

EMMAVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS



Reception's Forest Adventure

Reception had a fabulous afternoon at forest school last week. We used our senses to explore autumn treasures which were found in the woodland; we painted leaves and branches, made clay faces using natural materials, we listened to a story and learnt an autumn poem. We then enjoyed some free play time. What a super time we had! Thank you so much to our own Mrs Richter as well as Rose from Clara Vale Nature Reserve, who organised the afternoon's activities and came along to facilitate the day.



Date: Friday 18th November '22



It's Friday again and the weekend is just around the corner.

What a lovely week we have had in school, and the events planned by the School Council for Children in Need will just finish the week off nicely.

On Tuesday, we welcomed back the Open the Book team from the Holy Spirit and Sam Cree from the Methodist church. It was the first time since February 2020 that the team have been able to visit us and it was so lovely to have them back in school with us again. The children enjoyed a very interactive, colourful assembly with lots of audience participation; however, I am not quite sure how Mrs Lawrence, Miss James and I got roped into the performance!



We also look forward to welcoming Liz Twist, our local Member of Parliament, into school on Friday afternoon. Liz will be meeting with the Year 3 and Year 6 pupils; no doubt there will be lots of questions and some great discussions, hopefully the children will tell you all about the visit.

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Avril Armstrong





Fairtrade at Emmaville Primary



We're so proud this year's Emmaville Fairtrade Committee - Poppy, Georgia, Mina, Louie, Annabel, Joseph, Tyler and Sophia - who have not only been working hard to promote Fairtrade in school, but have also been fundraising for the Pakistan Flood Appeal.

The committee spoke in assembly to all of the children in school about how the money that they will raise from selling Fairtrade cookies in school will go towards the appeal. Here is a little of what they said:

Pakistan is a really important producer of Fairtrade products such as cotton, tea and of course footballs. Just as we were returning to school in September, Pakistan was experiencing terrible floods. Torrential rains washed away homes, crops and bridges and a third of the country was left underwater.

More than 2 million houses were washed away; 1.2 million livestock animals were killed; 8 million people lost their homes and thousands of people, including children, died.

The Fairtrade Committee would like to raise as much money as possible for the appeal, so we have decided to donate any profit we make when we are selling Fairtrade cookies to go to the Pakistan Flood Appeal.

We hope you will support us by buying Fairtrade cookies at the Fairtrade tuck shop.

Well done to you all, it's so lovely to see you working so hard for others, and being so passionate about Fairtrade.

Mrs McKenna



It was a busy sporting week last week in Year 6!

On Wednesday, all of Year 6 walked up to Thorp Academy to take part in an orienteering event with other schools from our cluster. The event was supervised by Year 7 Sports Leaders from Thorp, some of whom had only left us at Emmaville in July. Thankfully, the sun was shining as the children used their navigational and teamwork skills to explore the school grounds hunting for waypoints.



Mr Harrison and I then had the pleasure of taking the rugby team to the Gateshead finals at Blaydon Rugby Club. Once again, the children played with determination, skill and showed great enjoyment. In the group stages, we won two games, drew one and lost one, which made it a tense wait to see if we had progressed to the semi-finals. However, it came down to try difference and we just missed out. This did not dampen the spirits of our children, who had thoroughly enjoyed their day, and they happily stayed to cheer on and support the other teams at the tournament, which left us as staff feeling incredibly proud of this attitude.



Lit in Colour

Supporting inclusive reading in schools



At Emmaville, we strongly believe in Lit in Colour's philosophy that "books create belonging". They help us see each other and understand one another, and it is vital that the books that children read in their formative years reflect the rich diversity of the society we live in.

We recently contacted Lit in Colour as they were running a campaign to get more books reflecting diversity into primary schools, and was absolutely delighted when we received the email to say we had been chosen to receive over 100 books by authors of colour to share with the children in school. However, we were even more thrilled when the books arrived at school, as I am sure you will agree, there is a fantastic selection which we can't wait to share these with the children, both in the classroom and the library .

A huge thank you to Lit in Colour at Penguin for providing school with such valuable resources.

Miss McPherson

School Attendance Week Ending 11.11.22

Year 6: North America	99.4%	South America	99.4%
Year 5: Antarctica	96.8%	Oceania	95.5%
Year 4: Africa	92.7%	Asia	95.5%
Year 3: Northern Europe	97.3%	Southern Europe	94.2%
Year 2: Northern Ireland	98.6%	Wales	94.5%
Year 1: England	96.6%	Scotland	90.3%
EYFS: Gateshead	95.0%	Newcastle	96.9%
Crawcrook	92.8%		

Whole school
attendance
97.6%

Well done to North America and South America for the best attendance last week.





Stars of the Week

Head Teacher - Macy (Scotland)

For being such an incredibly enthusiastic member of the Emmaville School Community.

North America - Ivy

For being such an amazing learning partner and being so kind to everyone.

South America - Lola

For showing such progress across the curriculum.

Antarctica - Ella

For excellent improvement in maths with hard work.

Oceania - Charlie

For amazing contributions to lessons and class discussions.

Africa - Oscar

For his brilliant editing work - well done!

Asia - Sophie

For sheer determination to conquer her maths subtraction.

Northern Europe - Isabella

For always trying her best!

Southern Europe - Elijah

For improvement in his handwriting and being a really kind friend.

Northern Ireland - Mia

For her participation in lessons and working extremely hard all week.

Wales - Alice

For consistently giving 100% in everything that she does.

England - Bradley

For his fantastic reading in phonics and attitude to learning.

Scotland - Matty

For his enthusiasm in everything he does!

Gateshead - Oliver

For his amazing '5 Little Peas' story map.

Newcastle - Anthony

For his fabulous art work.

Crawcrook Nursery - Bella

For her number and colour work.

School Cook - Adam (Antarctica)

For being so polite and well-mannered at lunchtime.