

EMMAVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS



Year 6 Young Mathematical Story Authors Showcase their work at Curriculum Conference

Last week, some of our Year 6 children were invited to the Dryden Centre in Gateshead to attend a 'Curriculum Conference'. The children were showcasing a book they have been creating over the half term as part of the Young Mathematical Story Author competition - a national competition for children age 8 - 13 years. They were introduced to their audience by a school inspector who described them as 'trail-blazers' for the Gateshead Young Mathematical Story competition. Their book 'Spot Lends a Paw', is a mathematical story about number bonds to 10, aimed at an audience of younger children. After reading 'Spot Lends a Paw' to the audience, our Year 6 authors and illustrators were grilled about their book by headteachers and teachers from across Gateshead. We were amazed by their confidence when answering questions about the process of creating their book and the advice they would give to other prospective authors.

Miss Armstrong received so many compliments about the children from those attending the conference. We couldn't be more proud of them! A copy of the book will be on our website shortly. Well done Luca, Haaniyah, Carly, Michael, Alex, Lauren, Morgan and Baran.

Date: Friday 15th February '19

Dear Parents,

After the half-term holiday we will be offering the children in Key Stage 2 the opportunity to choose their lunch at the beginning of the school day. Once they have made their selection they will be given a wrist band to wear. At lunchtime they will hand the band to the kitchen staff as they collect their lunch.

A red band - the meat option on the menu for the day. A green band - a jacket potato with filling. A yellow band - the vegetarian option that will be available. Once the children have made their choice, they will not be able to change their minds.

Class teachers will have the menus on display in their classrooms so that children can make their selections. Should the band system prove successful, we will then introduce this method into Key Stage 1 at a later date in the year.

On behalf of the staff and all of the children, I would like to congratulate Katherine Barton on her forthcoming marriage. Miss Barton will be getting married during the half-term holiday and she will return to school as Mrs Wallace. We hope both Katherine and Ian have a lovely wedding day, and I am sure Daniel will enjoy all of the celebrations too.

Have a lovely half-term break, the children have had a productive time in school and deserve a little 'down time' with family and friends.

Don't forget school begins at 8.50am on Monday 25th February and we shall look forward to seeing you all then.

Best wishes,
Avril Armstrong.

WORLD BOOK DAY

7 MARCH 2019

Sorry parents, but the children have made me aware that I hadn't included World Book Day on the Diary Dates. By popular request (from the enthusiastic book worms and keen costume wearers) there will be a fancy dress event for the children to celebrate World Book Day on Thursday 7th March.

**Whole school
attendance
96.3%**

School Attendance
Week Ending 08.02.19

Year 5/6	
New York	100%
Rio	93.3%
Toronto	90.8%
Year 3/4	
Jerusalem	97.9%
Kuala Lumpur	95.3%
Moscow	97.5%
Year 2	
Cape Town	96.7%
Vienna	95.7%
Year 1	
Edinburgh	100%
Glasgow	98.3%
EYFS	
Gateshead	95.3%
Newcastle	98.7%
Crawcrook	90.2%

Congratulations to New York and Edinburgh for 100% attendance last week.

Forthcoming dates for your diary...

Monday 25th February
Friday 1st March
Enrichment Week

Friday 1st March 9am
Y1/2 parents
to join us for
Celebration Assembly

Wednesday 6th March
School Disco
3.15pm - 4.30pm
EYFS and KS1
4.45pm - 6pm
KS2

Thursday 7th March
Y1 children to visit
Warkworth Castle to
support their topic work

Friday 8th March 1pm
Children from Y3 - Y6 will
be representing
the school at
Ryton Music Festival
Children in Y3, 4 & 6 will
be performing in the
Hymn section of the
Festival and the children
in Y5 will be performing in
the Song section

This week's House Points

1st
TEAM
TYNE
1569

2nd
TEAM
ANGEL
1479

3rd
TEAM
SAGE
1408

4th
TEAM
BALTIC
1298



Last Thursday, two teams of Year 6 children took part in a mini-basketball tournament at Thorp Academy.

Some refresher lessons in PE, followed by lunchtime practices were all that was needed to brush up the skills that they acquired in Year 5.

There were 12 teams altogether, playing in two sports halls, so each of our teams had their work cut out; however, skill and determination shone through, with both teams only losing one game each and winning nearly all of the others.

It was great to see such fantastic co-operation and willpower - they all did us proud.

Mr Saddington.





Emmaville's Swimming Success!

What a fabulous afternoon we had on Wednesday 13th February. The Year 5/6 swimming teams were incredible and did both the school and themselves proud. It is many years since there has been a school gala and there were 31 schools competing in this Gateshead/South Tyneside event. Over 250 competitors took part. The afternoon started with the relays and what a start it was. One of the Emmaville boys' team won gold. The medals then continued to flow. Niamh won a gold medal in the freestyle and Conan won a bronze in the boy's backstroke. The team competition was tightly contested, with the ten quickest children in each race scoring points for the school. The boys and girls scores were combined and we were delighted when one of the teams gained joint second place (and only two points behind the winners). We now know what to expect in the future, and hope to build on this amazing collection of medals. A special congratulations must go to Eva who stood in when another child was ill.

Miss Armstrong and I enjoyed every second of this event and were proud of your behaviour, sports prowess and also good sportsman ship that you showed. Well done to you all.

The teams representing Emmaville were: Jamie, Taylor, Joseph, Conan, Max, Dylan, Thomas, Joseph, Hanniyah, Erin, Niamh, Faye, Charlotte, Eva, Louisa and Lauren.

Miss Brewster.



Stars of the Week

Head Teacher - Thomas (Vienna)

For being so enthusiastic about all of his work and for taking pride in his achievements.

New York - Haaniyah

For excellent attitude and effort in all she does.

Rio - Harvey

For being an incredible learning partner in Maths as recognised by Miss Brewster.

Toronto - Emily

For amazing effort in all your lessons.

Jerusalem - William

For improved presentation and quality of work. Also such a wonderful help in class.

Kuala Lumpur - Hollie

For always having such beautiful manners and listening.

Moscow - Ethan

For an excellent diary entry and great improvement in concentration and effort.

Cape Town - Jessie

For being so creative and enjoying dance today.

Vienna - Thomas

For working so unbelievably hard this week.

Edinburgh - Cameron

For being so amazing and joining in with everything superbly all week.

Glasgow - Dexter

For his amazing work in his phonic sessions. Well done!

Gateshead - Eva

For always working hard and giving 100% in everything she does.

Newcastle - Lily-Mae

For her infectious enthusiasm and dancing whilst watching 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' at the theatre!

Crawcrook - All of Nursery

For being super stars on our trip to the theatre!

School Cook (Lisa Kinton) - Ross (Kuala Lumpur)

For beautiful manners at lunchtime.