Date: Friday 20th November '20

EMMAVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL



WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN





Izaac - Nursery



Scarlett - Gateshead



Amber - Wales



Gabriel - Southern Europe



Ross - Antarctica



Charlotte - Northern Europe



Oliver - Oceania



Joseph - Asia



Myles - Africa



Isabelle - Scotland



Emily - Northern Ireland

Our Great Bake Off Winners





Athena - South America



Jessica - North America

Dear Parents/Carers,

From Wednesday of this week, it was lovely to welcome back the reception class children, the children of Wales and the children of Asia who have been self-isolating. It was also delightful to have the children's teachers and teaching assistants back with us too. School has been much quieter without you, and we have missed you all.

Whilst the children have been at home, the teachers have been delighted with the engagement with home learning. Well done to the children for completing their work so diligently, and well done to the parents for supporting them so well.

Children in Need

I would like to congratulate you all for your magnificent bake offs. I think the teachers had a rather tricky job selecting a class winner, in fact we think you are all super bakers. The bake-off competition helped us to raise the grand sum of £353.50 for Children in Need; an excellent amount of money for an extremely worthwhile cause.

Whilst the children of Wales were self-isolating at home, Emily's Mum organised for the children to participate in a duck race, and George won the race. Well done George and also many thanks to Emily's Mum. The activity raised £20 and the parents of the children in Wales have kindly added the money to the school total. The sum raised for Children in Need is therefore £373.50.

English enrichment events

Miss McPherson is determined that children will not miss out on enrichment activities that will enhance their learning. She has therefore arranged the following:

- Tuesday 24th November KS1 pupils will have the opportunity to participate in an event that has been organised by Seven Stories. This will take the form of a digital session with Chitra Soundar who will use the book Sona Sharma and the story of names. Chitra Soundar is an Indian-born British author and storyteller. She has published more than 30 books and gets her inspiration from the rich heritage of Indian epics and folktales.
- Thursday 26th November KS2 pupils will be involved in a digital author session; they will listen to readings from Brand New Boy written by David Almond. David Almond was born in Newcastle and was raised in Felling. He has written a number of books including the popular Skellig. As a child he dreamed of becoming a writer and his passion for writing has never dwindled.
- Wednesday 9th December Pupils in Early Years will be able to join in the fun of a virtual workshop organised by Seven Stories and based around the ever-popular book, Mog's Christmas by Judith Kerr. Judith Kerr was a German-born British writer and illustrator whose books have been enjoyed by children around the world.

Sleigh bells ring, are you listening...

The children in Year 6 have been asking me if Christmas will be happening at Emmaville this year. 'What?' replied I, 'Of course we will be celebrating Christmas, no pandemic will stop us thinking out of the box; let me tell you children we have some great plans in store for you!'

So please note the following dates in your diaries:



Monday 1st December - This is usually the day when the Emmaville Choir would usually join the choir of St. Agnes School to light up the Crawcrook Christmas tree. As this will not be possible this year because of the pandemic, Councillors Kath McCartney and Helen Haran, have asked that a Star for the top of the Crawcrook Christmas tree be made from each school to garnish the tree. After receiving this request, I suggested to Councillor McCartney, that we should light up the streets of Crawcrook with stars made by the children. She thought that this was a good idea, so that is what we are going to do.

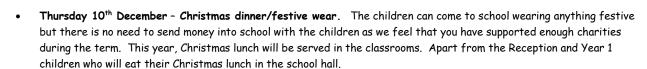


Miss Kenyon has thrown out a challenge to all of our creative children to come up with a design for their own star. The stars must be ready for the 30th November, and there will be an advent calendar prize for the winner of each class Once the stars are finished and have been judged by their class teachers, they will then be either pinned to the perimeter fence of the school or put around the streets of Crawcrook.



Come on parents, help your children to get their thinking caps firmly fitted to their heads so that they design an amazing star that they can be proud of. Remember, light is a symbol of hope, and we certainly need hope in our lives at this moment in time.





Tuesday 15th December - He's behind YOU!

