

EMMAVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS



GSSP Blazing the Trail Award: Inspiration Project



Date: Friday 2nd July '21

GSSP Blazing the Trail Award: Inspiration Project

Emmaville Primary School has been taking part in the GSSP Blazing the Trail Award programme throughout the year, and to achieve the 'Diamond' award, we have to complete seven projects, some of which involve the Olympic values (inspiration, respect, determination, excellence, equality and courage). So far, Emmaville have completed five, and this week Year 1 completed their project for 'Inspiration'. Their task was to create and produce a song/rap incorporating the theme of inspiration. The children and adults have done an amazing job creating both a fun song, based on the Fresh Prince of Bel-Air rap (they came up with all the lyrics and ideas for the rap), and then turning that into a creative and inspiring music video.

We are very proud and inspired. Well done Year 1! The school, fingers crossed for Emmaville, that best embodies the theme of being inspirational will receive a free music workshop and be invited to the Gateshead School Sports Awards to perform their winning piece.

If you would like to watch the video, please go to the Year 1 class pages.

Year 1 and the PE Team



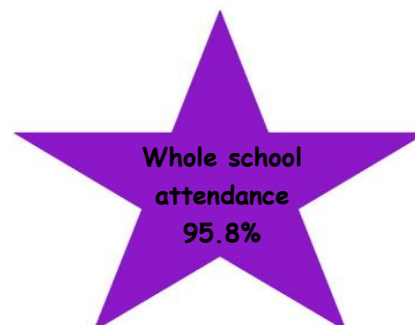
Something to smile about

Oh, I do love a good wedding; recently Ebba in Y3 was the bridesmaid at her Aunt and Uncle's wedding. I am sure you will agree, Ebba looks gorgeous in her dress and it was lovely to see Evan (an Emmaville past pupil) in the background of one of the photographs.

Avril Armstrong

School Attendance Week Ending 25.06.21

Year 6: North America	90.1%	South America	92.1%
Year 5: Antarctica	96.4%	Oceania	98.7%
Year 4: Africa	98.5%	Asia	94.9%
Year 3: Northern Europe	90.0%	Southern Europe	100%
Year 2: Northern Ireland	94.8%	Wales	00.0%
Year 1: England	92.3%	Scotland	99.1%
EYFS: Gateshead	98.1%	Newcastle	96.3%
Crawcrook	93.3%		



Congratulations to Southern Europe for 100% attendance last week.

Dear Parents/Carers,

Enrichment Week

We are all very excited about the forthcoming enrichment week that will be taking place from Monday 5th July - Friday 9th July. The PE team and teachers have some very exciting activities planned for the children. There will be plenty of opportunities for the children to use their geographical, historical, art, and design technology skills whilst exploring the theme of the Olympics. Of course, they will also have some exciting PE tasks to complete whilst learning about the culture and heritage of the games that were first introduced by the Ancient Greeks.

On Thursday 8th July we have a few treats in store for the children during our **Emmaville Garden Party**. Remember, on the 8th, the children may come to school dressed in either their party clothes, or Olympic themed outfits.

The benefits of a smile

Displayed in Mrs Hamilton's class is the following quote, I liked it so much I thought that I would share it with you all:

If you see someone
without a smile
give them
one of yours!

A friendly smile can certainly brighten someone's day.



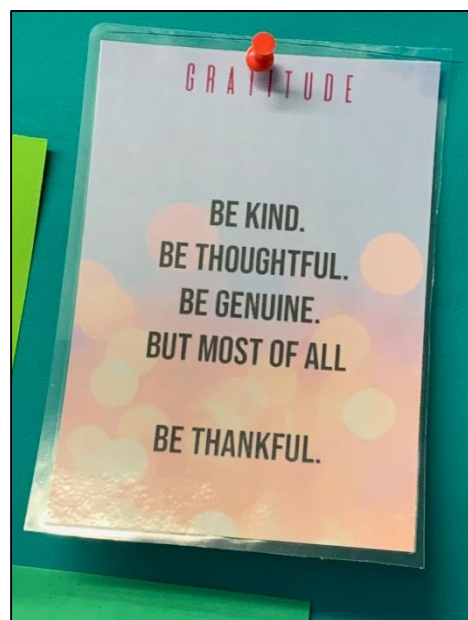
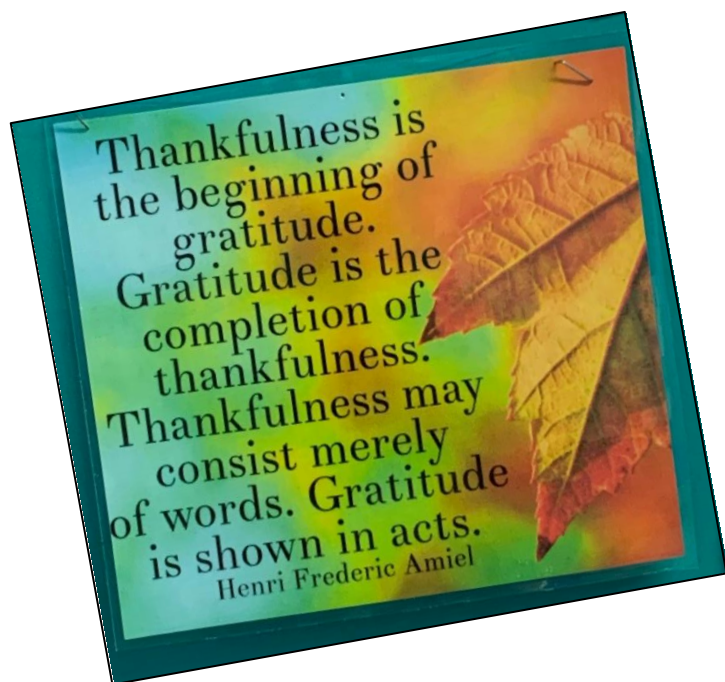
July's Word of the Month

