

EMMAVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have enjoyed welcoming all of the children back to school after the Easter holiday, they have settled into the school routines very well and are ready to get on with their learning. You can expect to find this term's topic webs in next week's bulletin along with the creative homework options for this term. We are always very pleased with the support that the children receive from home with their topic work, phonics, reading, spellings and learning facts such as times tables, thank you for this.

School Website

Mr Saddington has been busy updating the school website; please take time to view the dance festival video and photographs. There are also some lovely photographs that he has taken of the Peace Child performance and of the London residential visit. These are only a few of the recent updates.

Enrichment Weeks

This term we will be having two enrichment weeks, one in the first half term, the second in June. The reason for this being that we had to cancel the spring term enrichment week due to adverse weather, it is really annoying when the weather affects our plans!

An incredible amount of planning goes into the enrichment weeks and we try to book a range of outside providers who will enhance the learning and skills of the children. This being the case we didn't want the children to miss out on the things we had planned for them.

Statutory Assessments

In the summer term the children in various key stages have to be assessed through statutory assessments determined by the Government. I have included the dates of these assessment weeks in the diary list. It is very important that children have good attendance at school at all times but it is particularly crucial that they don't miss school during the weeks that tests and screens take place.

The end of Key Stage 1 assessments take place over a much longer period of time during the summer term so no specific weeks have been included in the diary dates for these assessments. Therefore should you have any queries about any of the assessments that your child/children may be involved in during this term, then please either speak to your child's/children's class teacher or get in touch with myself.

Parent information meetings in respect of statutory assessments have been planned for this term, dates of these meetings will either be included in the list to follow or future weekly bulletins.

School Uniform

We have had an enquiry this week about where the purple gingham summer dresses can be purchased from. They can be bought from the following shops in ages up to 12/13: Sainsbury, Marks and Spencer, Matalan and John Lewis.

Building Work

Work is progressing on the new extension and I appreciate the fact that the children have responded well to the reduction in space that they have in the KS2 playground during break times. Hopefully we will have good weather this term so that the children can have access to the playing fields; this will then offer them greater space for a variety of sports and activities. I have also promised the Y6 children that they will be the first to visit the new classroom spaces as they are most put out about the fact that they will not have the opportunity to be taught in the new rooms!

Governance

We currently have a space on the Governing Body for a Parent Governor. If anyone would be interested in becoming a Governor then please submit a letter of application to the Chair of Governors, Mr Bill Purvis. All letters of interest can be left for Mr Purvis at the school office. Should we have a number of interested parents then an election will take place.

Dairy Dates

The following is a list of diary dates for the term but don't forget more dates will be added as the term progresses, so please keep a careful eye on the weekly bulletin.

- **School Closure** - Please note that the school will be closed to the children and staff on the following date:
Friday 22nd June 2018

Summer term diary dates

First half-term

- Tuesday 17th April - 9am
KS1 Assembly with Sam Cree
- Tuesday 17th April - 1.30pm
A group of Y4 pupils to Thorp Academy for a construction session (GP1)
- Wednesday 18th April - 9am
KS2 Assembly with Sam Cree
- Wednesday 18th April - 9am
Y5 On Road Cycle Training
- Wednesday 18th April - 1pm - 3pm
Y2 Basketball Coaching (12 weeks)
- Thursday 19th April - 10am
Little Kickers Football Coaching for the Reception Pupils (1st session)
- Thursday 19th April - 1pm - 3pm
Cricket Coaching for the Y1 Pupils (1st session)
- Friday 20th April - 1pm
Y5 pupils to Thorp Academy for a Rounder's Festival
- Friday 20th April
The children of Glasgow and Edinburgh will be visiting Crawcrook Library
- Tuesday 24th April - 1.30pm
A group of Y4 pupils to Thorp Academy for a construction session (GP2)
- Wednesday 25th April - 9am
KS1 & 2 Open the Book Assembly
- Monday 30th April - 9am
A group of Y3 pupils to Thorp Academy for a trampoline session
- Monday 30th April - 3.30pm
Y6 Parents are invited to attend a SATs information meeting
- Friday 4th May - 9am
Y1/2 Parents and Carers to join us for Celebration Assembly. Refreshments will be served following the assembly
- Friday 4th May - 1.30pm
Y5/6 Fitness Challenge at Thorp Academy
- Wednesday 9th May - 9am
KS1 & 2 Open the Book Assembly

