

The second half of the Spring Term has been a short, but extremely busy and productive one and the children have worked incredibly hard. The KS1 children continue to make us feel proud with their efforts and enthusiasm for learning. Throughout this half term we have celebrated British Science Week and Big Walk and Wheel Week. We would like to share some highlights from this time and celebrate our children's achievements.

**This Half Term's Attendance**

Attendance remains a high priority for all of our Northwood children. We would like to take the opportunity to thank all of the parents and carers who have fully supported the school by ensuring their children have attended school daily. Please can you ensure that your child arrives punctually at the start of each school day.



Attendance	
<b>Class 3</b>	90.6%
<b>Class 4</b>	90.3%
<b>Class 5</b>	94.1%
<b>Class 6</b>	90.8%

**Year 1: Toys**

Year 1 have been studying Toys in History. The children initially brought their favourite toys into school. They presented their toy to the class and identified what it was made from. Following this, the children identified the types of toys which their parents and grandparents will have played with and then identified how the toys they play with now have changed, thinking about the materials they are made from and if any of the toys are still played with now. The children then went to The Bowes Museum and had a fantastic day learning about the history of toys and creating their own peg doll!



**Year 1: Measuring in Maths**

In Maths, the children have learnt all about taller, shorter, long and short. The children went outside and identified objects in the school grounds which are taller and shorter than a metre ruler, as well as objects which are long and objects which are short. Then, back in the classroom the children extended their knowledge and demonstrated their ability to accurately measure using a ruler. The children had lots of fun using this wonderful knowledge when they were set a challenge in the snow to build a snowman and identify which ones were taller and shorter than others and which parts were long and which parts were short.



## Year 2: The History of Transport

Although the Head of Steam train museum is currently closed, Year 2 were lucky enough to have somebody from the museum visit us in school to tell us more about Darlington's local history of the railways. We learnt about the different jobs people had on the railways and looked at some fascinating artefacts.



## Year 2

In Year 2 we are authors! In English, we read the book 'Wild' by Emily Hughes. Inspired by this book, we wrote a missing poster and then a retelling of the story. We were so proud of the work we produced that we wanted to share it, so we went to Reception and read our stories to children from Class 1 and Class 2.



## This term's certificates:

	<b>Class 3</b>	<b>Class 4</b>	<b>Class 5</b>	<b>Class 6</b>
<b>Week 1</b> <b>Passionate Reader</b>	Aidan Johnson Nathaniel Storey	Rebecca-Lu Higson Smyth Reggie Sansom	Ned Welch William Stephens Killian Saunders	Taylor Bruce Caitlyn Hiles
<b>Week 2</b> <b>Perfect Presentation</b>	Theo Jones Ayla Robson	Fatimah Al-Gburi Philip Bradianu	Theo Savage Esme Barker	North Welch Maili Rashid
<b>Week 3</b> <b>Superb Scientist</b>	Nola Simpson Jack Yarrow	Theo Kennedy Alistar Lee	Tyler Douglas Dea Hasandoci	Oliver Davison Roumissa Mammeri
<b>Week 4</b> <b>Sensational Sportsperson</b>	Garry Norman Chase Evans-Appleby	Violet Allen Jack Geldard	Eva Burton Sonney Kindon	Lilly Milner Christine Harrison
<b>Week 5</b> <b>Tremendous Term</b>	Danny Truia Ava Ridout	Hamish MacDonald Viola-Grace Wardell	Clara Harper Jack Brennan Ayla-Mae Owens	Chloe Oakes Ellis Fort

**From the Key Stage 1 team, we wish you a happy and safe Easter holiday.  
We look forward to starting the Summer Term on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023.**