

EMMAVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS



Wow - what a great response we had for our KS1 School Council,
it was so hard to choose only 2 from each class!

Congratulations to the following children who have been elected as Emmaville's
KS1 School Council for 2024 - 2025. I'm very much looking forward to working with
you all and I am sure that you will all represent your classes, and the school, wonderfully.



Our new KS1 School Council:

England - Jake T and Rose B Scotland - Seth W and Willow L
Northern Ireland - Harry G and Neeve T Wales - Louie B and Lily J

KS2 School Council:

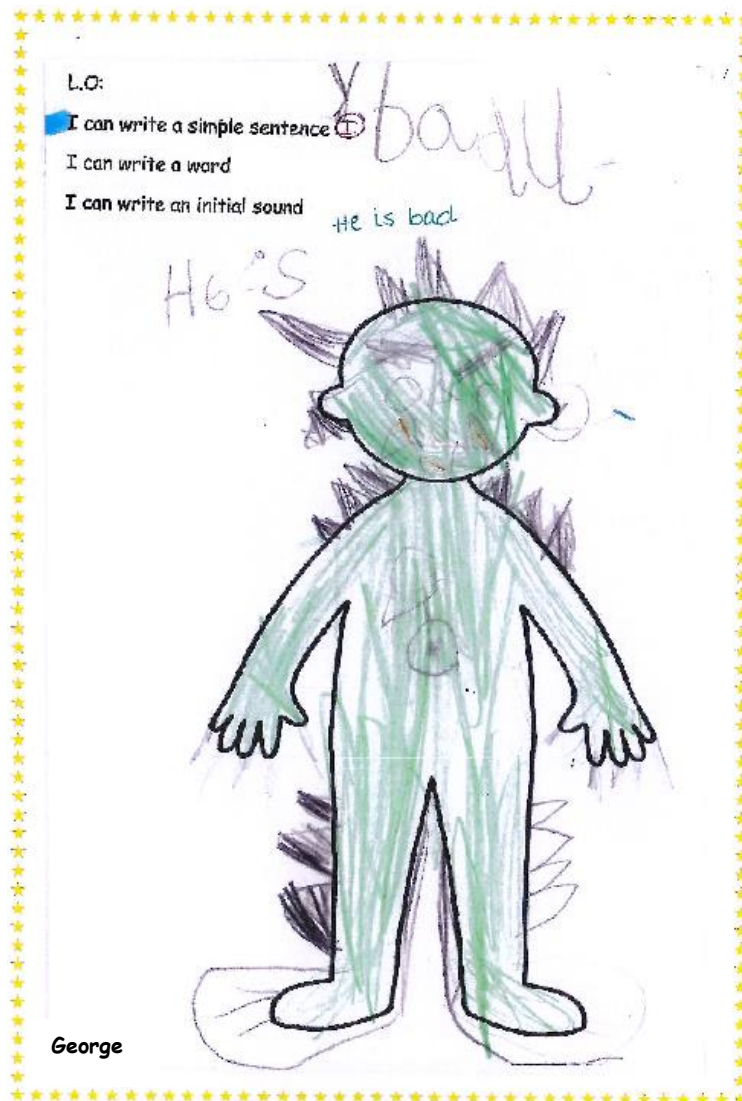
Northern Europe - Cameron M and Erin W
Southern Europe - George M and Rosa B
Africa - Fraser W and Maci T
Asia - Alfie K and Chloe C
Antarctica - Charlie T and Isla M
Oceania - Freddie H and Tabitha H
North America - Georgia R and Zain C
South America - Harrison W and Lexie P

Miss McKean

It is that time in the month when we share samples of children's writing on The Writer of the Month board. Congratulations to you all for being chosen by your teachers to have your work displayed. Unfortunately, we cannot include all of the children's work so please enjoy reading the pieces included.



