

Ethnic Minority Achievement (EMA) Network service - maintained primary schools 2020-21

Service overview

LA maintained primary schools have agreed to fund the work of the EMA Network in 2020-21

To continue to improve outcomes for pupils of Black and minority ethnic heritage a core offer of support will be available to all LA maintained primary schools.

What you can expect

A centrally funded core offer, as detailed below, is available to all LA maintained primary schools.

Through the centrally funded core offer schools can have access to:

- telephone/email support and guidance to individual schools and settings
- two half-day seminars linked to national developments, school practice and advised by local school needs
- one day of consultant support bespoke to each school
- access to the EMA resource centre with a wide range of teaching materials and resources

- EMA staff development meetings (termly)
- EMACo new to role training and bespoke in-school follow up
- EMA support staff new to role training and in-school follow up
- EMA briefing documents with significant local and national updates, links to resources and case studies highlighting good practice within MK schools
- specialist support and guidance on: newly-arrived pupils, asylum seekers and refugees and the hard-to-reach minority ethnic groups as well as assessment
- dedicated guidance on British Values and SMSC
- a select range of CPD courses
- access to the EMA website with linked documents and guidance
- up-dates through WhatsApp and the EMA Facebook page
- linking of mainstream and supplementary schools (faith, academic, language, culture, and leisure)

The EMA staff are experienced in supporting pupils of Black and minority ethnic (BME) heritage, including those who are learning English as an additional language (EAL), who are newly-arrived or are asylum seekers or refugees, as well as pupils of Gypsy, Roma and Traveller origin. EMA staff have up-to-date skills and knowledge to act as experts for settings and schools. They draw on the expertise of multiple providers in addressing schools' needs. The team interprets and shares local and national initiatives which are aimed at closing attainment gaps.

Key dates

This service will be available between April 2020 and March 2021.

What we expect from you

So that schools benefit from the work and support of the EMA Network they are encouraged to:

- identify a date in the school's diary for their bespoke EMA consultant visit
- make contact with the EMA Network should they have any concerns or queries with regards to their BME, EAL and Gypsy Roma Traveller pupils
- ensure all communication from the EMA Network is reaching the right people
- attend both of the EMA Network seminars
- make regular use of the EMA Network resource library
- with support from the EMA Network, forge links with supplementary schools
- attend the regular EMA staff development meetings

Cost

There is no charge for any of the above support to LA maintained primary schools.

Maintained primary schools are also able to purchase additional services available through the EMA Network traded offer - See Ethnic Minority Achievement (EMA) Network traded service 2020-21.

For further details or to discuss your requirements please contact:

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Length of agreement and notice period

Although this is not a traded service schools are expected to fulfil service-school agreements so that funding is used effectively.