



# EMMAVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS

Welcome back everyone, we hope you have had a lovely half term.



Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March '25



### Invitation

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2.30pm

The children in Year 1 would like to invite their parents to join them for their Easter themed assembly.

### Gateshead Primary Schools Swimming Gala

On Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February, I had the pleasure of taking a group of Year 6 children to the Gateshead Primary Schools' Swimming Gala at Dunston Leisure Centre.

The children competed in a range of individual and team events, and showcased their skills in freestyle, backstroke and breaststroke.

As well as their excellent swimming skills, I was particularly impressed with their positive attitude and the way in which they supported each other during the gala.

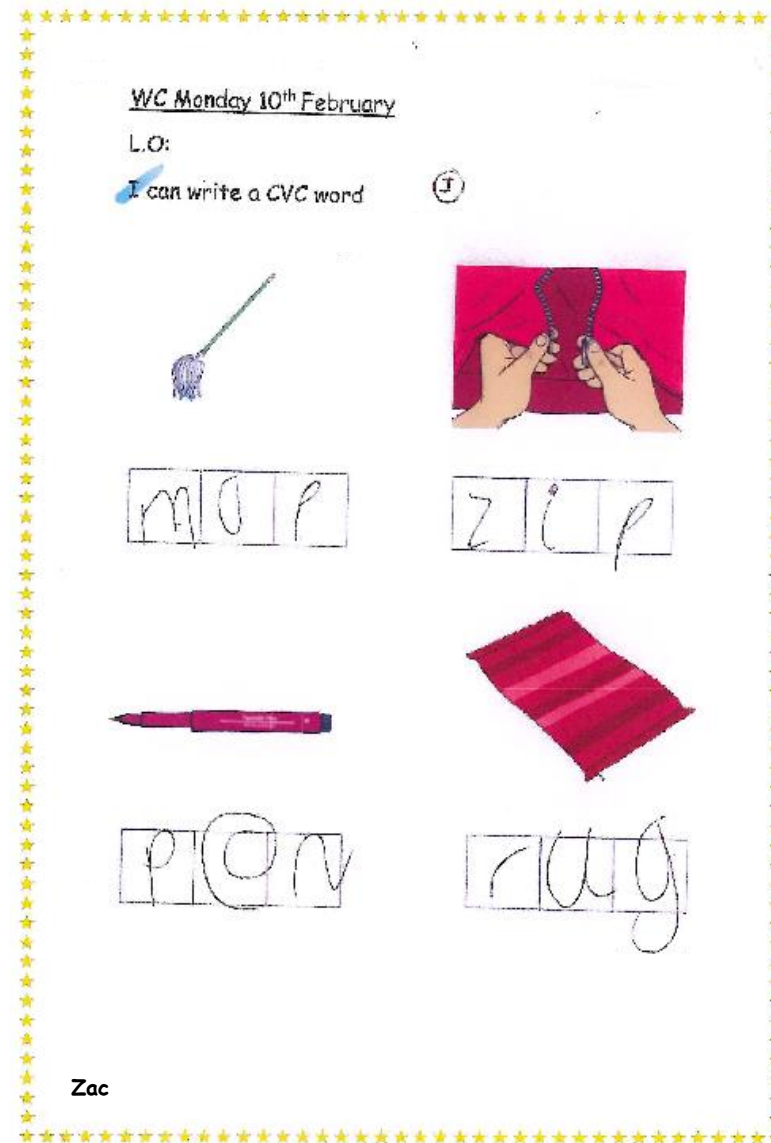
A great afternoon was had by all; well done Year 6!

Miss McPherson

# Reception



Gateshead - Rosie and Zac



# February

## Writers of the Month

Congratulations to the children who have had their writing displayed on this month's Writer of the Month board.



Newcastle - Alannah and Jack





# Year 1



England - Ada and Noah



Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

L.O. I can draw and write words or sentences about an adventure I would like to go on.



