

# EMMAVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS

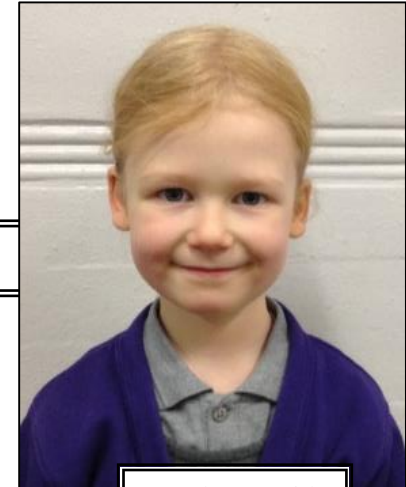
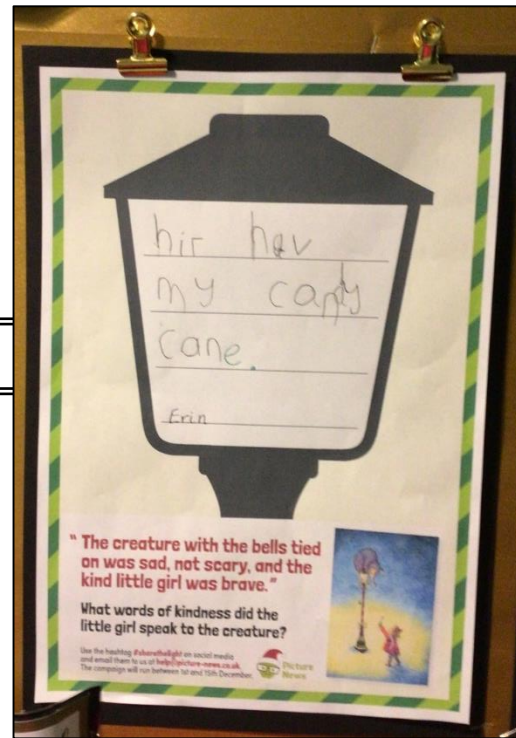
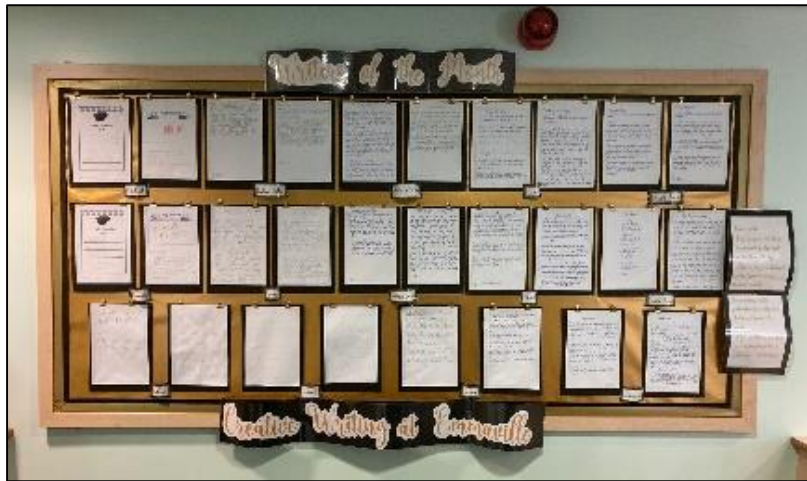


As a way to consolidate their science topic of Earth and Space, Year 5 spent the day at the Life Science Centre in Newcastle last Tuesday. Being the first educational visit in oh so very long, they were all very excited to be going, and they weren't disappointed. The day included a session in one of the Centre's laboratories to explore different aspects of life on the International Space Station, including repairing solar panels with robotic arms, tasting space food and even testing the effectiveness of Maximum Absorbency Garments (otherwise known as space nappies). The children also spent time in the amazing planetarium and explored the Space Zone, where they learnt about rockets, mission control and life in the ISS. There was even enough time to explore a host of puzzles and activities in the Brain Zone, marvel at the models in the Lego Zone and see the Lumiere show, in which they were wowed by light-themed experiments. What a brilliant day out!