Gateshead - Elodie and Walter



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Writers of the Month

Reception



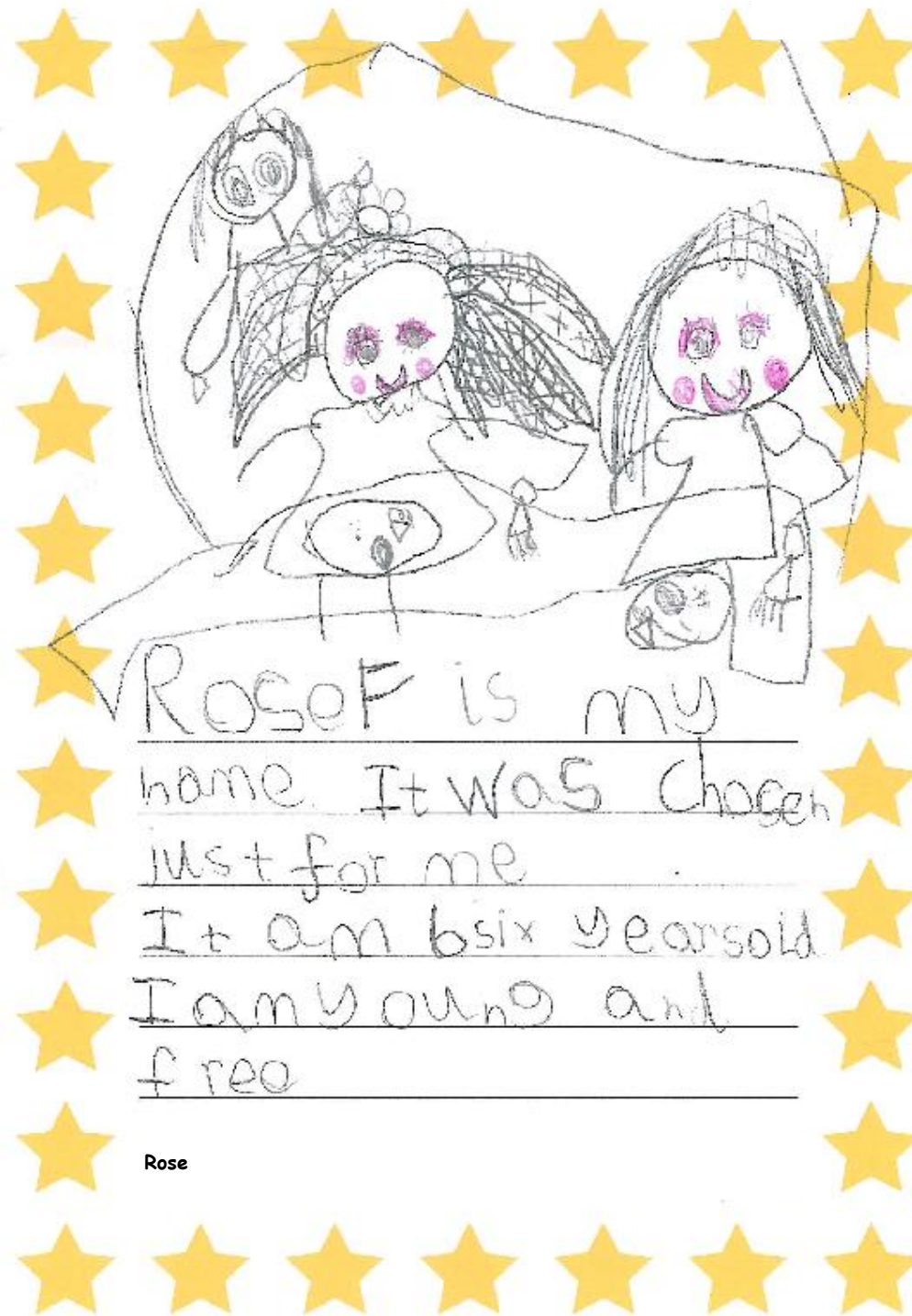
Newcastle - George and Nina



Year 1



England - Kai and Rose



Rose



Scotland - Elizabeth and Ollie



Year 2



Wales - Louie and Olivia



The ferocious
His wings are as big as the
planets and moon. He breathes
fire and blows out mini suns.
He is as big as Jupiter.
He is stronger than a giant.
He is the king of dragons!



Louie



Northern Ireland, Demre and James

Year 3



Southern Europe - Heidi and Leo



Flying Kitty

The Flying Kitty known as the pulley creature. It's an unusual creature and it belongs to the elf world. Its main purpose is to turn passed by up-side-down like a bat.

Habitat

These curious flying creatures little in lodge groups in shady areas within the rocky hills.

Appearance

The Flying Kitty resembles a yellow cat, but on closer inspection in the darkness you can see it's 13 colourfull wings all on the sides of its body. It has two ginger coloured ears and black whiskers as thin as wire.

How to spot a Flying Kitty?

Due to it's exact camouflage the Flying Kitty is extremely difficult to spot.

Amelia



Northern Europe - Amelia and Erin



Year 4



Africa - Emilie and Fraser



History Debate

Did Queen Mary I deserve the name 'bloody mary'?

