









WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN

Date: Friday 27th November '20









Meet our new School Council

After giving their speeches and the reasons why they would be excellent representatives for their classes, these children were elected as our new School Council 2020 - 2021.



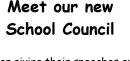












Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had another good week in school with the children and I continue to be delighted with the children's attitude towards their learning; they are working incredibly hard. I am very impressed with the weekly Accelerated Reader progress reports that Miss McPherson is including each week in the bulletin, the children have really embraced the new scheme.

We are almost half way through our Parent telephone consultations and the feedback that I have had from the teachers has been very positive. Obviously, we miss the opportunity to meet in person, but we hope that the discussions that you have had with your child/children's class teacher has enabled you to understand how your children are doing in school.

As the winter months present us with some rather cold weather, and as we have to make sure that we follow advice to ventilate the classrooms, it may be a good idea to make sure that the children wear a vest under their polo shirt and always wear their school jumper or cardigan.

Christmas card competition

Liz Twist, our Member of Parliament, has invited pupils from local schools to participate in her annual Christmas card competition. The children of Emmaville have had the opportunity to design their own Christmas card. The School Council members have then selected one card that will be sent to Liz as the Emmaville entry. In this week's bulletin, Miss Kenyon will be sharing with you more information about the card that has been chosen.

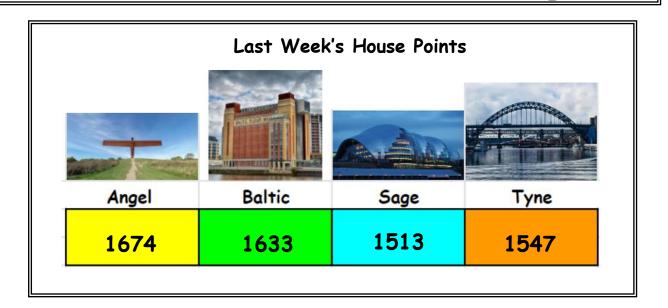
All I want for Christmas is you...

As Christmas approaches, we would like to invite our families to participate in a little bit of festive fun. As we are not able to sing in school, and part of the Christmas celebrations usually involve a good old sing song, we thought we would have a Christmas sing-a-long competition for our families. If you would like to take part then you need to post a video onto your child's class page on Seesaw by Monday 14th December. Conditions of the competition are, it should be festive and the family need to be singing a Christmas tune. Class teachers will select the winning family video and winners will be announced in the final virtual Celebration Assembly of the term, which will be held on Friday 18th December. There will be a prize for the lucky winning families, which will be sent home on the last day of term. So, come on all you would be pop stars, get rocking around the Christmas tree.

Weekly Prize Draw

The luck prize winners this week are Louie and Emilie's (Asia and Newcastle) family.

Best wishes, Avril Armstrong



Charitable Activities/Christmas Gifts/The People's Kitchen

As mentioned in our bulletin of November 6th, last Christmas we asked that no presents were given to the staff. Although we appreciate your generosity, we felt that a donation to local food banks was the best gift that you could give to us. Your response to that request was tremendous. We are very aware that the People's Kitchen, which our school has some links to, does some remarkable work, so this Christmas, we also ask that no presents are given to the staff; instead we wish to support the People's Kitchen. As we cannot currently accept any food donations, we have set up a <u>Just Giving page</u> (click the purple link) for anyone who would wish to make a monetary donation can do so.

Thank you for your support and generosity to people in need, particularly at this time of year.



Monday 23rd November 2020

| Class | Total words read | Increase since previous week |
|-----------------|------------------|---------------------------------|
| Northern Europe | 976,236 | +191,335 |
| Southern Europe | 542,818 | +162,664 |
| Asia | 709,756 | +36,125 |
| Africa | 928,794 | +285,691 |
| Oceania | 1,569,473 | +236,739 |
| Antarctica | 617,091 | +48,424 |
| North America | 3.378,514 | +716,341 |
| South America | 3,403,353 | +155,512 |



The following children have scored 100% in at least one Accelerated Reader guiz this week - a great achievement!