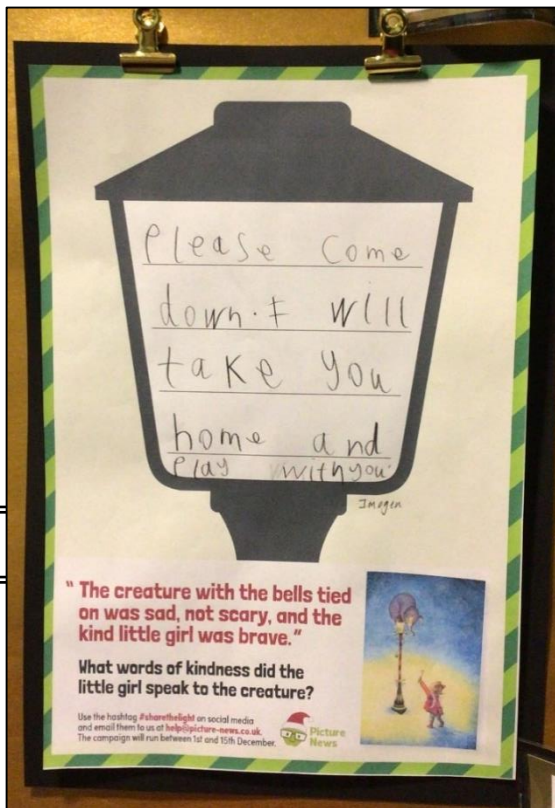
Mr Saddington and Mr Elliott

Date: Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December '21





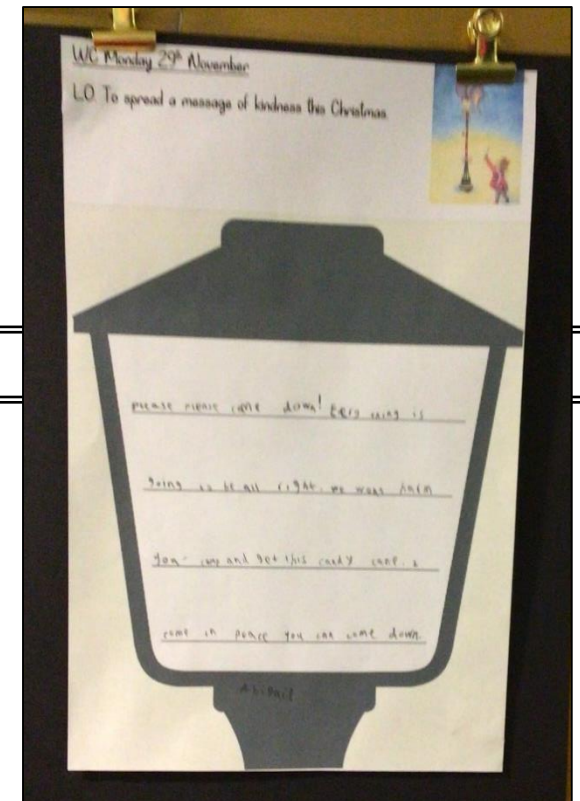
Erin (Newcastle)



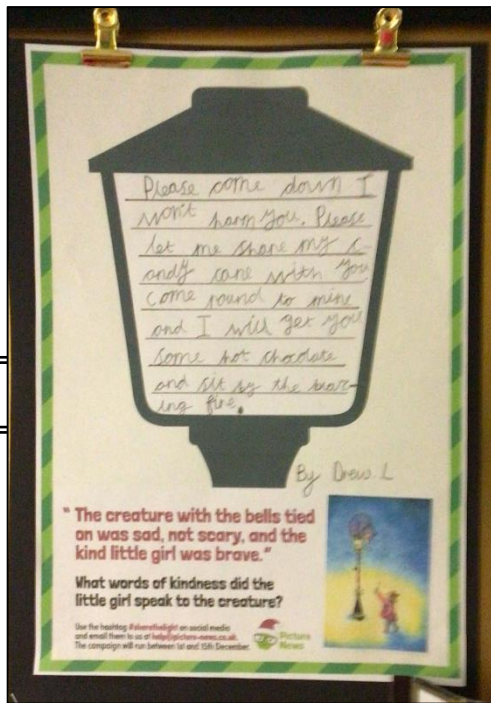
Imogen (Scotland)



