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EMMAVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN

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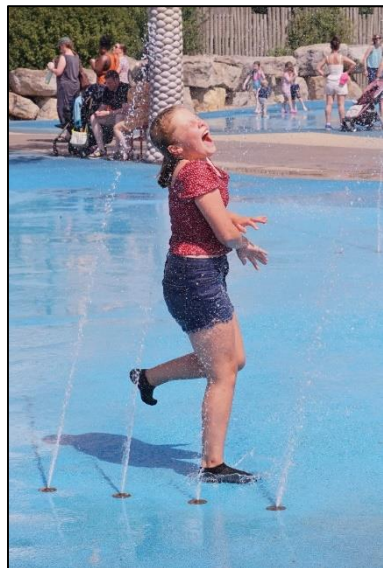
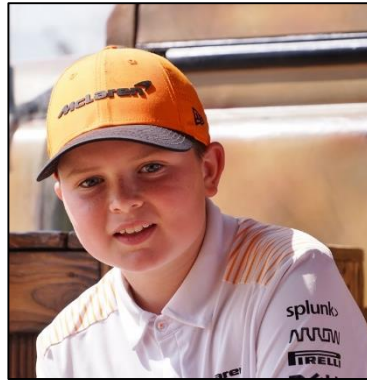


Friday 16th July

Surf's up! After a week of building temperatures, Friday dawned crystal clear and beautifully warm. Which was a good thing, as by 9 O'clock sharp, we were on the coach to Tynemouth for a day of surfing and mucking about on the beach. Once we'd managed to squeeze into our wetsuits (no mean feat!), had an initial safety and board- skills session and hauled our boards into the water, the instructors from Longsands Surf School helped us to ride the waves. As you can see, it was brilliant fun and there were even some of us who managed to stand up and glide into the shallows like real pros.



Smiles and laughter all around - Y6 have had fun, fun, fun!



Tuesday 20th July

As a celebration of our Year 6 children, who have missed out on so very many of the usual Emmaville experiences over the last few months, we took a trip down to Flamingo Land for a day of fun and thrills. On the hottest day of the year, we arrived to find a whole park full of exciting rides, and promptly began the serious business of making memories. A beautiful day for an amazing group of children - enjoy the photos...





Emmaville's Sports Day

Monday 19th July

In true Emmaville style, there was no stopping us giving the children a day to remember once again. This year Sports Day was a little different, we held our very first 'Emmaville Pentathlon' for Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. The children competed in five events: vortex howler throw, standing long jump, sprint, an obstacle relay and the traditional egg and spoon race. It wouldn't be a sports day without the egg and spoon race.

The sun was shining all day and there were smiles and laughter all around. It was an incredible day and the children showed their competitive spirit, cheering on and supporting their houses.

A huge thank you to Gateshead School Sports Partnership who helped organise and ran the day for the children to enjoy. They even had house anthems blasting out to get the children (and teachers) dancing.

Throughout the day, the children waiting eagerly for that 'ping' to be updated with the scores. We were so proud of all the children for giving it their all and encouraging their house.

After a competitive day, the result was in and congratulations to Angel who gained the most points overall!

The PE Team



Dear Families of Emmaville,

We have much to celebrate as we close for the academic year. I want to pay tribute to our whole school community's dedication to keep spirits high and for trying to provide the best care that could be given under extremely difficult circumstances.

I am incredibly proud of our families, you have done a phenomenal job supporting your children throughout the pandemic, especially with home learning; I appreciate everything you have helped them to accomplish.

The children have been a credit to us all. They have bounced back into school life after a number of disruptions. They have been so happy and incredibly resilient, always ready for their next challenge and just glad to be reunited with their pals. They must be praised for responding so positively to the restrictions imposed upon them, they have accepted the changes without complaint; I am extremely proud of each and everyone of them.

My teaching team and office staff have been as amazing as always, they have gone the extra mile and even when things were really tough, they pulled together to give their support. Their passion, energy and drive to inspire our children is something I am extremely grateful for. The commitment to provide the best possible education to the children in our care has remained paramount throughout this very turbulent year.

