

# EMMAVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS

### Diary dates for the spring term 2026

#### Spring term 1

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January - Music Workshop

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January - KS1 Indoor Cricket Festival

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January - National Handwriting Day



Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January - Celebration Assembly

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> January - A group of Year 3 pupils to represent the school at a GSSP Basketball Tournament

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January - Y6 History visit to the Victoria Tunnel and to participate in a printing workshop

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January - Y4 & Y5 Assembly with Sam Cree

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> & Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February - Prayer Space Sessions

Parent Workshops

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2:15pm - 3pm - Parents of reception children are invited to attend a Mastering Number Parent Workshop

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February - Y3 to visit the Glasshouse

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February - 3pm - 5pm - Valentine disco at Ryton Social club organised by the Friends of Emmaville for Nursery to Y2 children



Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February - 6pm - 8pm - Valentine disco at Ryton Social club organised by the Friends of Emmaville for Y3 to Y6 children

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February - Safer Internet Day



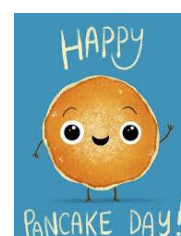
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February - KS1 & Y3 Open the Book Assembly

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February - 2:15pm - 3pm - Parents of Y2 children are invited to attend a Mastering Number Parent Workshop

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February - Celebration Assembly

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February - 2:15pm - 3pm - Parents of Y1 children are invited to attend a Mastering Number Parent Workshop

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February - Pancake Tuesday Lunch



Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February - Y4 - Y6 Shrove Tuesday Assembly with Sam Cree

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February - 2:30pm - Y4 pupils would like to invite their parents to their assembly

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February school close for the half-term holiday



School reopens on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March

## Spring term 2

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March - Y6 Poetry Jam workshop with Bigfoot

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March - Y5 Poetry Jam workshop with Bigfoot

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March - 3:30pm - 6:30pm - Y5/6 Parents' Evening

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March - 3:30pm - 6:30pm - Reception Parents' Evening

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March - 3:30pm - 6:30pm - Y5/Y6 Parents' Evening

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March - 3:30pm - 6:30pm - Reception Parents' Evening

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March - 3:30pm - 6:30pm - Y1/2 Parents' Evening

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March - 3:30pm - 6:30pm - Y1/2 Parents' Evening

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March - Celebration Assembly

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March - Adam Bushnell to work with the Y1 children

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March - Adam Bushnell to work with the Y2 children

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March - 3:30pm - 6:30pm - Y3/4 Parents' Evening

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March - Adam Bushnell to work with the Y3 children

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March - 3:30pm - 6:30pm - Y3/4 Parents' Evening

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March - 3:30pm - 6:30pm - Nursery Parents' Evening

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March - Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March - Enrichment Week

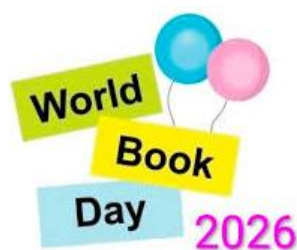
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March - 2:30pm - Y1 pupils would like to invite their parents to their Easter themed assembly

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March - Children will need to bring to school a boiled egg to decorate for their class Easter competition. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> prizes will be awarded to each class

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April - Easter Celebration Assembly

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April - school closes for the Easter holiday

School reopens on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April



## What's on offer to support our families and children

### Wraparound Provision

Breakfast Club	Monday - Friday	7:30am until the start of the school day
After School Club	Monday - Friday	From the end of the school day until 5:55pm

### Spring term After School Clubs

Club	Year	Dates and times
SATS boosters - Miss McPherson, Miss Stevens, Mr Harrison, Mrs Sanderson, Mr Saddington	6	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday until 4pm January until May

Art - Mrs Priestley	2	Thursday until 4:25pm spring term 1 & 2  2 x 5-week blocks
Mindfulness - Mrs Graham	1	Thursday until 4:15pm Spring term 1 & 2  2 x 5-week blocks
Tiny Tasters - Cookery Club	5	Emma Marcangelo  4-week block - on a Wednesday starting 28 <sup>th</sup> January
Lego Club - Miss Stevens & Mr Saddington	6	Thursday until 4:30pm January until March
Book Club - Miss Moffitt	4	Tuesday until 4:15pm 3 <sup>rd</sup> March until 12 <sup>th</sup> May

We are very excited to announce that Forest Adventures will be coming to Emmaville. We are hoping that this after school club will begin in the second half of the spring term. The club will take place on a Wednesday. More information about Forest Adventures will be sent out within the next couple of weeks.

We were very sad to hear of the passing of Val Gardner. Val was a dear friend of our school and along with the Open the Book team, regularly came into school to deliver wonderful assemblies. We will miss Val very much.

Have a lovely weekend,

Avril Armstrong



### Water Bottles

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

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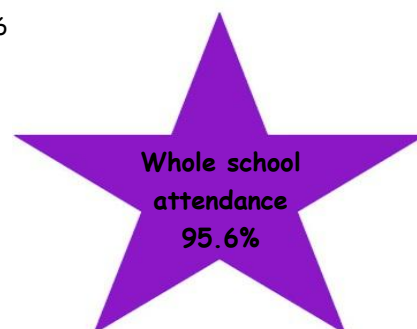
We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January at 9:15am.

Giovanna and Leanne

If your child has sickness and/or diarrhoea, they must stay off school for 2 full days after the last bout of the illness.

### School Attendance - Week Ending 16.01.26

Year 6: North America	96.8%	South America	93.1%
Year 5: Antarctica	97.6%	Oceania	97.5%
Year 4: Africa	93.2%	Asia	97.8%
Year 3: Northern Europe	94.9%	Southern Europe	96.4%
Year 2: Northern Ireland	99.3%	Wales	97.1%
Year 1: England	95.1%	Scotland	95.1%
EYFS: Gateshead	95.5%	Newcastle	88.5%
Crawcrook	98.2%		



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

### Gateshead Early Bird Parenting Programme

Gateshead Early Years SEND Team (0 - 5 service) will be running an information session for parents from **9:30am to 10:30a.m. on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2026**. This will be held in the Saltwell Room at **Gateshead Civic Centre**, Regent Street, Gateshead, NE8 1HH.

The National Autistic Society Early Bird course runs weekly (6 x two hour weekly sessions) for parents who have a child with a diagnosis of autism, or who are awaiting an Autism assessment, up to the age of 6 years old.

Attending Early Bird gives parents and carers an opportunity to develop their understanding of autism and look at practical solutions to managing behaviour. It also provides an opportunity to meet other people in a similar position and hear about their experiences in an informal but supportive atmosphere.

The information meeting is an opportunity for interested parents to meet the team who deliver the course, ask any questions and complete a referral form should they wish to attend a course.

Please could you share this information with any relevant families who attend your setting, who may meet the criteria and be interested in finding out more.

Should they wish to attend the information meeting, please could they let us know by email so that we are aware of how many families may be joining us ([hannahvictory@gateshead.gov.uk](mailto:hannahvictory@gateshead.gov.uk) or [kimberleymchugh@gateshead.gov.uk](mailto:kimberleymchugh@gateshead.gov.uk) )

If you are unsure whether this course would be suitable for you, please contact our SENCOs Maggie McKenna or Deborah Mackay via the school office 0191 413 2460.

*Maggie McKenna*

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