I would like to go on  
an adventure to do all  
land so I can get  
done every day



Freya



Scotland - Freya and Harry





# Year 2



Northern Ireland - Joshua and Neeve



Alba



It all began when I tiptoed  
into the wet, cold and creepy  
cave. I could hear scratching  
behind me. Suddenly, I saw a  
hoard of spiders scuttling past  
me. I was really scary. I smelt  
rotten blood as it was dripping  
down the walls. I heard  
werewolves howling at the moon.  
I felt the cold blood dripping  
on my head as I was walking.



Wales - Alba and Indie



# Year 3



Northern Europe - Bobby and Scarlett



## TURBOISE JUNGLE LOG

(an extract from)

Firstly I plodded through the thick forest and collected samples of poisonous mushrooms. My favourite was a red and white mushroom that had a beautiful pattern.

Next I observed some of the most fascinating insects that were hidden under some fallen mossy trees.

After a quick lunch, I got my ruler out my backpack and measured how high the tallest, fatter dandelions were.

Then it was time for a rest. I lay by the stream and listened to the water dripping next to me.

Finally I walked back to camp because it was getting dark.

By Bobby



Southern Europe - Charlotte and Harry





## Torches - A Holman Explanation

A torch is a portable light that you can take anywhere. You might use a torch when you are trick-or-treating because it might be very dark so you won't be able to see so you might need a torch. A miner might use a torch because it is very dark under ground. You might use it in the woods, or at night and more. You use a torch because it will be dark and you won't be able to see.

### Components

Components are things that make up something else. The batteries are important because it powers the circuit up. You need housing because it protects the circuit from getting damaged. The lamp is also important because if it is needed to light up the torch.

### Evaluate other torches

After identifying components it's important to have different types of torches. Since all torches have different abilities of what they can do. Some torches are brighter than others. The purpose of torches is that you can see in the dark as well as that you can also use torches for moving. The good qualities such as: the brightness how big and small it is. Small ones are for small places and big ones are for large areas. And you can get plastic ones for younger children.

### Design our own torch

First we looked at the designer of rogit and see what she wanted then we checked what the materials needed on these torch.

### Make your own

First we got a plastic bottle and cut the lid off it so we could make a lens and put the components in. Then we covered our outer housing of what she wanted. After that we made a switch so we could turn it on and off. Then we created a circuit so it would work. Finally, we connected the wires and tested them because they didn't work.

### Fun fact

Most electronic torches evaluate to have a lifespan of 50,000 hours of life.

### Name



Asia - Alfie and Niamh



Africa - Frankie and Maci



# Year 4



# Year 5

## Stars

Looking out the window,  
Staring at a light.  
Thinking where that goes  
Every day, after night.

The stars of the night time,  
Looking down at me.  
Sometimes in a line,  
They could be a busy bee!

Looking out the window,  
Staring at a light.  
Thinking where that goes  
Every day, after night.  
By Charlie A, Antarctica



Antarctica - Amelia and Charlie



Oceania - Alya and Evie



# Year 6



North America- Amberlilly and Sophie



It was a normal Monday morning when I was surrounded by the acid sirens. My mother and I rushed out of the door, we glanced as several Messerschmitts darted at our very own airforce (the RAF). For a few seconds, it had felt like time had frozen, then all of a sudden the RAF and the Nazi planes flew alongside each other doing crazy twists and turns in the cloudy, grey sky. The crowd gasped as one of the royal Air Force shot upright like a rocket, the Nazi followed him non-stop, he was stuck onto him like glue. The pilot spun sideways and immediately pulled his Spitfire away somehow avoiding being hit. No one expected him to change altitude so suddenly. Now, he had an advantageous birds eye view of the battle happening below. He dived back down. He opened fire on the enemy plane, which had forced his retreat, and almost instantly it erupted into flames.

By Millie



South America - Ailsa and Millie







We would like to share this email which we have received from Georgia's mum:

Georgia (North America) was awarded Player of the Match for her new football team, CUFFC U11's Girls - Espanolas.

The girls have now played 3 matches and are improving and enjoying every match. Well done Georgia!

Claire (Georgia's mum)

## Parents Meetings

This term's meetings will be taking place face to face.

