

EMMAVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS

Welcome back everyone, and what a lovely way to return to school with sunshine and warm weather; it makes such a difference. Fingers crossed; the current fine weather remains for the forthcoming bank holiday weekend.

We are in the process of finalising arrangements for the summer term and the following are a list of dates for your diaries. As always, more dates will be added as the term progresses.

Tuesday 29th April - Creative Dance-a-Thon

Wednesday 30th April - Music workshops

Thursday 1st May - The Mayor will be visiting school to meet with the Y3 - Y6 pupils

Friday 2nd May - Cricket Engagement Day for the Y2 & Y3 pupils

Monday 5th May - School closed - bank holiday

Tuesday 6th May - Y4 visit to Vindolanda

Wednesday 7th May - Y5 (Antarctica) to attend a Newcastle United Careers Hub workshop at the Metro Centre

Thursday 8th May - 80th Anniversary of Victory in Europe Day
The children may come to school dressed in red, blue and white

Thursday 8th May - Y5 (Oceania) to attend a Newcastle United Careers Hub workshop at the Metro Centre

Friday 9th May - Y1 to attend a Multi-Skills event at Thorp Academy

Week commencing the 12th May - we wish our Year 6 pupils the very best of luck as they take their Year 6 end of Key Stage 2 tests throughout the course of this week

Friday 16th May - Emmaville's Rainbow Fun Run

Week commencing the 19th May - throughout this week the Year 5 pupils will complete Bikeability training

The week beginning 19th May - there will be a Year 6 treat day for all their hard work preparing for the end of KS2 tests. We are awaiting confirmation of the exact day of the treat.

Tuesday 20th May - Year 6 treat day for all their hard work preparing for the end of KS2 tests

Wednesday 21st May - Year 3 pupils to visit Gibside

Thursday 22nd May - Year 6 Countdown Cricket 3 teams

Friday 23rd May - school closed for staff training

Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May - Half Term

School reopens on Monday 2nd June

Monday 2nd June - Y2 pupils to visit Newcastle Mosque

Tuesday 3rd June - Friday 6th June Year 5 pupils will complete Bikeability training

Wednesday 4th June - Y2 pupils to visit the Baltic and Newcastle

Friday 6th June at 2.30pm - Year 3 pupils invite their parents to their class assembly



HALF TERM



Friday 2nd May '25

Monday 9th June - Throughout this week the Y1 pupils will complete the Phonics Screen Check

Monday 9th June at 6pm - Reception parents 2025 Open Evening

Wednesday 11th June at 9.15am - Key Stage 2 Sports Day

Wednesday 11th June at 12.45pm - Key Stage 1 Sports Day

Tuesday 17th June - Friday 20th June - Y6 residential visit to London

Wednesday 18th June at 10am - Reception Sports Day

Wednesday 18th June at 1.30pm - Nursery Sports Day

Friday 20th June - Y2 Primary Enterprise World workshop - Family Life

Friday 27th June - A group of pupils will represent the school at Gateshead Athletics Festival

Tuesday 1st July - Thursday 3rd July - Y6 Transition days to Thorp Academy

Tuesday 1st July - Step up Morning

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Friday 4th July - School closed for an occasional day

Week commencing Monday 7th July - Enrichment week

Wednesday 9th July - Y5 to participate in the Big Sing at the Glasshouse in Gateshead

Friday 11th July - Y5 pupils to spend the day at Tynemouth surfing

Monday 14th July at 7pm - Year 6 production

Tuesday 15th July - Parents will be able to access their children's reports on Arbor

Friday 18th July - school closes for the summer holiday

Class arrangements

Throughout children's time at Emmaville there may be the need for us to rearrange classes. Whenever possible this will be done during the early years and KS1 when children's friendships are less established due to their social and emotional development at that age. The children in Early Years and Key Stage 1, are already familiar with groupings for phonics and quite happily move groups throughout the school year, mixing not only with children in their own year group but also with children in other year groups.

We want to assure parents that any changes that were to be made to classes would be done in the interest of all children in the cohort. We would always endeavour to ensure that the children remain within a friendship group that has been observed by all staff. Children would also have the opportunity to express their views of friendships that would be completed in their PSHE lessons, and these views would be taken into consideration during any class changes.

Friends of Emmaville

The Friends organised a Valentine Disco for the children and not only did this provide fun for the children but also raised £640. The Friends are hoping to raise more funds in the forthcoming months with the intention of using the money to enhance the outdoor provision for the children. We are extremely grateful to them for the effort that they go to support our school community.

Have a lovely weekend.

Avril Armstrong

SPORTS DAY



Thank you to those who have already registered with the new MIS platform Arbor, we now have 93% of families using the system. Anyone who has not received a link or who cannot access, please contact the school office and we will be happy to get you up and running!

We are now asking parents/carers to book all wraparound care through Arbor. For those families who have scheduled sessions with Mrs Stirling verbally or by email, we also ask that you now book through Arbor. Monthly invoices will no longer be sent out, instead parents/carers will have access to their accounts to make payments and we ask that all bills are settled promptly.

Please note, Parentmail is no longer in use.



During this sunny hot weather, please make sure that your child arrives at school with a sun hat, their water bottle and having had sun screen already applied.

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



Leave of absence

Parents should seek permission for a leave of absence during term time prior to the leave using the request for leave of absence form (available from the school office or it can be downloaded from the school website).

The request for an authorised leave of absence must be made at **least two weeks** in advance.

School will reply to all applications in writing stating whether or not the absence has been granted.

School Attendance - Week Ending 11.04.25

Year 6: North America	98.1%	South America	95.7%
Year 5: Antarctica	95.4%	Oceania	96.0%
Year 4: Africa	86.5%	Asia	92.2%
Year 3: Northern Europe	97.7%	Southern Europe	92.5%
Year 2: Northern Ireland	98.5%	Wales	96.1%
Year 1: England	97.9%	Scotland	92.9%
EYFS: Gateshead	95.1%	Newcastle	94.8%
Crawcrook	96.1%		

Whole school
attendance
96.9%

Well done to Northern Ireland for the best attendance that week.

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We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Wednesday 7th May at 9.15am.

SALTO UK
clothing with a smile

Salto UK, our school uniform suppliers, have informed us that the deadline date for the new academic year uniform orders is:

Saturday 19th July 2025



Stars of the Week

Head Teacher - Erin (Southern Europe)
For being kind & helpful towards others.

North America - Drew
For the kindness he shows to all.

South America - James
For brilliant enthusiasm and answers during our WW2 workshop.

Antarctica - Holly
For amazing effort on our history visit.

Oceania - Tabitha
For her fantastic acting skills at the Oriental Museum.

Africa - Cressida
For her fantastic drawings and always trying her hardest.

Asia - Charlie
For excellent writing and improvement with handwriting.

Northern Europe - Jorgie
For fantastic work on the Easter Story in RE.

Southern Europe - Leo
For showing an excellent attitude to his work this week.

Northern Ireland - The whole class
For having a fantastic spring term.

Wales - Mya
For such determination with reading.

England - Penny
For super attitude to learning!

Scotland - The whole class
For their amazing spring term.

Newcastle - Thomas H
For being a kind and thoughtful friend.

Gateshead - Tom
For trying really hard in phonics.

Crawcrook Nursery - Alexander
For being a lovely friend. Playing a great game of football and for trying new things!