

Emneth Academy

Message from the Academy

Dear Parents,

At the time of writing we are moving to a brave new world in terms of managing and living with Coronavirus. We now have very limited measures and rely heavily on good hand hygiene and parents managing illness sensibly. It remains to be seen, how the changes in law will affect us, however, please be aware that the guidance is still in place, to isolate if you have symptoms of, or a confirmed case of the virus. Thank you for your continued support in keeping everyone safe and well.

The changes mentioned, mean that we can more confidently go into re-opening school clubs and activities. Our famous Top 20! Is getting off the ground too and we are looking forward to the trip to Skegness in May, with Year 3 and 4.

During a recent learning walk, I was really encouraged by the positive changes I saw across the school. Most children are responding well to our teaching and interventions and we hope that you had a useful discussion with your child's class teacher last week – these are so important in ensuring your child's success. One thing that came from our recent discussions is that parents are not always sure about how we use phonics in school to assist with decoding. To help this, I will be sending out a parents update to phonics very soon, along with a glossary of terms. If there are any other ways in which we can help you to help your child at home, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Take care, Elaine Huntington, Principal

Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to come into school to read with our children. If you think this is something you can help with, please let us know, we can arrange for you to come and complete a DBS. Help in school is very much appreciated.

Those children that read regularly at home, also go on to achieve better in all better in other subjects.

After School Clubs

Letters have been sent out for the After School Clubs we have for children, if the club your child has requested and is over subscribes, we will pop them on the waiting list.

Dates for your diary

3rd March World Book

3rd March World Book day lunch Please remember to pre-order

> 18th March Comic Relief

1st April 2022 Last day at School

> 20th April 2022 INSET day

21st April 2022 Children back in school

21st April Year R, Height, Weight, Hearing and Vision check – Letter to follow

> 2nd May 2022 Bank Holiday

w/c 9th May 2022 Year 6 SATS

16th-18th May 2022 Year 3 and 4 Residential

30th May – 3rd June 2022 Half term

> 22nd July 2022 Last day at School

5th September 2022 Children back in school



Did you know?

Shakespeare invented more than 1,700 words.

Shakespeare wrote some of the most beloved and revered pieces of literature the world has ever known, but in order to craft his plays and poems, he sometimes resorted to making up his own words. In fact, The Bard is said to have come up with <u>more than 1,700 words</u> including moonbeam, laughable, eyeball, bump, puking, champion, bedroom, excitement, and zany

Comic Relief

18th March. We will be holding a 'Dance-A-Thon' to raise money for Comic Relief.

Child are able to come into school wearing outrageous' sports clothes. Voluntary contributions to be collected in by class teachers.



Academy Council

If you wish to contact our Chair of the Academy Council, you can do this via the School Office.



Thank you Morrisons for your kind donation of books this week.

Attendance

There are 190 school days per year, leaving 175 free for other activities. Please do not allow your child to miss important days of learning unless it is absolutely necessary. Our aim this year is to exceed 97% attendance. Our attendance procedures can be found on our website.

Please be aware that the local authority may fine for unauthorised leave.

Attendance is an important part of a child's learning. We monitor attendance regularly in the Academy and follow Government guidance.

February Attendance 91.26% Year to date attendance 93.2% Can we please ask that children arrive on time? Late arrivals will cause disruption in the class. Many thanks.

Class R	88%
Class 1	88%
Class 2	94%
Class 3	90%
Class 4	95%
Class 5	91%
Class 6	90%

Well done class 4 for your attendance during February !