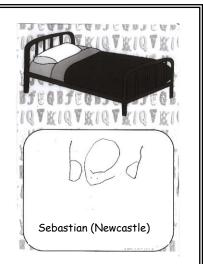


## EMMAVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS



One day there was a little girl called Sophie she lived with her mum she lived in her house.

Sophies eyes nearly popped out of her head when she saw the rainbow Sophie knocked on the door Sophie hid in the cupboard.

Charlie (Scotland)

# Writers of the Month

#### How to keep Edgar calm

Are you annoyed with Edgar ruining Christmas for everyone? If you are follow these instructions.

#### What you need

- Piece of paper and pens
- Yoga mat
- Pile of books
- Box of Christmas puddings

#### What you do

- 1. First you need a bit of paper and some pens so Edgar can draw a picture.
- If that does not work then you need a yoga mat Edgar could try doing some yoga.
- If yoga does not help Edgar could try reading some books.
- Last of all try baking some Christmas puddings just in case Edgar does get excited I hope it works.

Mila (Wales)

#### How to catch a Trol

Are you fed up at trolls munching and crunching at its food and waking you up? Are you tired of fixing your fences because trolls have smashed through? If so do not despair trolls can be defeated. Read on to find out more.

#### You will need

- A powerful digger
- A strong bag
- Drill
- Screws
- Tasty meat
- Water proof net
- Book (optional)

#### What you need to do

First of all find, find the trolls cave. It will look like a pile of stones and burned

Secondly, dig a hole (make sure it can hold the largest troll).

After that, screw the water proof net over the hole.

Next, disguise the net with sticks and leaves.

Then, lower the lump of tasty meat on the net.

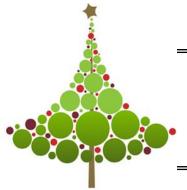
Finally capture the troll and take it to a place far away from your house.

#### Final note of warning

Do not have any food in your pocket or the troll will sniff you out and eat you. Do not have any children around when troll appears because children might scream and trolls attack!

Scott (Africa)

Date: Friday 11th December '20



#### **Christmas**

Christmas carols outside your door,
Holly wreaths hung on walls,
Reindeer on your roofs,
In warm houses you lie in bed,
Santa delivering presents,
Tinsel wrapped around your tree,
Mince pie is a delicious treat,
Angels up in heaven,
Snow falls from the sky.

Sam (Southern Europe)

#### Winter Fox

The fox swoops through the trees A button nose covered in snow Snowflakes drift down The night sky illuminates the eyes Paws walking through crunchy snow.

Warm fire crackles and keeps warm,
As the brisk air holds icy-stares.
The foxes bushy tail brushes past trees.
Hot chocolate ready to drink;
As the Christmas spirit rises,
The foxes spirit shrinks.

Snow sparkles on the ground Kids huddling at the fire When the fox sits alone With nowhere to call home.

But more paws trample in the snow The fox's ears stay prickled-Who's coming down, Not the chimney, But down the path?

Foxes come and huddle up warm Watching the stars shimmer. The night sky turns
As the frosty morning air comes
Now the fox has a family
And doesn't sit alone.
For, it is Christmas day
And the fox has a home.

Ruby (South America)

#### The Chaparral Biome

The Chaparral biome, also known as shrub oak in Spanish, occupies less than five percent of the Earth's surface. This biome is very dry and some people get it confused with the desert biome. Like the desert biome, it has very hot summers and mild, rainy winters. Unlike the desert, the Chaparral gets a great deal of rainfall, it gets ten to seventeen inches on average per year.

#### Location

This biome is found in the worlds five Mediterranean climate zones. The main five are; Mediterranean Basin, California, Central Chile, Southwest Australia, the Cape Province of South Africa and the South-Eastern tip of Vancouver, Canada. Most of the Chaparral biome is found in different parts of each country. As well as, the Mediterranean climate zone, this biome can be found in the Sub Equator zone and even the Tropical zone. Interestingly, the Chaparral is located on the border of the desert biome.

Mary (Oceania)

#### Incredible imaginative writing

The Writing Creatively board outside of my office has some excellent writing from two children in each class displayed on it. Once again, I had the difficult task of selecting a piece of writing from each age group to be included in this week's bulletin. A couple of the selected pieces are appropriate for the festive season and I hope that you enjoy reading them. I think you will agree that it is lovely to see the progression in writing from the very youngest child to the children in Year 6.