On the afternoon of the 15th, we will be streaming a virtual Pantomime directly to the classrooms for the children to enjoy. I want to keep an element of surprise in store for the children, but I will tell you that the staff have several things 'up their sleeve' that will involve our participation in the performance - 'Oh no they won't,'

'Oh yes they will!'

On the 15th, the children can once again wear their festive outfits. They will also receive their Christmas gifts on this day.

- Thursday 17th December It's Party Time at Emmaville. In each class, throughout school on the afternoon of the 17th, we will be partying on down! Although, the parties will be classroom based, we can assure you that the children will have fun, fun. On the morning of the 17th, the children can arrive at school in their Christmas party clothes. Then at 1.30pm, the whistles will blow, poppers will pop to herald the start of the class parties let the fun commence. You never know who may virtually visit the children in EYFS and KS1; there could be a very special visitation Ho, Ho!
- Still to be arranged An opportunity for the children to watch the Northern Stages' Virtual production of the Emperor's New Clothes.
- Emmaville's take on a different Christmas Nativity Watch this space...

Weekly Prize Draw

The luck prize winners this week are Alfie's (Y1 England) family and Layla and Roxi's (Y5 Antarctica and Y4 Asia) family.

Very best wishes, Avril Armstrong.



Nursery Admissions 2021-2022

Do you have a child that is turning three this year or know someone that has?

We are currently sending out Nursery application forms for children that are eligible to start in either September 2021; January 2022 or April 2022.

Your child is eligible for a nursery place the term after their third birthday.

We offer 30 hour funded places from 9am until 3pm Monday to Friday for children that are eligible. To check eligibility please use the Government website: https://www.gov.uk/30-hours-free-childcare

We also offer 15 hour places in patterns of either mornings, afternoons or two and a half days.

Please telephone school on 0191 4132460 to request an application form.





We just wanted to share some of the work that the children of Asia Class have completed whilst working from home over the last 7 days.

Miss Armstrong and I were blown away by the quantity and quality of the work that they produced. Here are just a few examples of the work in History, Geography and Computing.

Super impressive and a huge thank you to your 'teachers' at home for

Miss Armstrong and Miss Brewster

supporting you throughout. Well done

Why people travel?

There are many reasons why people may travel from one country to another. People may travel to shows or events like the Olympics. People might go on holiday or to see family. They could travel to Spain or France. You may be moving to a new house or going to hospital for special treatment. There are lots of readons to travel.

I went to Ibiza to visit my family. I travelled by bus to Leeds airport, then we flew to Ibiza on a plane. When we got there my cousin Aisha picked us up in her car.

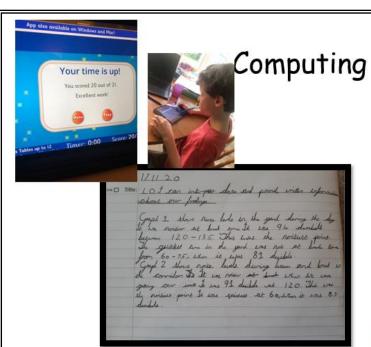


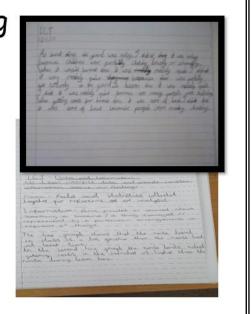
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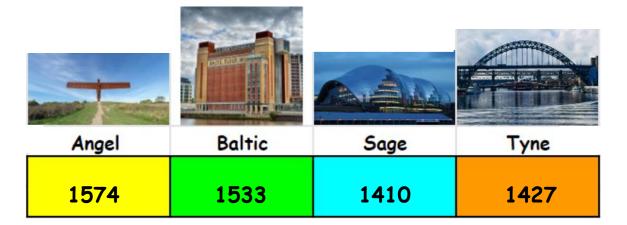
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Last Week's House Points