I do hope that the academic year 2021/22 will not be so challenging and that the words of C S Lewis will be true, 'There are far better things ahead than any we leave behind.'

Wraparound provision

We have been reviewing arrangements for the wraparound provision. As mentioned in a previous letter to parents, breakfast and after school club will continue to be provided in the children's classrooms and the current cost for this provision will remain the same for the first 3 weeks of the autumn term. During the 3rd week of the autumn term arrangements will be reviewed and parents will be notified of our intentions going forward.

Service and cost that we hope to provide in the fourth week of the autumn term

Breakfast Club: 7.30am - 8.50am

After School Club: 3.10pm - 6pm

The cost for this provision going forward will be:

Breakfast Club

7.30am - 8.50am - £4

8.00am - 8.50am - £3

After School Club

3.10pm - 4.15pm - £3

4.15pm - 5.15pm - £6

5.15pm - 6pm - £9

Please note, wraparound provision for EYFS & KS1 children will be in the Nursery Unit, and wraparound provision for KS2 children will be in the school hall. When we are able to resume our normal service, cereal, toast, crumpets, fresh fruit, water and juice will be available for the children who attend breakfast club and hot and cold snacks will be available for the children who attend after school club.

Have a lovely summer break and we look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 6th September.

Very best wishes,

Avril Armstrong



North America

Emmaville's Incredible Year 6 children.

Dear Children,

It is with great sadness that we bid you all farewell. Unfortunately, all good things must come to an end, and we must untie the apron strings that bind you to us at Emmaville so that you can fly off to new adventures. A new path is ahead of you and the possibilities are endless.

It has been amazing to watch you grow into the wonderful children that you are today, and we shall miss each one of you very much. However, tomorrow stands before you like a chapter in a book, waiting to be written. So, from this day, write your own story and leave a major impact on the world. We wish you all a joyful life filled with wonderful experiences. We hope that you find inspiration around you and motivation within you to be the best that you can possibly be!

May you all be blessed with courage and turn each day into an adventure of learning and fun.

Much love and huge hugs from all of us at Emmaville xx



South America

Emmaville Speech Challenge 2021

This year we held our first Emmaville Speech Challenge. The topic was: If I had an hour, I would...

Well done to everyone who took part. We were very impressed with your speeches. The teachers all had a really tricky time choosing their winners. Here are our class winners and what they would choose to do if they had an hour:

Reception Newcastle – Niamh – have a slumber party and have lots of snacks

Reception Gateshead – Ellie – go to the beach and make sandcastles

Y1 Scotland – Charlie – play with my hot-wheels car

Y1 England – Bodie – visit lots of places in England

Y2 Wales – Grace – play music to be happy

Y2 Northern Ireland – Owen – spend time with my family

Y3 – Northern Europe – Charlotte – do crafts

Y3 – Southern Europe – Sarah – ride a bike

Y4 – Africa – Max – go running

Y4 – Asia – Ivy – play Roblox

Y5 – Antarctica – Frank – play football

Y5 – Oceania – George – walk my dog

Y6 – South America – Athena – go walking

Y6 - North America – Selene – write a story

Miss Armstrong and I had an even trickier job picking the overall school winners.

Mrs Hamilton

A huge WELL DONE to:

1st place Athena

2nd place Sarah

3rd place Owen



As part of the GSSP Blazing the Trail Programme, Northern Europe took part in the 'Determination Project'. For this project, they created a dance routine to the song 'Sia - The Greatest'. The message behind the dance was despite these tricky and uncertain times in which we have been going through, the children have continued to shine and show resilience and determination to stay strong and keep moving forward.

During the dance routine, they held up their own personal messages; some were dedicated to family members or special people who have had a positive impact on them throughout lockdowns, some to the NHS who had looked after grandparents who had been unwell due to Covid and some positive words of encouragement. What is more, we received an email on Friday afternoon informing us that the children were the project winners, and out of all the other schools who had entered in Gateshead they came first with their routine!