| Class | Children's names | |
|-----------------|--|--|
| Northern Europe | Holly, Phoebe, Rowan, Orla, Charlotte, | |
| | Dexter, Oskar, Adam, Cain, Ellie M, | |
| | Lydia, Millie, Scarlett, Lacey, Lenny, | |
| | Lydia, Alissa and Maddox. | |
| Southern Europe | Ella, Harry, Aaron, Ebba, Riley, Lilah, | |
| | Sarah, Isabelle, Maisy, Libby, Cara, | |
| | Archie, Ruby, Jasmine, Holly, Zac, | |
| | Gabriel, Luca, James, Charlie, Oliver and | |
| | Sam. | |
| Asia | Rachel. Lily, Jonny, Maia, Ivy, Noah, Roo, | |
| | Louie, Annabel and George. | |
| Africa | Evie, Alfie, Gracie, Thomas, Hayden, | |
| | Lola, Tyler, Evangeline, Finn, George, | |
| | George, Isaac, Myles, Sophia, Amelia, | |
| | Zachary, Lydia, Mina, Matthew, and Ava. | |
| Oceania | Nevaeh, Layla, Lily, Mark, Taylor, Leo, | |
| | Alex, Jacob, Clarke, Abigail, George. | |
| Antarctica | Chloe, Lewis, Ross, George, Sam, Layla, | |
| | Thomas, Frank, Amber, Kaedem, Milo, | |
| | Christopher, Millie, Harry, Harvey. | |
| North America | Jessica, Harris, Ronin, Grace, Erin, Jack | |
| | and Neve. | |
| South America | Evie, Isaac, Bobby. Aryana, Freddie. | |

"If I am thinking correctly," said Pooh, "a new baby is probably undoubtedly the grandest gift that could ever be." "A grand gift indeed."

Congratulations to Owen (Northern Ireland) on the birth of his baby brother Finlay.

| Whole school attendance 97.5% School Attendance Week Ending 20.11.20 | | |
|--|---|--|
| Year 6 North America South America Year 5 Antarctica Oceania Year 4 Africa Asia Year 3 Northern Europe Southern Europe Year 2 Northern Ireland Wales Year 1 England Scotland EYFS Gateshead Newcastle Crawcrook | 96.8% 95.9% 98.5% 97.2% 98.7% 96.8% 99.3% 99.3% 99.2% 95.7% 92.1% 100% 96.6% 98.8% 96.4% 96.9% | |
| Congratulation for 100% attendo | - | |

Key Stage Two

Christmas Card Competition

The competition really highlighted the creativity of our pupils.

The teachers had the unenviable task of selecting one winner from each class. Then, our School Council were asked to select one final winner as Emmaville's entry for the competition. They chose....

Maisey's (South America class) wonderfully creative Christmas card that really celebrates Gateshead. Congratulations Maisey, everyone who has seen your design has been blown away.





Head Teacher

All of the Nursery Children for their amazing rhyming skills. I love the photographs on your class page of you all completing your nursery rhymes tasks. Well done!

> North America - Ethan For excellent effort and attitude to work.

South America - Mollie For developing confidence and working so hard in everything she does.

Antarctica - Layla For being a little superstar in every area of school life. Well done!

Oceania – Layla For such amazing progress on her Accelerated Reader quizzes.

Africa - Libby For her fantastic work at home and explaining ideas well at school. Well done!

Asia - Roo For an amazing attitude to his home learning and his messages that made me smile!

Northern Europe - Sienna For working so hard in all our lessons, especially in this week's history lesson where she has drawn and labelled a wonderful Anglo Saxon village.

> Southern Europe - Jake For superb effort across the curriculum. Well done Jake.

> > Northern Ireland - Drew For his enthusiasm during dance.

Wales - Maisy For working so hard on phonics.

England - Neave For her caring nature towards others.

Scotland - Hal For working really well with all of his classmates. Well done Hal!

> Gateshead - Taylor For his super phonics work.

Newcastle - Maci For super maths work.

Crawcrook Nursery - All of Nursery. For great involvement during Nursery Rhyme Week.

School Cook (Lisa Kirton) - Bobby (Y6 North America) For his beautiful manners at lunchtime.