Queen Mary I was the first queen of England in 1553. She ruled for five years and in that time she killed 283 people. After this action, she got the title 'bloody mary'. Many people think she should deserve the title, many do not.

The people who think she should deserve the title think this. She executed over 300 protestants. She was known for being cruel and she burned people to the stake for no reason. These executions were known to be the Marian persecutions. That's what they think.

The others think this. She didn't have time to repair from most of her family. She had a hard childhood and her father divorced her mother. Her father killed over 57,000 people. Mary believed she was saving people's souls. Her father executed far more than her. That's what they think.

In my opinion she should be called that because she killed people in a horrible way. I would rather have my head chopped off.

From Fraser

Fraser



Asia - Molly and Oscar



Year 5



Antarctica - Charlie and Ella



Voices in the Park

I was playing with my toys and all I could think about was playing outside. The house was boring and dull and outside looked so pretty.

Suddenly, Dad shouted "Come on. We are going on a walk!". I was so happy I threw all my toys in the basket and ran downstairs as fast as I could. I put the lead on Belle and got my coat and gloves on. My Dad grabbed his newspaper, and we got ready to go out.

Finally, we got to the park. Dad sat down straight away to read his newspaper. I let Belle off the lead, and she ran free. Another dog came over and they began to play like they were best friends. "Get off you filthy mongrell!" shouted a voice. It came from a lady that was wearing a fancy coat and shoes. She had her back upright like a soldier and her coat buttoned up to her chin. She was marching with a young boy who looked sad and stared at the ground.

I whispered to the boy "Hey. Do you want to come play on the slide with me?" He didn't say anything at first. But then he realised that I was speaking to him, and he was surprised. He said "What? Me? You want to play with me?". He didn't smile at first, but then we ran off in the park. His name was Charles, and he asked me my name. We both went down the slide so fast and we played on the monkey bars for a bit.

"Come on. We're going home. It's getting dark and cold," called his mother. I also had to go as it was getting dark soon and dad wanted to be back to watch the TV. We said goodbye to each other, and I wondered if I would ever see Charles again.

Mireya



Oceania - Maaz and Mireya



Year 6



South America - Bea and Harrison



Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to you to tell you how horrified I am about how people are working, especially the children of our country. My whole community agrees, so it is necessary that you consider the points I am about to say.

Firstly, they work long hours, up to 12 hours a day which many children are forced to go through. If children do this, it can affect their sleep patterns; the later they go to sleep, the less sleep they get. It also means less time to make friends and socialise. Therefore, they should work less hours.

Secondly, children are limited with their education if they spend all of their time at work. This is illustrated by 90% of children not being able to read or write. Consequently, this means the next generation will be poor and won't be able to earn enough money. Thus, children should have access to better education.

Finally, the nations children suffer under dangerous conditions; I strongly believe this should stop. Because of this, 80% of children get permanent damage to their body, some have been left with scars or even loss of limbs from working in these conditions. This, children can get scared of people, become self-conscious and be left with life long health difficulties.

Considering my points you can see how bad this is, and this happens daily, not just once or twice. They have to suffer through this each day, and if you got put in these conditions I doubt you would like it, so please think carefully and consider the changes. As a respected politician, it is your duty to make these changes for the public.

Yours sincerely,

Harrison



North America - Emily and Success



World Book Day

We are looking forward to World Book Day which will be taking place on Thursday 6th March.

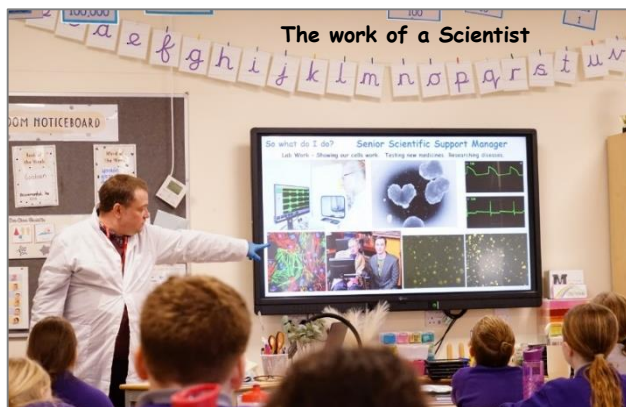
In the past, concerns have been expressed about the cost of providing costumes for World Book Day. So, this year, to support our families, we decided to keep it simple by suggesting that the children come to school in pyjamas. However, if your child would prefer to wear a costume of a story book character then they are free to do so, but please do not feel under any pressure to provide a costume. The theme this year is bedtime stories, so pyjamas would be appropriate, and it would save you have a few pennies.