What an amazing achievement Northern Europe; such superstars!

The PE Team



THANK YOU!

As we approach the end of a challenging school year, I would like to thank this year's wonderful school councillors for their continued hard work, support and dedication to their role. The children have been courteous, polite and respectful and their love for Emmaville has been apparent throughout

The children have all made the most of their roles and supported the school wonderfully. Back in the autumn term the school council went digital and presented a virtual tour of Emmaville; having to share what makes Emmaville so special. Then, in the spring term, school council helped organise an "eggcellent" Easter Egg hunt for Early Years and Key Stage 2! Finally, in the summer term; the school councillors presented the Royal Mail's stamp design competition to their peers in class.

After every meeting we have had, I have consistently been blown away by the children's enthusiasm for the projects they have been involved with and the maturity they have shown. It has been a pleasure working alongside this year's school councillor's and I am sure they will continue to be brilliant Emmaville ambassadors.

So, one final thank you to the lovely; Ellie, Sam, Charlie, Isabelle, Sophia, Thomas, Zoe, Isaac, Callan, Lois, Adam, Tilda, Harry, Rhianne, Saffah and Haaris. You are all super stars!

Miss Kenyon.



Hello All,

As you are aware, the children have been using DoodleMaths this last term - an online learning programme to support their maths. Doodle builds confidence and ability in maths by creating every child a personalised work programme tailored to their strengths and weaknesses. Using Doodle for just 10 minutes a day is proven to help children make three months of progress in just one month.

Some of our children (and parents) have asked whether they will be able to use their DoodleMaths during the holidays - of course they can, in fact we'd love that! Your child's teacher will ensure they have their username and password sent home with them before the end of term. If you haven't already, you will need to download the App on to their device. Details of how to do this and how parents can get involved is on the letter attached.

So, if the children have some spare time in the holidays, get them Doodling!

This weekend I went to London on the train, so I could see my picture in an exhibition at the Royal Academy of Arts. It was cool and a bit scary to see my little drawing with all the other drawings, paintings, animations and sculptures. I especially liked some of the animations because they were so creative and funny. The way I created my picture was that I drew the body and head with watercolour pencils, then I scribbled the hair, wet a paintbrush and painted over it to create a messy hair effect. It wasn't a self portrait but it did reflect how I was feeling that day - a bit tired and fed up. Lots of the pictures at the exhibition were about lockdown.

Tilda (Oceania)



On Friday 10th September we will be having a non uniform day for the Marie Curie Charity.

The children may come to school wearing something yellow and all donations will be passed on to Marie Curie.

School Attendance Week Ending 16.07.21

Year 6: North America	96.0%	South America	93.0%
Year 5: Antarctica	98.5%	Oceania	97.1%
Year 4: Africa	100%	Asia	95.7%
Year 3: Northern Europe	100%	Southern Europe	98.5%
Year 2: Northern Ireland	92.4%	Wales	95.7%
Year 1: England	97.7%	Scotland	95.2%
EYFS: Gateshead	97.3%	Newcastle	91.5%
Crawcrook	90.8%		

**Whole school
attendance
95.8%**

Congratulations to Africa and Northern Europe for 100% attendance last week.



Blazing the Trail Award: DIAMOND

Wow! We've done it! Emmaville Primary School have achieved the 'Diamond' Blazing the Trail Award. BTT was launched in 2012 as the GSSP's London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic legacy programme, with the aim of establishing a lasting legacy. The programme is built on various opportunities linked to the curriculum while also reflecting the 7 Olympic and Paralympic values.