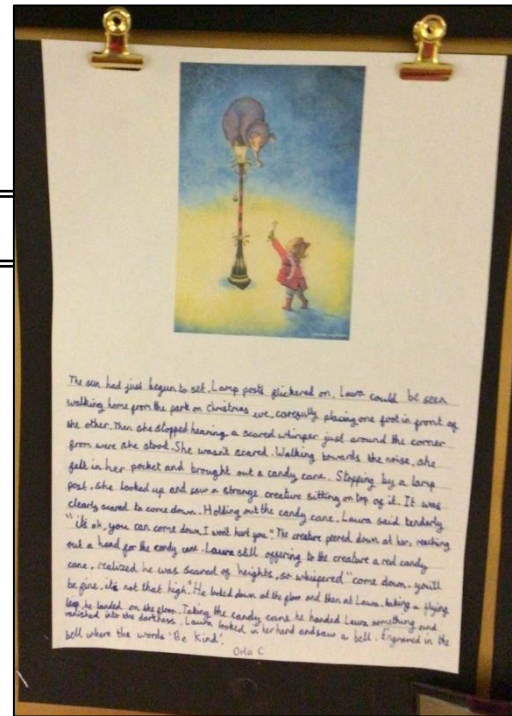
Abigail (Wales)







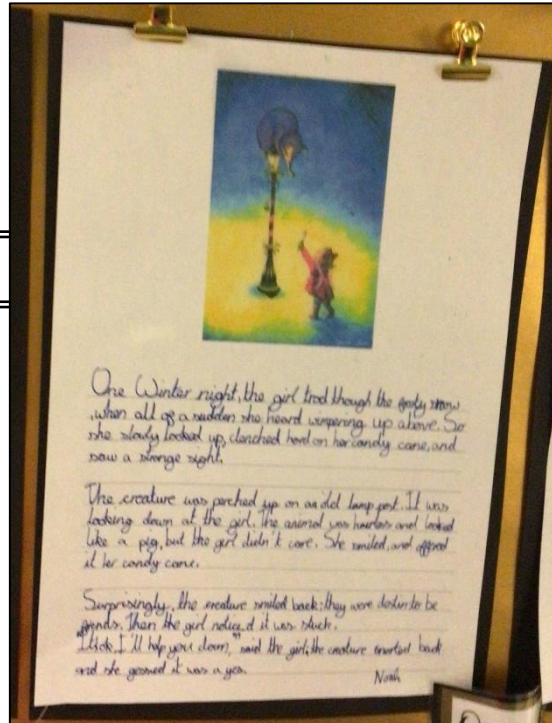
Drew (Northern Europe)



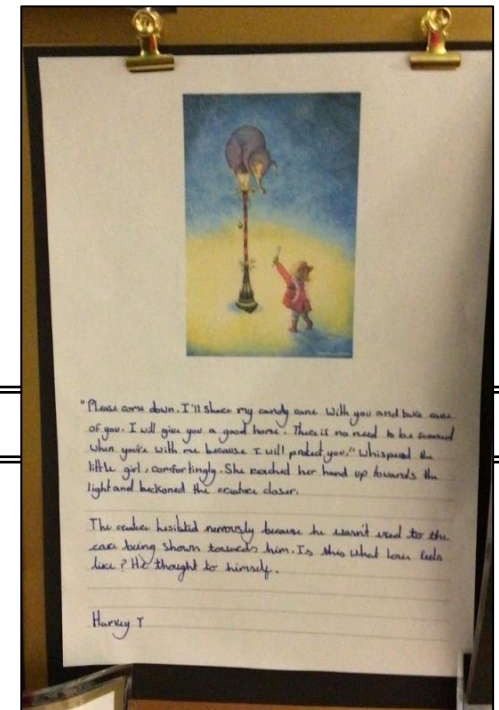
Orla (Asia)