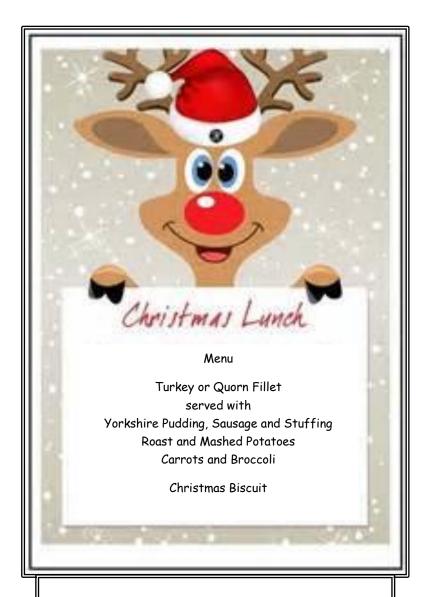
Monday 6th November 2020

Class	Total words read	Increase since previous week
Northern Europe	784,901	+145,148
Southern Europe	380,154	+98,491
Asia	673,631	+25,823
Africa	643,103	+86,370
Oceania	1,332,734	+183,491
Antarctica	568,667	+137,932
North America	2,662,173	+515,059
South America	3,247,841	+395,979



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, Orla, Sam, Sienna, Logan, Charlotte, Dexter, Ophelia,	
·	Samuel, Ellie, Kaysha, Millie, Scarlett, Lydia and Oscar.	
Southern Europe	Ella, Aaron, Ebba, Riley, Lilah, Sarah, Isabelle, Libby, Archie, Ruby,	
*	Jasmine, Zac, Gabriel, Luca, Charlie, Oliver and Sam.	
Asia	Isaiah, Lily, Roxi, Maia, Matthew and George.	
Africa	Evie, Alfie, Gracie, Thomas, Hayden, Lola, Tyler, Evangeline, George, Poppy,	
	Isaac, Myles, Zachary, Mina, Max and Ava.	
Oceania	Justin, Nevaeh, Leo, Alex, Archie and Elijah.	
Antarctica	Chloe, Lewis, Lois, Ross, George, Sam, Jake, Layla, Lily, Emily, Thomas,	
	Amber, Kaedem, Molly, Milo, William, Christopher, Millie, Harry, and	
	Harvey.	
North America	Bobby, Ethan, Saffah, William, Jamie Lee, Dylan, Jessica, Harris, Ronin,	
	Selene, Ethan, Grace, Sophie, Erin and Neve.	
South America	Harry, Maisey and Freddie.	



Christmas lunch this year will be held on Thursday 10th December. If your child would <u>normally have a packed lunch</u> and would like to stay for lunch, please email the school office: <u>emmavilleprimaryschool@gateshead.gov.uk</u> by no later than the morning of Wednesday 25th November. This will enable Lisa to finalise the food orders for the lunch.

The cost of the lunch for children in Y3 - Y6 is £2.50. Please pay for the lunch via the Parentmail app.

Thank you.

Whole school attendance 97.4%

Week Ending 13.11.20

Year 6	
North America	100%
South America	98.1%
Year 5	
Antarctica	95.4%
Oceania	97.9%
Year 4	
Africa	98.1%
Asia	96.7%
Year 3	
Northern Europe	99.3%
Southern Europe	100%
Year 2	
Northern Ireland	96.4%
Wales	00.0%
Year 1	
England	100%
Scotland	95.8%
EYFS	
Gateshead	00.0%
Newcastle	00.0%
Crawcrook	99.6%

Congratulations to
North America,
Southern Europe and England
for 100% attendance last week.

Stars of the Week

Head Teacher - Ivy and Lily (Asia)
For their amazing descriptions of fearsome dragons.

North America - Neve For excellent humour in her excellent writing.

South America - Rhianne
For developing a much more confident and positive attitude.

Antarctica - Layla
For being an absolute star of a pupil at all times.

Oceania - Charlotte
For her determination during our football unit.

Africa - Matthew
For his excellent attitude towards his work. Well done.

Asia - Maia

For her attitude to her home learning since Monday. She has worked daily to complete every task.

Northern Europe - Charlotte
For super listening and always being ready to learn.

Southern Europe - Isabelle For being a kind and helpful learning

Northern Ireland - Lexi For her effort and participation in class.

England - Alfie
For great effort all week.

Scotland - Max
For his amazing work in English and Maths. Well done!

Crawcrook Nursery - Eli
For an amazing act of kindness to one of his friends.

School Cook (Lisa Kirton) - Harris (North America)
For lovely manners at lunchtime.