













# What a right Royal Day we had at Emmaville

Last Friday we were blessed with brilliant sunshine; the school field was filled with glamour and colour as the children flew their Union Jack kites in celebration of the wedding of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle. It was a spectacular sight to see as children of all ages dressed in their 'Sunday best' came together to enjoy the pleasure and fun of running across, around, and in various directions to make the kites that they had made soar high into the sky. A perfect occasion to feel proud to be British.

Thank you so much for taking the time to dress your children so beautifully, they looked remarkable in the frills, bow ties, suits and traditional costumes, what an array of colour. The staff looked pretty spectacular too, especially the Archbishop of Canterbury (alias Miss Foster). Mr Saddington has captured the day perfectly in the photographs that he has taken, many are on the school's website.

Have a fabulous half term holiday everyone and remember school starts at 8.50am on Monday 4th June.

Year 6 pupils who are going to France, your day starts a little earlier on the 4<sup>th</sup> June, so get an early night and set your alarm clocks ready for the residential visit. You all deserve the experiences that you will enjoy in France and Belgium after the effort that you have put into preparing for your end of Key Stage 2 tests. Well done to each and every one of you, I was incredibly proud of your attitude and 'Stickability' throughout the course of the exam week. The theatre visit on Friday evening to see Matilda was a treat for being so positive throughout the last few months. Have a well-deserved rest during the half-term break.

Miss Armstrong.





























Last week, the Year 4 children spent two amazing days at Broomley Grange. We had lots of fun and the children showed great growth mindset, overcoming fears to complete high rope and climbing wall challenges.

The children smiled the whole time and staff at Broomley commented on the children's manners and enthusiasm. They were a credit to both their parents and the school.

Mrs Wall, Miss Kenyon, Miss Woolard and Miss Riddler.













# A big THANK YOU!

On Thursday 17th May Year 2 had a very exciting afternoon linked to our topic 'Africa'. We were extremely lucky to have Frank's dad come in and talk to us about Kenya, the country where he was born. We learnt many amazing facts and we loved looking at photos of Kenya, especially the Giraffe Hotel! We even came away knowing some Swahili words. Frank's mam, Auntie (Tata), Grandma (Cucu) and even little sisters came in to help us learn more about our topic. We loved Frank's sisters' traditional Kenyan dresses! Frank's grandma (Cucu) even made us some delicious Kenyan dishes to taste like 'mukimo' made from potatoes, peas and sweetcorn. We had a fantastic afternoon and would like to say a great big thank you to all of the Kioni family for giving up their time to help us understand more about Kenva.

This is what some of the children had to say about the visit:

The food was delicious! My favourite thing was the pilau rice. Stella B

We tried chapatti and I thought it was really good. I even had seconds! Sam G

I liked finding out about the Giraffe Hotel. It is funny how the giraffe poke their heads through the window to get food. I would love to go there one day! Layla F

I enjoyed learning about the cities in Africa. Sometimes people think of Africa as a poor country, but when I saw the cities I realised that they looked like cities in the U.K.Noah W-G

I liked it when he taught us about the snakes. Archie R

I really enjoyed the food, especially the mukimo! Emily J



### Year 2 African Workshop

On Thursday 10th May, the Year 2's had a visit from the North East of England African Community Association, They delivered a workshop about Africa, lead by a lovely lady called Feyi Awotona. The children learnt what villages, towns and cities looked like and the different types of homes that people lived in. I think some children were surprised that not only were there small rural villages with mud huts, but also huge cities with tower blocks and motorways! We all enjoyed watching a performance of an African dance and then the children learnt part of the dance. One of the best bits was learning some African clapping games. We all had a go at that! In the second half of the workshop the children had the opportunity to see and handle some African artefacts, African drums, printed and embroidered clothing, jewellery and books written in some African languages. It was a really enjoyable and informative morning!

Below are some of the children's thoughts about the visit:

I liked the part where we saw the statues. We saw a little pot that they scoop water up with, it was made of wood. They make lots of things with wood! Poppy W

I thought it was really good I liked the singing and dancing. Adam D

I liked the jewellery best. Lucy B

I liked the drums. I would like to know more about them and more about their masks. Mark H

The clapping games were great because we learnt different rhythms. William P

I was surprised that there are 54 countries in Africa. Callan G

My favourite part was playing the African drums. Thomas showed me how to do an African beat, Harvey T

# Forthcoming dates for your diary...

Monday 4th June - School reopens

Monday 4th June - Friday 8th June Y6 pupils' residential visit to France

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June - 9.15am Jerusalem's Class Assembly Refreshments will be served following the assembly

## Monday 11th June - Friday 15th June Y1 Phonics Screen Check

Thursday 14th June - Thursday 21st June Enrichment Week from the spring term that had to be cancelled as a result of adverse weather. Arts theme

> Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June - 3.30pm - 6.30pm KS2 Parents' Evening

Wednesday 20th June - 3.30pm - 6.30pm KS2 Parents' Evening

Thursday 21st June - 9.15am Toronto's Class Assembly. Refreshments will be served following the assembly

> Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June School closed for an occasional day

#### Parent Governor Election

In a close run election, Jonathan Lancashire was elected as a Parent Governor on the Governing Body of Emmaville and will serve for a period of four years.

## Skipping Ropes for Sale

Children have thoroughly enjoyed the skipping workshops during our 'Lets Get Physical' week.

Skipping ropes are now on sale by the Skipping School Workshop at the school office at a cost of £5.00. Children can bring them into school to promote active playtimes.

Mrs Priestley.

#### Water Bottles

Please make sure your child has their water bottle in school at all times. Bottles can be purchased from the school office at a cost of £1.20 and spare lids can also be purchased for 25p.

# This week's House Points





3rd TEAM BALTIC 2498

4th TEAM SAGE 2435

## School Attendance Week Ending 18.05.18



Year 5/6	
New York	99.2%
Rio	95.4%
Toronto	100%
Year 3/4	
Jerusalem	95.7%
Kuala Lumpur	97.8%
Moscow	100%
Year 2	
Cape Town	96.3%
Vienna	99.3%
Year 1	
Edinburgh	96.0%
Glasgow	98.0%
EYFS	
Gateshead	98.6%
Newcastle	95.6%
Crawcrook	93.5%

Congratulations to Toronto and Moscow for 100% attendance last week.