- Friday 11th May - 9.15am
Kuala Lumpur's Class Assembly. Refreshments will be served following the assembly
- Friday 11th May
Y6 to Tynemouth for the day (where they may be involved in something rather adventurous)!
- **Monday 14th May - Thursday 17th May - KS2 Statutory Tests**
- Wednesday 16th May - Thursday 17th May
Y4 Residential visit to Broomley Grange
- Friday 18th May
It's a real Royal Wedding event. Come dressed in your wedding finery and enjoy the day celebrating the forthcoming wedding of Prince Harry and Meghan Markel. Throughout the day the Y3, 4 & 5 children will be involved in wedding themed workshops with Bigfoot Theatre Company.
- Friday 18th May
We have planned a little surprise for the Y6 children for the evening of the 18th May, more details at a later date, but the children will need to keep the whole of the evening free.
- Monday 21st May - Friday 25th May
Enrichment Week, a Sporty/Healthy theme
- Monday 21st May - 3.15pm
Y6 Parents' Meeting re France residential visit
- Wednesday 23rd, Thursday 24th and Friday 25th May
The wonderful author Adam Bushnell will be in school to work with the children
- Wednesday 23rd May - 9am
KS1 & 2 Open the Book Assembly
- Friday 25th May
KS1 children to participate in the Saltwell Park Fun Run
- Friday 25th May - 2.30pm
Y3, 4, 5 & 6 parents and carers are invited to attend an assembly led by Adam Bushnell. The children will be showcasing the work that they have completed with Adam throughout his 3 day visit.
- **Friday 25th May - School closes for half term**

Second half-term

- **Monday 4th June - School reopens**
- Monday 4th June - Friday 8th June
Y6 pupils' residential visit to France
- Monday 4th, Tuesday 5th & Wednesday 6th June
Prayer Space
- Friday 8th June - 9.15am
Jerusalem's Class Assembly. Refreshments will be served following the assembly
- Friday 8th June
Y5 (and those Y6 pupils who are not going to France) to spend the day at Clara Vale
- Friday 8th June - 1pm
Y4 to Thorp Academy for a Quadkids Festival

- **Monday 11th June - Friday 15th June - Y1 Phonics Screen Check**
- Monday 11th June - 9.30am
Y5 Art Project with Sam Statt from Thorp Academy (1st of 3 sessions)
- Tuesday 12th June
Y5/6 pupils to work with the Bigfoot Theatre group on, Macbeth Play in a Day
- Wednesday 13th June - 9am
KS1 & 2 Open the Book Assembly
- Thursday 14th June - Thursday 21st June
Enrichment Week from the spring term that had to be cancelled as a result of adverse weather. Arts theme
- Thursday 14th June
Lempen Puppet Theatre Company to perform for the children
- Monday 18th June - 3.30pm - 6.30pm
KS2 Parents' Evening
- Wednesday 20th June - 3.30pm - 6.30pm
KS2 Parents' Evening
- Thursday 21st June - 9.15am
Toronto's Class Assembly. Refreshments will be served following the assembly
- **Friday 22nd June - School closed for an occasional day**
- Monday 25th June - 3.30pm - 6.30pm
EYFS Parents' Evening
- Tuesday 26th, Wednesday 27th, Thursday 28th June
Y6 Transition days at Thorp Academy
- Tuesday 26th June
A group of 20 Y3/4 children will participate in an event at Cardinal Hume School
- Wednesday 27th June - 9am
KS1 & 2 Open the Book Assembly
- Wednesday 27th June
Step up Morning (all children will spend the morning with the adult who will be teaching them in September)
- Wednesday 27th June - 3.30pm - 6.30pm
EYFS Parents' Evening
- Thursday 28th June - 1.30pm
The Y3/4 children will travel to the Empire Theatre in Sunderland to watch a performance of 'Awful Auntie' based on the book by David Walliams
- Friday 29th June
Children from Y3 - Y6 will represent the school at the Gateshead Athletics Festival
- Monday 2nd July - 3.30pm - 6.30pm
KS1 Parents' Evening
- Tuesday 3rd July - 9am
KS1 Assembly with Sam Cree

