communicateschool.co.uk

... you need help with a personal issue or have a complaint?

Speak to the Office Manager Virginia

... you missed a class and you want to know about Contact one of your classmates or if not possible, homework?

... you want to change your timetable?

Speak to the Academic Manager David

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