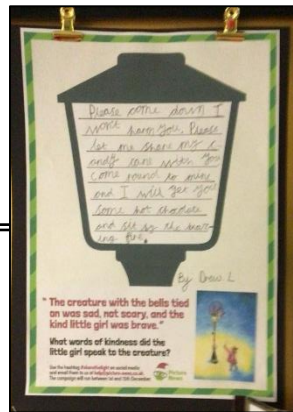


Noah (Oceania)



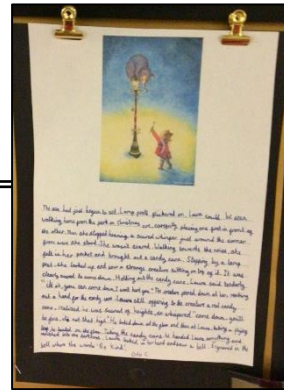
Harvey (South America)





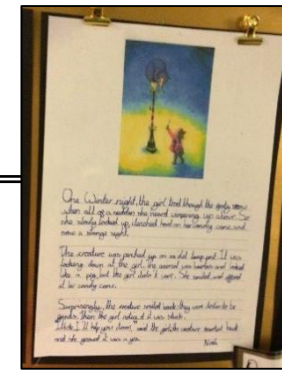
Please come down I won't harm you. Please let me share my candy cane with you. Come round to mine and I will get you some hot chocolate and sit by the blazing fire.

Drew (Northern Europe)



The sun had just begun to set. Lamp posts flickered on. Laura could be seen walking home from the park on Christmas Eve. Carefully placing one foot in front of the other. Then she stopped hearing a scared whimper just around the corner from where she stood. She wasn't scared. Walking towards the noise, she felt in her pocket and brought out a candy cane. Stopping by a lamp post, she looked up and saw a strange creature sitting on top of it. It was clearly scared to come down. Holding out the candy cane, Laura said tenderly, "It's ok, you can come down, I won't hurt you." The creature peered down at her, reaching out a hand for the candy cane. Laura still offering the creature a red candy cane, realised he was scared of heights, so whispered, "Come down, you'll be fine, it's not that high." He looked down at the floor and then at Laura, taking a flying leap he landed on the floor. Taking the candy cane, he handed Laura something and vanished into the darkness. Laura looked in her hand and saw a bell. Engraved on the bell were the words, 'Be Kind'.

Orla (Asia)

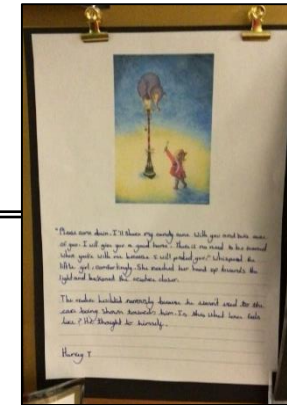


One winter night, the girl trod through the frosty snow, when all of a sudden, she heard whimpering up above. So, she slowly looked up, clenched hard on her candy cane, and saw a strange sight.

The creature was perched up on an old lamp post. It was looking down at the girl. The animal was hairless and looked like a pig, but the girl didn't care. She smiled, and offered it her candy cane.

Surprisingly, the creature smiled back; they were destined to be friends. Then the girl noticed it was stuck. "It's ok, I'll help you down," said the girl; the creature snorted back and she guessed it was a yes.

Noah (Oceania)



"Please come down. I'll share my candy cane with you and take care of you. I will give you a good home. There is no need to be scared when you're with me because I will protect you," whispered the little girl, comfortingly. She reached her hand up towards the light and beckoned the creature closer.

The creature hesitated nervously because he wasn't used to the care being shown towards him. Is this what love feels like? He thought to himself.

Harvey (South America)



Congratulations to the following children who have had their writing displayed on the Writer of the Month board.