Gratitude

Gratitude – The quality of being thankful, readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness.

Each morning, when the Year 3 children arrive at school, they take out a gratitude list that they have designed. On the list, they add something that they are grateful for. The list is not necessarily shared with anyone, it is their personal list of thanks. Mrs Hamilton tells me that there might be just a single word on the list, such as, 'Mum'. I thought it was a lovely idea to encourage positive thoughts in our children and to then have them

displayed on the **Wave of Gratitude** board.



I often receive positive comments about Emmaville school from those living in the locality. However, I occasionally receive emails from rather disgruntled residents, usually about inconsiderate parking.

This week, I received an email from a resident who lives on Beech Grove Terrace. In the email, it stated that the property has a private drive, with a dropped curb. The resident informed me that they have a dropped curb for off street parking, therefore any obstruction is deemed as illegal parking.

Within the email they included the following, The Highway Code's Rule 243 states that you should 'not stop or park where the kerb has been lowered & parking a vehicle fully or partially across a dropped kerb is classed as an obstruction and either the police or local council can enforce the contravention.' What has angered and upset the resident, is the fact that some Emmaville parents park over the drive, preventing the resident from getting their car off the drive.

I ask that all parents/carers show consideration when dropping off or collecting their children from school. I can fully appreciate how frustrating and upsetting it must be for residents if they are unable to go about their daily business because they can not get their cars off their drive.

Within school, we teach the children to have good manners, if we expect them to develop these manners then we must be good role models for them. Inconsiderate parking is not showing the children a good example of behaviour.

Teaching arrangements for September

There will be a couple of staff changes come September. Changes are often made to support the development of staff skills and often at the request of the teachers.

There will be no changes to the current teaching arrangements in the nursery and reception classes.

In September, however, there will be some changes in Key Stage 1 and upper Key Stage 2. Mr Saddington will be teaching a Year 5 class; Miss McPherson will be moving into Year 6 and Miss Woolard will be moving into Year 2.

Scotland Year 1 - Mrs Lawrence

England Year 1 - Miss McArdle

Wales Year 2 - Miss Woolard

Northern Ireland - Miss Kenyon

Northern Europe - Miss Rochester

Southern Europe - Mrs Hamilton

Africa - Miss Stevens until Miss Lamb returns from maternity leave in the spring term

Asia - Miss Brewster

Antarctica - Mr Elliott

Oceania - Mr Saddington

North America - Mrs McKenna

South America - Miss McPherson

The children will find out on Step up Morning on Tuesday 6th July, which class they will be going into in September.

Avril Armstrong

Over the summer holidays, a team of teaching staff at Emmaville are taking part in a sponsored walk organised by the Walk and Talk Trust.