Many congratulations to the following children:

Gateshead - Thomas and Ellie

Newcastle - Imogen and Sebastian

England - Oliver and Ayla

Scotland - Charlie and Alayah

Northern Ireland - Millie and Florence

Wales - Mila and Johnjo

Northern Europe - Charlotte and Orla

Southern Europe – Sam and Isobelle

Asia - Lily and Zoe

Africa - Scott and Lola

Antarctica - Kaedem and Layla

Oceania - Mary and Adam

North America - Sophie and Dylan

South America - Ruby and Aliyah

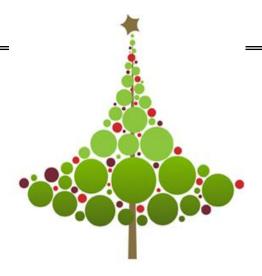




Dear Parents/Carers,

Another super-duper week in school.

As I write this note to you all, I can hear the buzzy excitement of the children eagerly awaiting the arrival of the Christmas dinner that is soon to be delivered to their classrooms. Carols are playing, crackers are laid upon festive napkins and hungry tummies are awaiting a tasty lunch. Thank you to the kitchen staff for the effort that has gone into this year's lunch.



#### The star on top of the tree

Many thanks to Mr. Saddington for coming up with the idea for the star that is now on top of the Crawcrook Christmas tree. Last Friday, we met with some pupils from St. Agnes School who had also been involved in the creation of the star. The children were able to watch Mr. Saddington place their creation on the top of the tree. Although Mr. Saddington is quite tall, he was not quite tall enough to reach the top of the tree (we had definitely underestimated the height of the tree). Thankfully, the owner of the Golden Fryer fish and chip shop kindly loaned us a set of ladders so that the job could be completed.

Mrs. Woods and I received an email from Councillor McCartney, thanking the children for their help in the preparation of the star. She also wanted me to pass on my thanks to Mr. Saddington.

#### Bringing cheer to the community

I know that Miss Rochester will be thanking the children of her class for their amazing cheerleading routine. However, I could not miss personally thanking them. Mrs McKie and I watched the performance from a distance, and we were both reduced to tears as we saw sheer happiness and delight ooze from the class of Northern Europe as they performed the routine. Well done children, you were inspirational.

The recording of the performance can be viewed if you click on to the News section and you will see that it is included in the month of December.

This week, the Year 6 children have been recorded performing the 'True Meaning of Christmas'. The children in school will be watching that recording on Friday afternoon before the virtual Celebration Assembly. The recording will also be posted on the school website for families to watch. All Christmas recordings that we make will be posted in the News section on the website. There should be some interesting videos for you to view.

#### A special announcement

I am thrilled to announce that Miss Lamb will be having a second baby in March 2021; such lovely news to share. The children and parents of Africa have already been told of this special news. Congratulations to Miss Lamb and her partner Dan and also to Matthew, who will be an amazing big brother to his sibling.

As a result of COVID - 19, all expectant women should not be in school in the third trimester of their pregnancy, so Miss Lamb will be working from home in January until her maternity leave begins. Jade Stevens has been recruited to teach in Miss Lamb's absence and we very much look forward to welcoming Jade to the Emmaville team. Jade is a newly qualified teacher who received a First-Class Degree from Durham University in the summer of 2020. She is already familiar with our school and has met the children of Africa.









#### Weekly Prize Draw

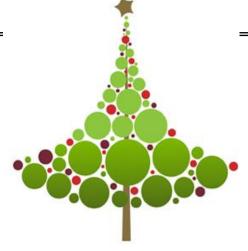
The luck prize winners this week are: Lacey's (Northern Europe) family and Kyle's (Oceania) family.

#### A note of thanks

The parish of St John and the Holy Spirit Church have kindly purchased books for the children.

The book is a rhyming retelling of the Christmas story.

Before the end of term children from Reception to Year 6 will receive their book which they will take home.



On behalf of the pupils and staff, many thanks to the parish of St John and the Holy Spirit Church.

When the weekend arrives, relax and enjoy.

Avril Armstrong



E-M-M-A-V-I-L-E, that's who we are, that's who we be, Emmaville Primary School, are we!