### **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March**

3.30pm - 6.30pm - Y5/6 Parents' Evening

### **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March**

3.30pm - 6.30pm - Y5/6 Parents' Evening

### **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March**

3.30pm - 6.30pm - Y3/4 Parents' Evening

### **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March**

3.30pm - 6.30pm - Y3/4 Parents' Evening

### **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March**

3.30pm - 6.30pm - Y1/2 Parents' Evening

### **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March**

3.30pm - 6.30pm - Y1/2 Parents' Evening

### **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March**

3.30pm - 6.30pm - Nursery Parents' Evening

### **Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March**

3.30pm - 6.30pm - Reception Parents' Evening

### **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April**

3.30pm - 6.30pm - Reception Parents' Evening

**Don't forget  
parents'  
evening!**

## Technology usage

Phones are a great way to stay in contact with people and access media, but a lot of apps are age restricted or have a 'Kids' mode for a reason, to keep children safe. Most social networking websites, including Whatsapp, require users to be at least 13 years of age. We would ask all parents to make sure that the apps their children are accessing are age appropriate and being used in the intended way.

## **Water Bottles**

New bottles can be purchased from the school office at a cost of £1.95.

### School Attendance - Week Ending 21.02.25

Year 6: North America	95.9%	South America	96.8%
Year 5: Antarctica	99.4%	Oceania	98.1%
Year 4: Africa	88.3%	Asia	96.3%
Year 3: Northern Europe	98.1%	Southern Europe	98.1%
Year 2: Northern Ireland	97.8%	Wales	99.2%
Year 1: England	91.7%	Scotland	97.3%
EYFS: Gateshead	97.1%	Newcastle	93.8%
Crawcrook	99.4%		

**Whole school  
attendance  
96.4%**

Well done to Antarctica and Crawcrook for the best attendance that week.



## Nursery Admissions September 2025

Do you have a child that is turning two or three this year or know someone that has?

We are currently sending out Nursery application forms for children that are eligible to start in either September 2025; January 2026 or April 2026.

Your child is eligible for a three-year-old nursery place the term after their third birthday.

We offer 30 hour funded places for three-year olds from 9am until 3pm Monday to Friday for children that are eligible. To check eligibility please use the Government website: <https://www.gov.uk/30-hours-free-childcare>

We also offer 15-hour places for three-year olds in patterns of either five mornings, five afternoons or two and a half days.

Three-year-old nursery children can also attend the school's wrap-around care; the Breakfast Club from 7.30am and the After-School Club until 5.55pm, charged at an additional cost.

We also offer a number of funded or free places in our 'Purple Poppies' nursery for two-year olds. Places are for 15 hours per week; either five mornings or five afternoons. Please use the link below to check your child's eligibility for a (free) funded place:

<https://www.gateshead.gov.uk/article/2708/Free-early-education-and-childcare-for-two-year-olds>

Please telephone school to request an application form. Please specify if you would like an application form for a three-year-old place **or** a two-year-old place; or both.







# Stars of the Week

Head Teacher - Charlotte (Asia)  
For excellent gymnastic skills.

North America - Lilly-ann KW  
For showing such a great work ethic.

South America - Lily-Mae  
For a fantastic performance of poetry.

Antarctica - Liam  
For amazing poetry.

Oceania - Jax  
For being such a supportive friend to his classmates.

Africa - Maci  
For her wonderful attitude to learning.

Asia - Molly Ba  
For her enthusiasm for learning and application of computer skills outside the classroom.

Northern Europe - Charlotte  
For always making valuable contributions to class discussions using her Oracy skills.

Southern Europe - Elias  
For having a much improved attitude to his leaning!

Northern Ireland - The whole class  
For making Miss Field so welcome throughout her placement.

Wales - Ethan  
For such amazing Maths explanation and for always working so hard.

England - Callan  
For great effort in all his jobs!

Scotland - Luke  
For his great partner work.

Newcastle - Blake  
For great perseverance while making his models.

Gateshead - Elodie  
For trying really hard in phonics and always being a lovely friend!

Crawcrook Nursery - Brody  
For playing nicely with his friends.

School Cook - All of Asia class  
For being so polite at lunchtime.