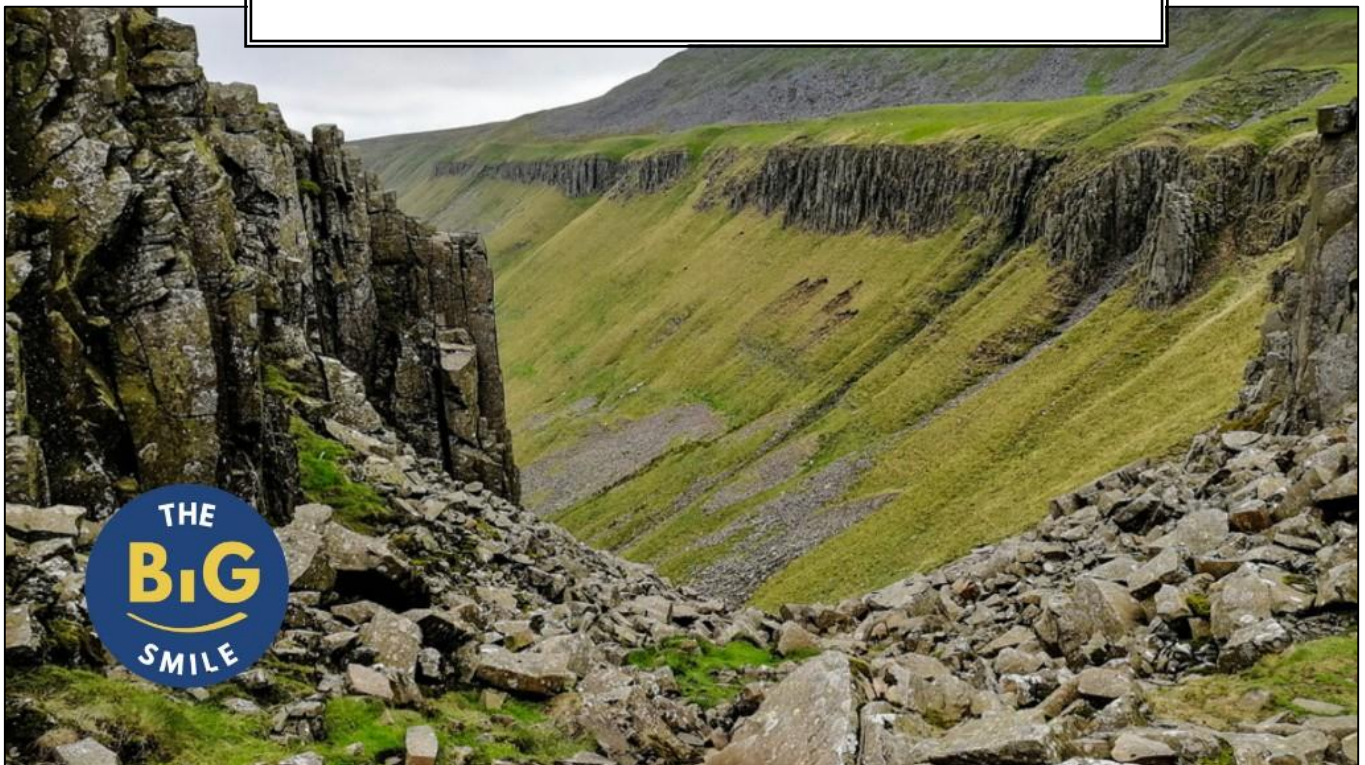
Miss Armstrong, Miss Woolard, Mrs Johnson, Miss Rochester, Miss Lamb and Miss McPherson will walk and climb 12 miles to High Cup Nick, where they will hopefully be able to appreciate some spectacular views (British weather depending!)

The past year has been a challenging one for many, and the idea behind the Walk and Talk trust is to promote the physical and mental benefits associated with regular exercise, specifically walking.

The money raised through our walk will go towards buying all children in Year 6 a pair of walking boots. These will be used throughout the next academic year and will hopefully help to promote the physical and mental wellbeing of our pupils; something which is always at the forefront of our minds at Emmaville.

We will be sure to update you on our progress!

Please see the [Just Giving](#) link sent if you would like to donate, and support them on their walk!





Stars of the Week

Head Teacher - Eva (Wales)

I was so impressed with the Seesaw post of Eva reading the story that she had written. It was a wonderful story about Poly the polar bear, a girl called Chloe and the Magical Charm.

North America - Ethan

For hardworking and mature attitude to his studies.

South America - Charlie

For amazing effort and progress this year.

Antarctica - Ross

For an excellent attitude to learning and school as well as showing great empathy.

Oceania - Adam

For his role model attitude and effort.

Africa - Evangeline

For her amazing information text writing. Well done Evangeline.

Asia - Joseph

For brilliant attitude to his learning and great time work in Maths.

Southern Europe - Libby

For a super mature attitude.

Northern Ireland - Lilyann

For a super journey story.

England - Rosie and Freddie

For having an amazing attitude to learning.

Scotland - Emily

For excellent work in our English lessons.

Gateshead - Frankie

For his super work on sharing in Maths.

Newcastle - Amelie

For working so hard.

Crawcrook Nursery - Tori

For being really helpful and for super Makaton signing.

School Cook (Lisa Kirton) - Bradley (Africa)

For lovely manners at lunchtime.