

EMMAVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS



As the Easter holiday approaches, I just want to take this opportunity to thank you all for your ongoing support throughout the trials and tribulations of the last 12 months. It has been a stressful period for us all, but we can hopefully look forward to a more relaxed time ahead.

The great gift of Easter is hope. It is the perfect time to celebrate traditions when you can create wonderful new memories with those whom you hold most dear.

Easter gives hope for tomorrow,

As after winter comes spring.

Our hearts can be filled with gladness,

As we rejoice and sing.

Happy Easter everyone!

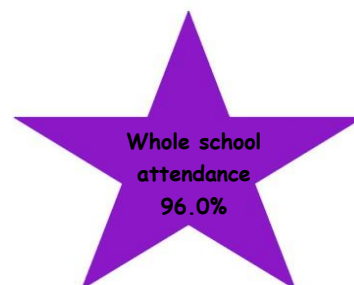
Avril Armstrong

Please remember school is closed to the children on Monday 19th April due to a professional development day for staff. We look forward to welcoming the children back on Tuesday 20th April.

School Attendance - Week Ending 26.03.21

Year 6:	North America	91.4%	South America	97.1%
Year 5:	Antarctica	89.3%	Oceania	99.7%
Year 4:	Africa	97.5%	Asia	97.5%
Year 3:	Northern Europe	94.8%	Southern Europe	96.1%
Year 2:	Northern Ireland	97.9%	Wales	94.3%
Year 1:	England	99.3%	Scotland	95.3%
EYFS:	Gateshead	98.9%	Newcastle	94.0%
	Crawcrook	96.5%		

Well done to Oceania for the best attendance last week.



Date: Friday 2nd April '21

Dear Parent / Carer,

Doodle Maths and Doodle Tables

After the Easter holiday, we will be launching Doodle Maths and Doodle Tables in Year 1 to Year 6. Doodle is an online App that 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 increase children's maths confidence.

Doodle Maths complements the national curriculum. It has motivational features in the programme to ensure that the children want to engage. It also allows teachers and parents to track children's progress.

As well as using Doodle Maths in school, teachers will be able to set homework as pre-lesson learning or consolidation, which will be particularly beneficial in the current climate.

The children in North America, Oceania and Wales classes have been trialling the App over the last few weeks for us and we have had a really positive response to it.

More information about Doodle Maths will be available when we launch it during our first week back; however, if you would like to have a preview, here is a link to the website:

<https://www.doodlemaths.com/for-schools/>

Kind regards,

Maggie McKenna



LO: Write a diary entry to show the emotions of Jesus' followers in Holy week

Dear Elizabeth,

I have been greatly troubled by the heart-rendering events of the last few days. I'll start on Friday, the day that the Son of God died. I went to visit Him but it was too distressing to watch. Before this tragic event, Jesus had talked to us, he was anticipating his death and he even said that he would come back to life! Crazy I know. Even though it seemed impossible, I still had a glimmer of hope. It was horrible not knowing what would happen.

The news of his death reached me early in the morning. It was the Sabbath, meaning that we couldn't go to wash his body, as is the tradition here, so my friends and I mourned all day. It was the worst day of my life. I felt totally incompetent, as if it was somehow my fault, but I knew it wasn't. Not only that, but I felt intensely disgusted at those Roman officers. All I could do was pray and hope.

On Sunday, a few of the disciples accompanied me to Jesus' tomb. Even as I approached, I knew something was wrong - missing even. Suddenly, the ground trembled under my feet, my eyes widened, was there still hope? A deep rumbling sound answered my question. The monumental stone blocking the entrance rolled away, and inside sat an angel. I shielded my eyes; it was all too much to take in. My fingers trembled in disbelief. The angel was as bright as heaven itself. He told us to spread the news that Jesus had been resurrected.

Please spread the word.

Yours,

Mary Magdalene

Jessica (North America)



Comic Poetry Competition

A huge well done to everyone who entered our comic poetry competition! What fun we had in our classes, watching the entries. I have to say that Miss Armstrong and I had a very tricky job choosing the overall winners from the class winners. We were very impressed with how you thought about the top tips we gave you:

- VOICE: pace, varying your tone, pronouncing words clearly and projecting your voice.
- BODY LANGUAGE: gesture and posture, facial expression and eye contact.

Congratulations to the class winners. They are:

Scotland	Rowan
England	Harry
Wales	Leah
Northern Ireland	Sophie
Northern Europe	Phoebe
Southern Europe	Jasmine
Africa	Sophie
Asia	Molly
Antarctica	Molly
Oceania	George
South America	Sam
North America	Neve

Each of them received a poetry book as a prize. We hope you enjoy them!

And a massive WELL DONE to our overall winners.

3rd Prize - Harry - Year 1

2nd Prize - Sophie - Year 4

1st Prize - Molly - Year 5

(And we later found out that Molly had actually written her poem herself. Wow Molly!)