Preparing children for adulthood

Many thanks to those parents who have taken the time out of their busy work schedules to visit school so they could speak with the children about their chosen careers. The children have benefitted from the talks, and it has given them food for thought about what career path they might choose to follow in the future.

If anyone else would be prepared to come into school to talk to the children about their jobs, please feel free to drop us an email.





Mastering Number @ Home workshops

It was wonderful to see so many parents at the Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 maths workshops. The children enjoyed working alongside their adults on maths problems, it was lovely to see them engaged in their work. Hopefully, the sessions will have provided parents with ideas how best to support their children with maths when learning at home.





As always, I am blown away by the level of writing displayed on the board outside of my office. It is good to see that the writing is not just from their English lessons but is from other subjects too.

Have a lovely weekend.

Avril Armstrong

Reception - Year 6

On Thursday 6th March, if your child would normally have a packed lunch and would like to stay for the World Book Day lunch, please let the school office know by email: emmavilleprimaryschool@gateshead.gov.uk stating if they require the vegetarian option. We ask that you let the school office know by **no later than the morning of Tuesday 18th February**. This will enable our cook to finalise the food orders for the lunch. The cost of the lunch for children in Y3 - Y6 is £2.50 and this should be paid for through the Parentmail app.



Please note, for health and safety reasons dogs are not allowed on any of the school yards. We politely ask that all parents/carers respect this rule.

WORLD BOOK DAY

6TH MARCH

Explore the Crazy World of David Walliams

- Rat burger (beef burger in a bun, sprinkle of cheese & ketchup)
- Barts Veggieburger (vegetarian burger in a bun with sprinkle of cheese & ketchup)
- Gangster Granny Green Salad (mixed green salad)
- Mr Stinks stringy Fries
- Billionaire Boy Shortbread (chocolate chip shortbread cookies)
- Orang U Tan pots (orange jelly & mandarins)



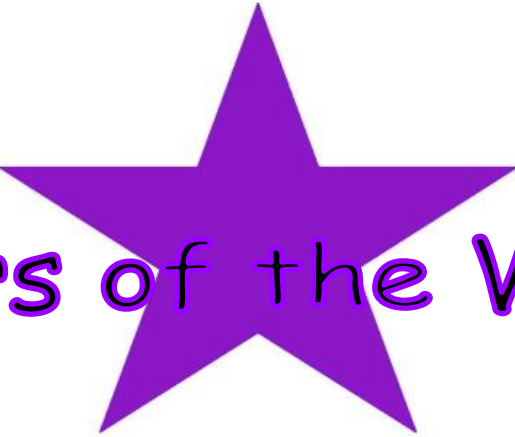


School Attendance - Week Ending 31.01.25

Year 6: North America	96.6%	South America	97.7%
Year 5: Antarctica	94.2%	Oceania	89.7%
Year 4: Africa	97.9%	Asia	98.5%
Year 3: Northern Europe	98.1%	Southern Europe	99.7%
Year 2: Northern Ireland	98.5%	Wales	96.5%
Year 1: England	88.0%	Scotland	96.0%
EYFS: Gateshead	98.9%	Newcastle	93.1%
Crawcrook	99.4%		

Well done to Southern Europe for the best attendance last week.

Whole school
attendance
95.9%



Stars of the Week

Head Teacher - David (Northern Europe)

For such beautiful manners and politeness in After School Club.

What a pleasure it is to have you in our school David.

North America - Lexi P

For amazing science work on evolution, and an all-round great attitude.

South America - Lacey

For great attitude and fantastic work in Maths.

Antarctica - Max

For amazing attitude to his learning.

Oceania - Eva

For her amazing effort and attitude in lessons.

Africa - Ivy

For her outstanding attitude in Maths this week.

Asia - Alfie

For amazing attitude and super writing in all subjects.

Northern Europe - Scarlett

For making really sensible choices.

Southern Europe - Ella

For making incredible progress with reading.

Northern Ireland - Matilda

For her amazing gymnastics this week.

Wales - Max

For being super speedy with his work and excellent listening ears.

England - Ada

For sharing great answers in carpet discussions!

Scotland - Caitlyn

For her great work in English - well done.

Newcastle - Nina

For fantastic work on matching pairs in maths.

Gateshead - Teddy

For amazing maths and using his number bonds to five.

Crawcrook Nursery - Stella P

For being such a kind friend and for enjoying Lunar New Year!

School Cook - Indie (Wales)

For wonderful manners at lunchtime.