





Friday 24th January '24

EMMAVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS

On Thursday, Year 6 went on a visit to the Great North Museum. We took part in a workshop linked to our science unit, exploring adaptation and evolution. We had the opportunity to look at, and touch, some of the museum's exhibits and then played a game to show how the survival of the fittest theory worked in different species. After a very competitive game involving using sporks as bird's beaks (!) we saw how inheritance and variations could be both advantageous and disadvantageous. It was a great way to launch our new topic.

After our workshop, we then visited the Ancient Greek gallery and used the gallery explorer kit, and carried out a scavenger hunt to learn about the exhibits and artefacts in the museum. We also had time to explore other areas of the museum, and also visited the planetarium. An incredibly busy day, and after 10,000 steps around the museum, we were tired but felt enriched with knowledge!

Miss McPherson and Miss Stevens

















Reception Multi-Sports Festival

This week I had the pleasure of taking some of the children to Gateshead International Stadium, to partake in a PE Festival hosted by Gateshead Schools Sports Partnership.

The festival was 'circus' themed and involved ten different activities, all practising different movement based skills, such as throwing, catching, running and balancing.

It was really lovely to see the children's confidence progress throughout the afternoon. They were fantastic at supporting each other in the individual events and worked well as a team in the team games.

Well done Team Emmaville!

Mrs Wallace











On Friday 17th January, a group of Year 6 pupils were selected to represent Emmaville at a netball tournament at Gateshead stadium. For lots of them, it was their first taste of a competitive netball match, and they were all fabulous!

After finding our feet in the first couple of matches, we ended up coming in second place and gaining a place in the finals which will take place at the beginning of February.

The improvement in all of the players from the start of the tournament to the end was phenomenal, and I am immensely proud of all of them for both how they played and how they represented Emmaville.

Bring on February!

Miss Stevens

Water Bottles

New bottles can be purchased from the school office at a cost of $\pounds 1.95$.

		School Attendance - W	eek Ending 17.01.25	
Year 6: North America	91.9%	South America	99.4%	
Year 5: Antarctica	93.5%	Oceania	95.5%	
Year 4: Africa	94.5%	Asia	100%	Whole school
Year 3: Northern Europe	94.8%	Southern Europe	99.0%	attendance
Year 2: Northern Ireland	88.1%	Wales	98.4%	96.1%
Year 1: England	100%	Scotland	97.7%	20.210
EYFS: Gateshead	95.0%	Newcastle	93.8%	
Crawcrook	97.7%			
Jolly well done to Asia and England for 100% attendance last week.				



Nursery Admissions September 2025

Do you have a child that is turning two or 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 2025; January 2026 or April 2026.

Your child is eligible for a three-year-old nursery place the term after their third birthday.

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

We also offer 15-hour places for three-year olds in patterns of either five mornings, five afternoons or two and a half days.

Three-year-old nursery children can also attend the school's wrap-around care; the Breakfast Club from 7.30am and the After-School Club until 5.55pm, charged at an additional cost.

We also offer a number of funded or free places in our 'Purple Poppies' nursery for two-year olds. Places are for 15 hours per week; either five mornings or five afternoons. Please use the link below to check your child's eligibility for a (free) funded place:

https://www.gateshead.gov.uk/article/2708/Free-early-education-and-childcarefor-two-year-olds

Please telephone school to request an application form. Please specify if you would like an application form for a three-year-old place **or** a two-year-old place; or both.



Stars of the Week

Head Teacher - Milo (Northern Ireland) For an excellent week.

North America - Emily P For showing great enthusiasm on our visit.

South America - Owen W For fantastic additional work in Maths.

Antarctica - Logan For an incredible attitude to learning.

Oceania - Brody For his brilliant progress in handwriting.

Africa - Coby For always offering help when he notices someone struggling.

Asia - Ellie B For her daily dose of enthusiasm for school and learning.

> Northern Europe - Eli For being super honest when playing a game.

Southern Europe - Freddie For engaging really well in all lessons this week!

Northern Ireland – Ava For working so hard on your blending skills when reading.

> Wales - Em-J For amazing listening at all times!

England - Elsa For a great effort in her writing about George and the Dragon!

Scotland - Ada S For her excellent perseverance and wonderful work!

Newcastle - Levi For trying hard at every event in the Multi Sports Festival.

Gateshead - Adam For representing our school brilliantly on our PE trip and for trying really hard in all of the games.

> Crawcrook Nursery - Alfie For super sharing and being kind to friends outside.

> > School Cook - Elijah (Oceania) For wonderful manners at lunchtime.