As we weren't able to take part in this year's 'Cheerleading, Trampolining and Gymnastic' event, this year we brought the festival to Emmaville. On Friday 4th December, our wonderful Northern Europe class performed their cheerleading routine as part of GSSP's virtual 'Creative Performance Event'. Their hard work and dedication during our PE sessions in school certainly paid off as their performance was OUTSTANDING, and everyone in school joined virtually to watch as they showcased their routine. Well done to our EMMAVILLIANS for your commitment and positive attitude; you continue to shine through these difficult times. You are all an inspiration and we are incredibly proud of you all.

Life is always better when we're dancing...

Miss Rochester



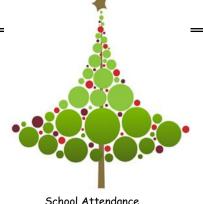
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Class	Total words read	Increase since previous week
Northern Europe	1,382,676	+163,131
Southern Europe	809,098	+110,392
Asia	1,129,675	+113,590
Africa	2,940,435	+1,715,476
Oceania	2,145,718	+313,795
Antarctica	823,265	+27,538
North America	5,200,493	+1,148,273
South America	3,805,732	+327,795



The following children have scored 100% in at least one Accelerated Reader quiz this week - a great achievement!

Class	Children's names	
Northern Europe	Holly, Phoebe, Rowan, Jack, Orla, Sam, Sienna, Logan, Charlotte, Oskar, Adam, Ophelia, Samuel, Ellie, Lydia, Scarlett and Alissa.	
Southern Europe	Ella, Aaron, Riley, Lilah, Sarah, Isabelle, Maisie, Libby, Cara, Archie, Ruby, Jake, Holly, Zac, Gabriel, Luca, James, Charlie, Oliver and Sam.	
Asia	James, Zoe, Edward, Lily, Jonny, Ivy, Matthew, Noah, Roo, Annabel and Georgia.	
Africa	Evie, Alfie, Gracie, Thomas, Hayden, Scott, Lola, Finn, George, Isaac, Myles, Sophia, Amelia, Zachary, Libby, Lydia, Mina, Matthew and Ava.	
Oceania	Layla, Lily, Mark, Taylor, Leo, Alex, Dexter, Archie, Clarke, Kyle and George.	
Antarctica	Ross, George, Sam, Thomas, Amber, Molly, Milo, Christopher and Millie.	
North America	Ethan, Jessica, Saffah, William, Dylan, Harris, Ronin, Kaiden, Ethan, Grace, Aleisha, Erin and Neve.	
South America	Evie, Isaac, Maisey, Bobby and Aryana.	



School Attendance Week Ending 04.12.20

Year 6	
North America	92.9%
South America	96.2%
Year 5	
Antarctica	99.3%
Oceania	97.9%
Year 4	
Africa	96.3%
Asia	97.2%
Year 3	
Northern Europe	100%
Southern Europe	99.2%
Year 2	
Northern Ireland	96.2%
Wales	99.0%
Year 1	
England	98.0%
Scotland	99.3%
EYFS	
Gateshead	99.3%
Newcastle	100%
Crawcrook	96.9%

Congratulations to Northern Europe and Newcastle for 100% attendance last week.

Whole school attendance 97.9%

### Last Week's House Points





Head Teacher - Tabitha (England)
For the most amazing retelling of Jack and the Beanstalk, with her own ideas added to the story.

Simply fantastic.

North America - Aleisha
For excellent work and improvement in English.

South America - Charlie
For concentrating in lessons and trying so hard in everything.

Antarctica - Ozzy

For fantastic improvement in quality of work.

His effort and concentration has been great and it has shown in his quality of work.

Oceania - Abigail
For consistently producing such a high standard of writing.

Africa - Lola For her fantastic effort in English. Well done.

Asia - Rachel

For being an amazing member of Asia class - hardworking, helpful and happy. Well done.

Northern Europe - All of Northern Europe For their amazing cheerleading performance. You blew us all away! Well done.

> Southern Europe - Luca For super effort and improvement in his writing.

Northern Ireland - Willow
For her continuous hard work and effort this week.

Wales - Grace

For having such a strong sense of what is right and wrong.

England - Emily

For being such a great model student to others.

Scotland - Erin

For trying so hard with her sentence writing.

Gateshead - Ellie

For her fab phonics and amazing tidying up!

Newcastle - Mia

For taking such care with her work and our classroom.

Crawcrook Nursery - Cameron For his amazing dancing.

School Cook (Lisa Kirton) - The whole school For making our Christmas lunch day so special.