- Tuesday 3rd July - 9.30am
Y3 - Y6 Sports Day
- Tuesday 3rd July - 1.30pm
Y1 - Y2 Sports Day
- Wednesday 4th July
KS2 Assembly with Sam Cree
- Wednesday 4th July - 10.30am
EYFS Sports Day
- Wednesday 4th July - Morning
Rugby Tournament at Highfield Primary School for the Y3/4 children
- Wednesday 4th July - Afternoon
Rugby Tournament at Highfield Primary School for the Y5/6 children
- Wednesday 4th July - 3.30pm - 6.30pm
KS1 Parents' Evening
- Wednesday 4th July
Last Toddler Group session for the year
- Thursday 5th July - 9.30am
Second date for Y3 - Y6 Sports Day if the weather impacts upon the plans for the 3rd July
- Thursday 5th July - 1.30pm
Second date for Y1 - Y2 Sports Day if the weather impacts upon the plans for the 3rd July
- Friday 6th July - 9.15am
New York's Class Assembly. Refreshments will be served following the assembly
- Friday 6th July - 10.30am
Second date for EYFS Sports Day if the weather impacts upon the plans for the 4th July
- Wednesday 11th July
Y5 children to visit York to see a production of Macbeth in Shakespeare's Rose Theatre
- Wednesday 11th July - 9am
KS1 & 2 Open the Book Assembly
- Thursday 12th July - 10am
Y6 pupils to Thorp Academy for Futsal
- Friday 13th July - 9.15am
Glasgow's Class Assembly. Refreshments will be served following the assembly
- Friday 13th July - 1pm
Y6 to Thorp Academy for a Tri Golf Festival
- Friday 13th July
Reports sent out to parents
- Tuesday 17th July
Reports to be returned to school
- Tuesday 17th July - 7pm
Y6 Production (the Y5 children will support the Y6 children in their final Emmaville performance)

- **Friday 20th July - School closes for the summer holiday**

The teachers are also in the process of organising the following visits but no dates have been set yet:

EYFS - Hall Hill Farm

Reception children - To visit Tynemouth

Y1 - A woodland visit

Y3/4 - A visit to see the Llamas

Y3/4 - Forest School event at Clara Vale

Y5/6 - A visit to a Greek restaurant

Best wishes,

Avril Armstrong.

School Lunch Money

Please remember school lunches have increased to £2.30 per day, £11.50 per week.

This week's House Points

1st

**TEAM
ANGEL
1230**

2nd

**TEAM
TYNE
1204**

3rd

**TEAM
BAL TIC
1186**

4th

**TEAM
SAGE
1038**

Water Bottles

Please make sure your child has their water bottle in school at all times. Bottles can be purchased from the school office at a cost of £1.20 and spare lids can also be purchased for 25p.

Residential Visits 2018

Y4 Residential Broomley Grange Visit

The final payment of £25.00 is due on Friday 11th May.

This will bring your total payment to £70.00.

There will be a meeting regarding our visit to Broomley on Friday 27th April at 3.30pm in the school hall.

Information will be sent home if you are unable to attend the meeting.

Y6 Residential France Visit

The next payment of £70.00 for our visit to France is due on Friday 27th April.

This will bring your payment so far to at least £350.00.

School Attendance Week Ending 29.03.18



Year 5/6	
New York	91.1%
Rio	95.7%
Toronto	95.1%
Year 3/4	
Jerusalem	100%
Kuala Lumpur	92.6%
Moscow	96.3%
Year 2	
Cape Town	99.1%
Vienna	97.3%
Year 1	
Edinburgh	96.7%
Glasgow	96.6%
EYFS	
Gateshead	97.4%
Newcastle	97.2%
Crawcrook	94.6%

Congratulations to Jerusalem for 100% attendance last week.



Stars of the Week

Head Teacher - Max C (Toronto)
For having a super attitude to his work.

New York - Ryan C
For being so focussed and hardworking.

Rio - Archie P
For persevering with some incredibly tricky maths! Keep it up!

Toronto - Scarlett R
For superb creative homework.

Jerusalem - The whole class
To everyone for singing so beautifully and acting so brilliantly in the 'Peace Child.'
What superstars, well done.

Kuala Lumpur - To all of Kuala Lumpur
For their outstanding production of 'The Peace Child.'
They made me incredibly proud!

Moscow - To class Moscow
For their incredible performance of 'Peace Child'. You made us all so proud!

Cape Town - Kaedem M
For being a fantastic help and tidying up the toys at Breakfast Club.

Vienna - Charlie M
For super enthusiasm when learning about Easter.

Edinburgh - Lily D
For fantastic reading.

Glasgow - Thomas R
For his kind helping skills in the classroom this week.

Gateshead - Dexter I
For super maths and excellent superhero art work.

Newcastle - Cara H
For being an absolute super star friend and enthusiastic member of Newcastle class.

Crawcrook
am - Brody J for great group work.
pm - Lucia J for settling in so well to her new adventures at Emmaville.

School Cook (Lisa Kirton) - Luca T (Newcastle)
For enjoying his lunches so much.