# EMMAVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS



YEAR









3rd - Gateshead & Newcastle

#### 1st - Northern Ireland

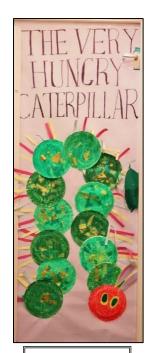
#### What a wonderful way to celebrate a love of books

What a great world book day we had in school. The children looked amazing in their costumes and enjoyed all of the activities that their teachers had planned for them. In fact, the enjoyment of books has spanned over into activities this week too. We have welcomed the West End Theatre group into school to bring alive books such as 'Where the Wild things are', 'The Lorax', and Rudyard Kipling's magnificent 'Jungle Book'. I am sure the children will have told you all about the West End Theatre's workshops.

Included in this week's bulletin are photographs of the amazing book covers created for classroom doors. We organised a little competition, and as always, the children and staff rose to the occasion. We think the classroom doors look beautiful decorated with the book covers, the children are thrilled by their efforts.

Avril Armstrong

Date: Friday 11th March '22







Gateshead & Newcastle Nursery





England



Scotland



Northern Ireland



Wales

## BOOK DAY

## Our amazing classroom doors



Northern Europe



Southern Europe



Africa











Asia

Antarctica

Oceania

North America

South America

#### Charitable events

We always want to encourage the children to be involved in community and charitable events. However, we are receiving more and more requests from families to participate in fundraising activities for charities that are close to their hearts, and although we would love to support you all, please do not be disappointed if we cannot accept all requests. Emmaville families are always extremely generous, but I feel there is a limit to the number of times we ask our families to make contributions.

However, I do feel it would be remiss of us at this time if we did not organise something to support the poor people of Ukraine. We shall gather ideas from the children and no doubt they will come up with some excellent suggestions.

### Supporting and Raising Awareness of Down Syndrome at Emmaville





In 2013, the theme of Wearing Odd Socks was initiated **to raise awareness**. Over time it has also been promoted as Lots of Socks. The idea was created because chromosomes are shaped "like socks" and people with Down syndrome have an extra chromosome.

To show our support for people with Down Syndrome we are encouraging the children to come to school wearing odd socks on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March. We are sure you have plenty of odd socks in your sock draw to choose from to help promote awareness.

Thank you for your support.

Hazel Stoddart and Deborah Mackay

		School Attendance	Week Ending 04.03.22	<b>A</b>
Year 6: North America	97.1%	South America	100%	
Year 5: Antarctica	98.8%	Oceania	95.0%	
Year 4: Africa	97.0%	Asia	98.3%	
Year 3: Northern Europe	91.9%	Southern Europe	97.3%	Whole school
Year 2: Northern Ireland	92.7%	Wales	92.4%	
Year 1: England	98.6%	Scotland	93.3%	attendance
EYFS: Gateshead	95.3%	Newcastle	94.3%	95.6%
Crawcrook	92.2%			

Our attendance is above the national average. We would like to say a big thank you to parents/carers for helping us achieve it.

#### Illegal Car Parking

Following on from the article in last week's bulletin, we have received this letter from the Chair of Ryton & District Allotment Association which we want to share with you.

Please be respectful to our neighbours and try to walk to school whenever possible.

4th March 2022

#### Dear Ms Armstrong

I write to you as the Chair of Ryton & District Allotment Association. The association is responsible for the allotments, the entrance of which is next to the main gate for Emmaville school, that run alongside the car park and playing field of your school. This lane that runs along the allotments is private property (not council owned or a public right of way) and entry through the gates should be to allotment holders only, however parents of school children at Emmaville often use the lane to park their cars in the morning and afternoon when dropping off or picking up children.

Please can I ask that you inform all parents that they are parking on private property. If they do park on the lane, they park at their own risk and the association cannot be held liable for any damage or loss. As allotment holders often find access on the lane blocked by badly parked cars and by those parents attempting to turn vehicles around in the narrow lane, I would also be grateful if you could remind them that they are using the lane for parking due to goodwill by the Association and that they show courtesy for other road users.

The small side street outside of the main school gates is frequently chaotic, particularly in the morning. Cars & delivery trucks come to the school gates, iorries to the DIY shop, cars to the Body Beautiful Clinic and parents in cars dropping off children so if parents could be encouraged to park elsewhere this would help reduce the risk of potential accidents too.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Christine Brayson

Next Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup> is Comic Relief Red Nose Day and children are invited to come to school wearing red nose t-shirts, sweatshirts, red noses or non uniform. We are very aware that families have given very generously to lots of charitable causes lately, so there will be no charge for this event.





Joshua (Crawcrook Nursery) has misplaced his 'Spider Man' wellies and 'Star Wars' backpack. Could you please check that your child has their own wellies and backpack.

Thank you

"If I am thinking correctly," said Pooh, "a new baby is probably undoubtedly the grandest gift that could ever be."

"A grand gift indeed."

Congratulations to Maisie (Gateshead) on the birth of her sister Teagan and

Emily (Southern Europe) on the birth of her sister Isla

# Stars of the Week

Head Teacher - Lydia (Antarctica)
I am very impressed with the poem that Lydia has written which was set in a park.
Her final draft was also beautifully presented.

North America - Adam

For being such a kind friend and giving maximum effort in all that he does.

South America - Kaedem
For showing lovely manners and a much improved attitude in school.

Antarctica - Zach
For an excellent week and a great continuous high quality of maths.

Oceania - Lily
For great determination in lessons.

Africa - Cara
For her fantastic work in English - well done.

Asia - Holly
For beautiful handwriting and fantastic presentation.

Northern Europe - Oliver
For being a joy to teach and a lovely friend to all the children in our class.

Southern Europe - Bea For always taking great care with her presentation.

Northern Ireland - Olivia
For her great effort in English and always paying attention!

Wales - James
For his perseverance in English and great effort!

England - Oscar
For fantastic writing about a wild thing in English.

Scotland - Ben
For working so hard in his phonics lessons.

Gateshead - Leo
For his super work in both reading and writing tasks. Well done!

Newcastle - Ava For fantastic progress in her reading.

Crawcrook Nursery - Harry
For making Miss Stevens feel so welcome.

School Cook - The whole of Northern Ireland class For having such beautiful manners at lunchtime.