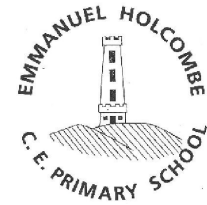


Emmanuel Holcombe CE Primary School



Growing and learning through faith, family and friendship.

January 2024

A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Welcome back to the Spring Term! We hope that you have been able to enjoy the Christmas break and we wish you all a happy, peaceful and healthy New Year.

We would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to everybody for their support and help last term.

Please ensure that your child has a named winter coat in school every day and when necessary, gloves and hats. The children play out in all weathers.



STAFF CHANGES

We said goodbye to Mrs Benson (TA—Willow Class) and Mrs Cook (Kitchen staff) at the end of last term and we wish them all the best for the future. We would like to extend a warm welcome to Mrs Bisson and we wish her well in her new role as Beech Class teacher.

LATENESS

It is very important for all children to attend school every day and to arrive on time.

- The school gate opens at 8.45am .
- The start time for children is between 8.45am and 8.55am
- There are staff members in every class to welcome the children and start them with learning activities ranging from reading, handwriting, spelling, times tables and reviewing previous learning. It is crucial that pupils access this learning.
- Lessons start promptly after registration at 8.55am.
- Please note that any child arriving after 8:55am must enter the building via the school office and is marked late.

Not only does lateness lead to a challenging start to the day for your child, arrival after 9.15am is considered half a day's absence. All lateness/attendance is recorded and monitored by the school and Bury Local Authority.

OPEN DAY

We will be holding an Open Day for all parents, Grandparents and prospective parents on Tuesday 9th January. This is an opportunity for you to come and see the school in action and see what the children are learning. You will be given a guided tour by a member of Year 6.

We are offering two drop -in sessions: 9:30 – 11:30am

(no appointment necessary) 1:30 – 3:00pm

Please come to see us. We'd love to see you and show off our school!

PARENT'S FORUM

All parents are warmly invited to our monthly parent forum meetings. We meet every half term and the agenda is set by parents. It is a very relaxed format, so please come along and join us!

The next meeting is Tuesday 13th Feb 2024 at 2:30pm in the school hall.

CELEBRATION SUNDAY

Our annual church service, Celebration Sunday, which involves the whole school will take place on **Sunday 11th February at 11:00am**. This service is a long established tradition and brings the church and the school together in celebration of our school. If you are unable to attend, please inform your child's class teacher via Seesaw.

Each class leads a different part of the service and all families are encouraged to join us for this important event. **Please make a note of this date in your diary.**

The 'Year at a Glance'

2023-24

Below are dates that have been booked for the next academic year. **New dates will be added to monthly newsletters in RED.**

2024

Tuesday 9 th January	OPEN DAY
Wednesday 24 th January	6.00pm: SATs information evening for Year 6 parents
Friday 26 th January	9.00am Family Assembly
Thursday 1 st February	9.00am PTA meeting in school – planning meeting for Valentines Disco
Thursday 8 th February	3.20pm PTA Cake sale and pre-loved uniform sale
Sunday 11 th February	11:00am to 12:00pm Celebration Sunday in Church
Tuesday 13th February	2.30pm Parent Forum
Friday 16 th February	6.15pm – 7.45pm PTA Disco
Friday 16 th February	SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR FEBRUARY HALF TERM
Monday 26 th February	SCHOOL OPENS FOR SPRING TERM
Friday 1 st March	9.00am Family Assembly
Thursday 7 th March	2.00pm onwards: Parents Evening in school for all classes
Friday 22 nd March	9.00am Family Assembly
Thursday 28 th March	2.15pm Easter Service in Church (Maundy Thursday)
Thursday 28 th March	3.20PM SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR EASTER HOLIDAYS
Monday 15 th April	SCHOOL OPENS FOR SUMMER TERM
Thursday 25 th April	9.00am: PTA meeting – Spring Fair planning meeting
Friday 26 th April	9.00am Family Assembly
Monday 6 th May	BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY
WC Monday 13 th May	Year 6 SATs Week
Thursday 16 th May	3.20pm PTA Cake and pre-loved uniform sale
Saturday 18 th May	1.00pm – 3.00pm PTA Spring Fair

Monday 20 th May	2.30pm Parent Forum
Tuesday 21 st May	1.30pm Sports Day for Oak, Beech and Willow
Friday 24 th May	9.00am Family Assembly
Friday 24 th May	SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR MAY HALF TERM
Monday 3 rd June	SCHOOL OPENS
Tuesday 11 th June	6.00pm New pre-school and Reception Information Evening
Wednesday 26 th June	Well-being Wednesday
Wednesday 19 th June	Acorns Sports Day in school
TBC	Transition days for Y6
Friday 28 th June	9.00am Family Assembly
TBC	OAK Class End of Year Show
TBC	Year 6 Reward Trip
TBC	Year 6 Leaver's Meal
TBC	Leavers' Service in Church
Thursday 18 th July	2.30pm SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR SUMMER
Friday 19 th July	SCHOOL CLOSED - INSET DAY