Gateshead: Kaitlyn and Jack



Newcastle: Erin and Jaden



England: Niamh and Harry



Scotland: Jaxon and Imogen



Africa: Lola and Gabriel



Northern Europe: Caro and Drew



Southern Europe: Oscar and Millie



Northern Ireland:  
Jamie and Leo



Wales:  
Abigail and Lennon



Asia: Orla and Ellie



Antarctica: Sophia and Alfie



Oceania: Noah and Amelia



North America: Charlotte and Mary



South America: Emily and Harvey



Dear Parents/Carers,

### December's Writers of the Month

Linked with this month's thought for December - Kindness, we decided to use the idea that we received from Picture News. The image we received, was used by the teachers to inspire the children to explore what they would say to the frightened creature that the little girl discovered at the top of a lamp post. We then decided to display examples of the children's work from each class on the Writer of the Month Board.

I have thoroughly enjoyed reading the children's writing and have been moved by their kind words. The display they have created outside of my office looks wonderful and I congratulate them all. I hope you enjoy reading the work that we have selected for this week's bulletin, the writing includes some wonderful sentiments.

### A Special Visitor

On Friday, the Nursery children were treated to a special surprise visit from Santa Claus. We were so lucky that he could fit Emmaville into his busy Christmas schedule. However, he let me into a little secret, he said that he would never miss out visiting Emmaville because we had such kind and friendly children; Wowser!

### Northern Echo Article

Please follow the link to read the news article that features Emmaville School.

<https://www.thenorthernecho.co.uk/news/19758752.big-smiles-round-charity-delivers-free-walking-boots-north-east-school-pupils/>

### Diary date reminders for the last week of term

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December** - The children in the Reception classes will meet the Naughty Christmas Elf (Performance by a member of the Bigfoot Theatre Team) 1.30 - 2.10pm

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December** - The children in Years 1 & 2 will meet the Naughty Christmas Elf (Performance by a member of the Bigfoot Theatre Team) 2.30pm - 3.10pm. We ask that Year 1 parents collect their children from school on Monday afternoon at 3.20pm and Year 2 parents collect their children at 3.25pm. This will allow the teachers the time to get the children ready for home after the Elf performance.

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December** - Christmas lunch

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December** - 1.30pm let the fun begin for the Emmaville Christmas parties

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December** - Last day of term

School reopens on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Have a lovely weekend,

Avril Armstrong

### School Attendance Week Ending 03.12.21

Year 6: North America	97.9%	South America	93.7%
Year 5: Antarctica	96.4%	Oceania	98.8%
Year 4: Africa	97.0%	Asia	97.9%
Year 3: Northern Europe	96.1%	Southern Europe	97.0%
Year 2: Northern Ireland	89.9%	Wales	87.2%
Year 1: England	96.4%	Scotland	91.1%
EYFS: Gateshead	95.3%	Newcastle	98.7%
Crawcrook	78.5%		

**Whole school  
attendance  
94.1%**

Well done to Oceania for the best attendance last week.



# Stars of the Week

Head Teacher - All of the Year 3 children

For singing so beautifully on Thursday evening - we were all so proud of you.

North America - Tilda

For her amazing art work.

South America - Layla

For showing such resilience in Maths.

Antarctica - Amelia

For improved confidence and enjoyment of Maths.

Oceania - Noah

For fantastic Guided Reading work and all-round enthusiasm.

Africa - Jake

For fabulous effort in his maths and reading.

Asia - Kaysha

For being an absolute star. Amazing progress in all subjects because of her listening.

Northern Europe - To all of Northern Europe's Cheerleaders

For their stand-out performance at Gateshead Leisure Centre. You were all amazing.

Southern Europe - Ailsa

For standing so smartly and singing so beautifully during our Carols.

Northern Ireland - Freddie

For superb diary entry from the perspective of Excitable Edgar.

Wales - The whole of Wales class

For their amazing Phonics work!

England - Scarlett

For being a superstar in all lessons this week.

Scotland - Fraser

For his amazing work with portioning in Maths. Well done.

Gateshead - Billy

For his super work ethic in all we do - what a star!

Newcastle - Eli

For super Maths and being so helpful.

Crawcrook Nursery - Matthew

For being polite to everyone.

School Cook - Molly (Wales)

For her beautifully polite manners at lunchtime.