As seen in previous bulletins, year groups have taken on a project each based on the 7 values;

EYFS - Winter RUNderland

Year 1 - Inspiration - Song or Rap

Year 2 - Respect - Olympic Rings Map

Year 3 - Determination - Dance Routine

Year 4 - Excellence - Dragons' Den Design a Sport

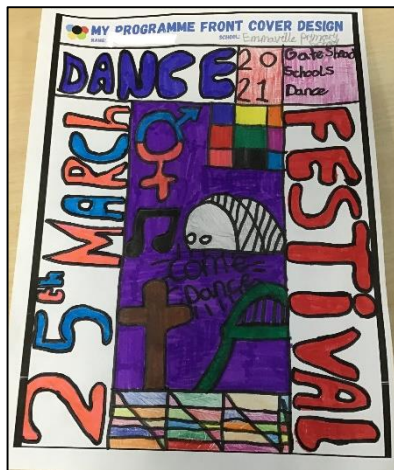
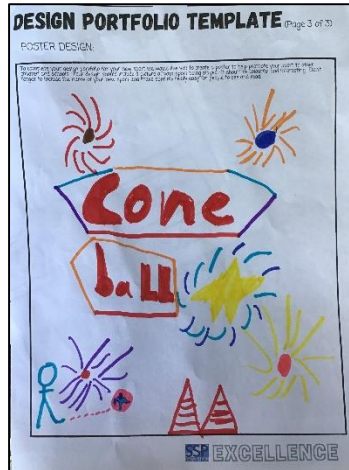
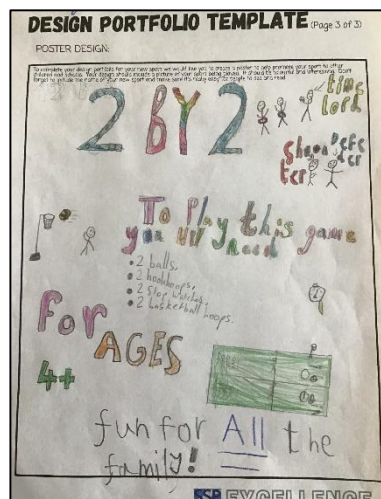
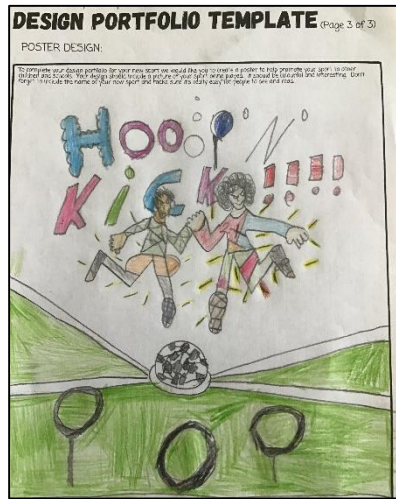
Year 5 - Equality Dance Festival Programme Design

Year 6 - Courage - My Olympic Story Factfile

Not only did we complete the projects, but we were also 'Project Winners' for our Year 3 'Determination' entry and were 'Highly Commended' for our Year 4 'Excellence' entry. Fantastic!

As a team, Emmaville Primary School have come together to show our values, skills and sporting prowess to achieve the 'Diamond' award. What a great way to end the year and recognise our school's achievements in PE.





Stars of the Week

Head Teacher - To all of our adorable pupils.
For being the best that they could possibly be!

North America - All of the class
For their super production of Wow, What a Year!

South America - The whole of the class
For an amazing production of Wow, What a Year!

Antarctica - The whole class
For amazing Maths understanding and writing in English.

Oceania - George
For being an amazing stand-up comedian and winning the Speech Challenge.

Africa - Gracie
For being really helpful with our sewing.

Asia - The whole class
For being so enthusiastic about everything and making my job such a pleasure!

Northern Europe - Maddox
For his fantastic Maths work on fractions!

Southern Europe - Riley
For fantastic effort in all his learning at home.

Northern Ireland - Lexi
For her fantastic letter.

Wales - Caspian
For showing a growth mindset.

England - Tabitha
For being a superstar all week.

Scotland - Amelia
For working really hard in Maths lessons.

Gateshead - Everyone in Gateshead
For an amazing year in Reception.

Newcastle - Peter
For his amazing writing about his summer holidays.

Crawcrook Nursery - Erin
For fantastic effort joining in with games and also super Circus skills.

School Cook (Lisa Kirton) - James (Wales)
For offering to help the staff in the kitchen.