

## EMMAVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

### WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN

#### WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS



Nursery had a fun week last week learning all about pets and even had two very special visitors. Nibbles the guinea pig came on Tuesday. During circle time, the children learnt about what she eats and where she sleeps, then all the children got to stroke Nibbles.

At the end of the week the children were visited by
Miss Foster's dog Buddy. Everyone was very excited when he arrived
and even more so when they found out it is his 6th birthday!
We talked about how to take care of a dog - feeding, walking, bathing,
brushing. Some volunteers came up to brush Buddy and everyone
watched the tricks he can do. We finished by singing happy birthday
to Buddy and the children had the option to give him a treat.

We also looked at a lovely book called the Bug Hotel and the children chose to make their own bug houses using cut and stick materials.

We placed our new wooden bug houses in our forest school area.

We can't wait to see which bugs make a home there!















Date: Friday 7th May '21



Hello everyone,

I hope that you enjoyed a relaxing bank holiday weekend. Despite the weather conditions, I hope that you found the time to do something nice as a family.

Above is a photograph of our Writer of the Month board that has recently been updated by Mrs Henderson. The board looks rather bare at the moment; however, by the time next week's bulletin reaches you, we hope that it will be brimming with wonderful writing that will have been inspired by what the children have heard, read, had modelled for them in English lessons, or ideas that have come from other curriculum subjects. Some pieces of children's writing will be included in next week's bulletin and I am sure you will enjoy reading the children's work as they have such excellent imaginations.

#### Oracy

One of the Emmaville school improvement targets this year is oracy. Please take the time to ask your children to tell you what we mean by oracy. In each classroom there is an oracy display, reminding the children of the key features that we are trying to promote with them. Class teachers are already seeing the impact that the oracy push is already having upon our pupils; however, it will be interesting to see how the children explain to their families what they have learnt so far and how this has improved their speaking, listening and debating skills.

#### Coronavirus

We have had some enquiries from parents about what they should do if their children have symptoms. The NHS advice that we have received and which has been endorsed by Public Health Gateshead is, if anyone has symptoms of COVID - 19 they must get a PCR test as soon as possible.

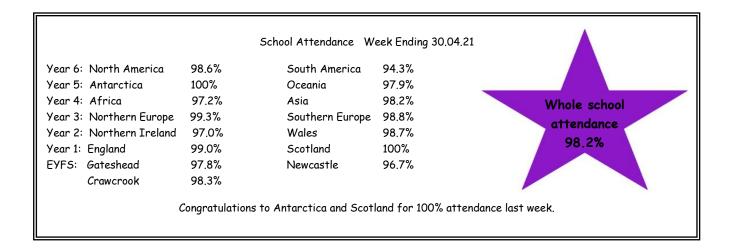
#### The symptoms are:

- A high temperature
- A new, continuous cough
- A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

Anyone who has a PCR test should stay at home until they receive their test results. Family members that they live with must also stay at home until the outcome of the result is known.

Please be aware that Lateral Flow tests are only for people who do not have symptoms.

Avril Armstrong



# Stars of the Week

Head Teacher - Henrique (Oceania) and Layla (Asia) For their amazing art work, I was very impressed.

North America - Erin
For super poetry and excellent Maths skills.

South America - Aryana
For superb focus and effort in lessons.

Antarctica - Aaron
For fantastic improvement in all areas, great hard work and quality of work too!

Oceania - Archie
For his excellent contributions in Guided Reading.

Africa - Evie
For amazing fraction work in Maths.

Asia - James
For a very settled week and great commitment to his work.

Northern Europe - Kaysha
For producing quality work across the curriculum and being such a lovely member of class.

Southern Europe – Lilah
For being such a kind and supportive learning partner.

Northern Ireland - Oliver
For brilliant listening and super effort.

Wales - Amelie
For trying her hardest in everything she does.

England - Charlotte
For trying really hard in English and Maths.

Scotland - Ella
For her amazing Maths work this week - super fast recall of facts!

Gateshead - Finlay
For his positive attitude and always having a smile.

Newcastle - Isabella For an amazing Angel of the North painting.

Crawcrook Nursery - Eli
For having such a great attitude to everything he does in Nursery.

School Cook (Lisa Kirton) - Nathan (Wales)
For his beautiful manners at lunchtime.