You can watch the winning videos on the news page of our website. I'm sure you will agree, they are brilliant!

Our overall winners will receive a Michael Rosen Book with a bookplate signed by Michael Rosen himself.

Well done again to everyone who entered the competition - you really made us giggle!

Mrs Hamilton



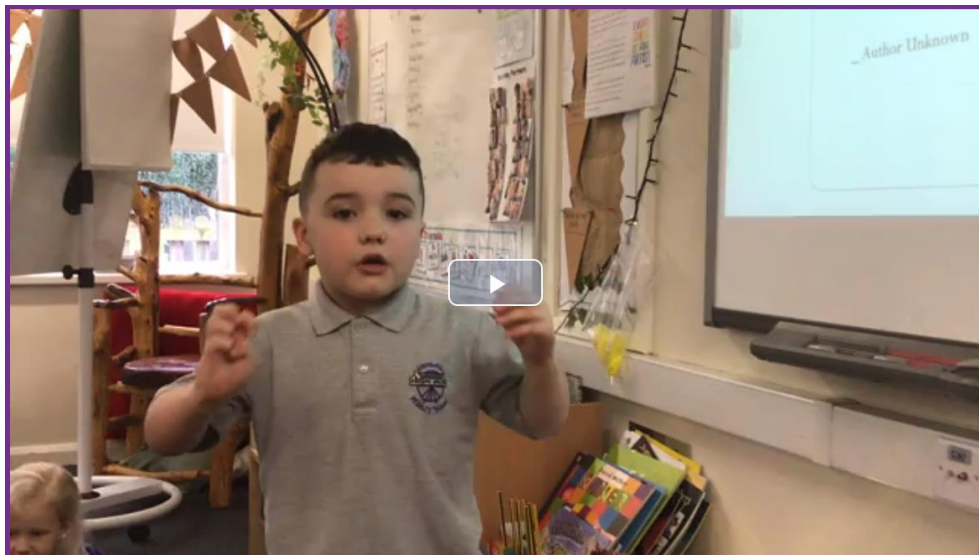
If you see a rabbit laying
little brown eggs,
Don't eat them,
It's not chocolate!

Happy Easter
Every Bunny!





Comic Poetry Competition Winners



Stars of the Week

Head Teacher

19.03.21 - Ophelia for her amazing poem about 'My Favourite Person'. Such lovely words Ophelia, well done.

26.03.21 - George (Antarctica) for showing great support to one of his friends.

North America

19.03.21 - Reiley for making such a super start to Year 6.

26.03.21 - Ethan for excellent maths and mature attitude to studies.

South America

19.03.21 - Isaac for being polite and hard-working.

26.03.21 - Bobby for fantastic writing.

Antarctica

19.03.21 - Lois for great confidence in expressing herself.

26.03.21 - George for brilliant attitude, excellent work and fantastic enthusiasm. Hugely impressed!

Oceania

19.03.21 - Clarke for great effort in his piece of descriptive writing.

26.03.21 - Oliver for a vast improvement in his writing.

Africa

19.03.21 - Sophie for her fantastic poetry performance and brilliant listening at all times.

26.03.21 - Tyler for fantastic guided reading work and always being polite.

Asia

19.03.21 - Ivy for great enthusiasm, quality work and positive attitude! Very helpful too!

26.03.21 - Loic for increased confidence, for contribution in class and huge improvement in his work.

Northern Europe

19.03.21 - Holly for being such a superstar this week!

26.03.21 - Finley for trying so hard this week. I have been so impressed Finley - keep it up!

Southern Europe

19.03.21 - Jake for super confidence in his learning.

26.03.21 - Sarah for incredible explanations in maths.

Northern Ireland

19.03.21 - Delilah for being a ray of sunshine and positivity in class.

26.03.21 - Amberlilly for her brilliant diary entry from the Perspective of Polar, The Titanic Bear.

Wales

19.03.21 - Oscar for having such a positive attitude to school.

26.03.21 - Amber for showing such a positive attitude to all she does.

England

19.03.21 - Oliver for his excellent reasoning and problem solving skills in maths.

26.03.21 - Alfie for his hard work in his writing all about the mysterious creature.

Scotland

19.03.21 - Charlie for working so hard in maths all week - great explanations.

26.03.21 - Cub for his great contributions in class discussions.

Gateshead

19.03.21 - Thomas for his fantastic phonics and amazing work ethic - what a star!

26.03.21 - Brooke for being a lovely member of Gateshead class and trying so hard in phonics.

Newcastle

19.03.21 - Cressida her never-ending enthusiasm and fantastic drawings!

26.03.21 - Niamh for fantastic story writing.

Crawcrook Nursery

19.03.21 - Scarlett for being a kind friend to our new two year olds.

26.03.21 - Harriet for excellent enthusiasm at learning Makaton songs.

School Cook (Lisa Kirton)

19.03.21 - Aleisha (North America) for being so polite at lunchtime.

26.03.21 - Harris (North America) for his beautiful manners.