

# EMMAVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS



Congratulations to the following children who have been elected as Emmaville's School Council for 2025 - 2026.  
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 KS1 School Council:

Year 1

England - Oscar S and Tara C Scotland - Oliver S and Sophia M

Year 2

Northern Ireland - Charlie C and Luna M Wales - Harry T and Blake D

### Our KS2 School Council:

Year 3

Northern Europe - Oliver B and Phoebe H Southern Europe - Sam H and Ava C

Year 4

Africa - Henry F and Ava G Asia - Jack E and Charlotte P

Year 5

Antarctica - Thomas M and Lana W Oceania - Coby M and Imogen B

Year 6

North America - Maaz C and Eva N South America - Liam E and Emily T

Miss McKean

### Enrichment After School Clubs Autumn Term 2025

The following clubs will be available this term for groups of children. Letters regarding each club will be sent out by teachers.

Please note that going forward, there will be a charge for clubs that are organised by an outside provider.

If children are eligible for pupil premium and families would have a difficulty meeting the cost of the club, then please contact the school.

Year 1	Dance Club on a Tuesday
Year 2	Tiny Tasters on a Monday
Year 3	Choir - Tuesday Creative Writing - Thursday Speed Stacking - Thursday
Year 4	Coding - Monday Choir - Tuesday Creative Writing - Thursday
Year 5	Basketball - Monday Choir - Tuesday
Year 6	Steel Pans - Monday Choir - Tuesday Football - Girls & Boys - Monday Ecco/Wildlife - Thursday

In addition to the above - Music Tuition is offered by Ado and Richard. Ado offers drumming lessons on a Thursday, and Richard offers guitar and ukulele lessons on a Friday.

More clubs may be offered as the term progresses, please check the weekly bulletin for updates.

### Dinner Money

School currently subsidises the cost of a school meal by 50p, resulting in an annual shortfall of up to £7,000. Due to budget constraints, we are having to consider ways to decrease this shortfall. After careful consideration, the Governing Body has taken the decision to raise the cost of a school meal to £2.90. The increase will be from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January. The increase will mean a reduction in the subsidy school is paying towards the cost of school meals to £1,000. We trust you will appreciate and support the reason behind the decision.

### School Term Dates 2025/2026

	Start of term	Half Term	Last day of term
Autumn Term	01.09.25	27.10.25 - 31.10.25	18.12.25
Spring Term	05.01.26	23.02.26 - 27.02.26	02.04.26
Summer Term	20.04.26	25.05.26 - 29.05.26	17.7.26

All dates are inclusive.

In addition to the above dates, school will be closed to pupils on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2025 (Bank Holiday).

Please note in addition to the above, Emmaville will be closed to pupils on:

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025 - Professional Development Day

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026 - Professional Development Day

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2026

The start of the Autumn Term 2026 is proposed as Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2026.

Here are some important dates for parents for the months of October and November

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October - 3.30pm - 6.30pm - Y1/2 Parents' Evening

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October - 3.30pm - 6.30pm - Y1/2 Parents' Evening

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October - 5.30pm - 6.30pm - Open Evening for prospective parents

**Please note the change of date:** Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October - 4pm - Miss Ware would like to invite the families of the children who have attended her Dance Club to watch the children perform in the school hall

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October - Prayer Space Sessions

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October - 3.30pm - 6.30pm - Y3/4 Parents' Evening

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October - 3.30pm - 6.30pm Y3/4 Parents' Evening

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October - School closes for half-term

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November - School reopens

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 3.30pm - 6.30pm - Reception Parents' Evening

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November 3.30pm - 6.30pm - Reception Parents' Evening

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2.30pm - The year 4 children would like to invite their families to their class assembly

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November 3.30pm - 6.30pm - Year 5/6 Parents' Evening

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 3.30pm - 6.30pm - Year 5/6 Parents' Evening

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November 3.30pm - 6.30pm - Nursery Parents' Evening

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November - Non-uniform Day and cake sale for Children in Need

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2.30pm - The year 6 children would like to invite their families to their class assembly

Enjoy the weekend when it arrives,

Avril Armstrong



Please can we ask that your child does not bring a spray water bottle to school, as children have been spraying one another in the classes. A clear, plastic bottle filled with water should be brought to school each day.

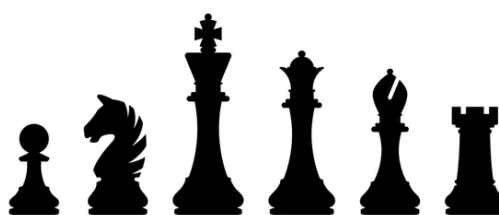
# Emmaville Chess Club



On Friday last week we had the first meeting of Year 6 Chess Club (other years to follow). The concentration in the room was pretty intense for a Friday!

The children all agreed that chess is a really fun game. Chess is also good for improving memory, focus, problem-solving, and strategic thinking - just in case you are stuck for a Christmas prezziel!

Well done to Joshua and Maaz for helping to set up the club and for patiently offering their help and assistance to our novice chess players.



## School Attendance - Week Ending 26.09.25

Year 6: North America	94.3%	South America	94.4%
Year 5: Antarctica	89.6%	Oceania	96.4%
Year 4: Africa	96.7%	Asia	98.7%
Year 3: Northern Europe	99.2%	Southern Europe	98.3%
Year 2: Northern Ireland	98.6%	Wales	96.7%
Year 1: England	99.6%	Scotland	98.1%
EYFS: Gateshead	99.3%	Newcastle	99.6%
Crawcrook	96.5%		

**Whole school  
attendance  
96.9%**

Well done to England and Newcastle for the best attendance last week.



# EMMAVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

We would like to invite any prospective parents to Emmaville Primary School's



## Open Evening

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October

from

5:30pm – 6:30pm

We appreciate that for any parent choosing a school for their child is an extremely important decision. At the open evening, you will have an opportunity to view the provision we offer, meet the staff from Early Years up to Year 6 so that you can ask any questions about our school.

In our Early Years, we have provision for two year-olds as well as three and four year-old children.

Application forms for our Early Years will be available for collection at the event.

We look forward to welcoming you all on the 15<sup>th</sup> October.

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