



Emneth Academy

Newsletter
January 2023



Dear Parents,

A new year, a new term and new opportunities.

We are making the most of our school values this term and really putting a focus on these things that we care about: Enjoyment, Motivation, New opportunities, Expectations, Tolerance and Hard work. You will hopefully know that the first letter of each of these spells out EMNETH and are our driving forces.

This term we have made some additions to our reward systems to motivate everyone into being the best they can be: house points being collected weekly in assembly with weekly treats, work of the week, attendance totals weekly and will be using a Golden Book, to put in names and work from pupils who are praised for exceptional work. This will be related to the pupils' previous best and we will do our best to let you know at home if your child gets into the book. 😊

'News in brief' items below for you:

Dojo – please use this to keep in touch with class teaching staff for messages; any specific issues should be done via private message to the teacher, rather than on the class forum. The class page is designed to be positive and a sharing of what is going on.

Reading at home: Please continue to read with your children. We have found this has tailed off a little – let us know in the reading record book if you have read and certainly remind your child to change their reading book whenever they need to.

New times: New school opening times have worked really well this term – thank you so much for your support with this.

Parent consultations – As well as 1-1 time for you and the class teacher, there will be an open session for parents: questionnaires, think bubbles, feedback sheets, knowledge organisers on offer to share what we are doing at the moment and ask for your input. Parents in class and class assembly dates will be out soon. Thank you for your on-going support for our lovely school,
Keep warm and safe! Elaine Huntington

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.

December Attendance 84 %

Year to date attendance 93.5%

Can we please ask that children arrive on time?

Late arrivals will cause disruption in class. Many thanks.

Class R	82%
Class 1	76.6%
Class 2	83.1%
Class 3	87.9%
Class 4	91%
Class 5	88%
Class 6	84%

Well done class 4 for your attendance during December !

Dates for your diary

JANUARY	
3 rd Jan	INSET day
4 th Jan	Children back in school
16 th Jan	Teachers will contact on Dojo re Parent Consultation appointments during this week
17 th Jan	Cluster Football Competition
19 th Jan	Change to Menu – Fishy Thursday!!!!
20 th Jan	Change to Menu – Around the World – Chinese – please see attached poster
FEBRUARY	
1 st Feb	On line safety meeting for parents 5.00 pm
2 nd Feb	Active Kids – Year 1
6 th Feb	Parent Consultations 3.30 – 5.30
8 th Feb	Parent Consultations 3.30 – 7.00
9 th Feb	Parent Consultations Year 3 3.30 – 5.30
13 th – 16 th Feb	Half term
23 rd Feb	Change to Menu – Rainbow Bright Lunch – please see attached poster
MARCH	
2 nd March	World Book Day
13 th March	Year 3 and 4 parents invited into class at 2.30
14 th March	Year R parents invited into class at 2.30
15 th March	Year 5 and 6 parents invited into class at 2.30
16 th March	Year 1 and 2 parents invited into class at 2.30
16 th March	Year 5 Gressenhall Trip
17 th March	Sports relief/comic relief
28 th March	Boogie Bounce – Whole school
31 st March	Last day at school
APRIL	
17 th April	INSET DAY
27 th April	Year 4 Bikability

Attendance

With all the illness's going around in December, the children's attendance in school was very low. Now that we are back, hopefully the children are all fit and well after their Christmas break and we can continue with some fantastic learning in class.

Aspens Catering

After the first term in using Aspens Catering, I must say, as staff we are impressed with their food. If the staff order it, you know it's good 😊 The children have hot and cold choices daily. If you child hasn't tried the lunches yet, please encourage them to give them a try.

Here is the link to go onto the website if you haven't yet had a look

<https://select.aspens-services.com/>

They are looking at changing the menu after February half term ready for the spring and summer. We will send this out as soon as it is available.

Meals are £2.50 per day which are payable on their website. Meals are also ordered by parents on the site, so you can keep an eye on what your children are eating each day.

FOSA UPDATE

FOSA are considering an alternative date for the disco to take place, due to the Christmas Disco being cancelled. – More information to follow.

They are currently planning some events running up to Easter. We will make aware as soon as things have been arranged.

Thank you for your continued support