

The first half of the Summer Term has been short but the children have had lots of wonderful learning opportunities. The KS1 children have shown great determination and fantastic learning attitudes towards their education. Throughout this half term we have celebrated Gardening Week, National Smile Month, International Dance Day and The Queen's Platinum Jubilee. 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	
Class 3	93.7%
Class 4	94.6%
Class 5	92.7%
Class 6	96.4%

Year 1: Mackenzie Thorpe

Year 1 have been learning about the local artist Mackenzie Thorpe. The children discovered where Middlesbrough is on a map and learned about his life. The children had lots of fun learning how to colour mix primary colours to make secondary colours. They created a colourful background then drew pictures of some family members as animals, just like Mackenzie Thorpe does in his painting. Look at some of our beautiful artwork.



Year 1: Gardening Week – Cress Growing Competition

During Gardening Week, the children went outside to gather natural resources such as grass, dandelions and sticks and used them to create a piece of artwork. They also learned about how important it is to look after plants in your garden and what you need to do to help them grow. The whole school took part in a cress growing competition. Year 1 decided to create a sheep using cotton wool and a paper plate. The children watered the cress and wrapped it in cling film to help it grow.



Year 2: History walk around the local area

As part of our history topic about the famous people in the past from Darlington, the Year 2 children went on a walk around the local area. We focussed on the railways and we went to see the Five Arch Bridge and the Skerne Railway Bridge. This is the oldest railway bridge still in use in the whole world. We also visited North Road Station.



Year 2: Extra-Curricular Clubs

After working really hard on our SATs this half term, many Year 2 children have enjoyed attending Glee Club with Mrs Taylor and recorder club with Mrs Park. The children have made amazing progress with their music skills.



This term's certificates:

	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	Class 6
Week 1 Successful Start	Rosina Boswell William Robson	Poppy Schroeder Reuben Rogers	Lucas Abel Elexis Harrison	Lina Xu Nevaeh Gill
Week 2 Being a Great Friend	North Welch Maximus Barker	Marina Adams Sonney Kindon	Rosie MacDonald Freya Haymer	Alfie Edwards Layla Stephenson
Week 3 Wonderful Writer	Ellis Fort Maeleigh Omer	Nicole Eme Larry Welch	Priya Toor Harper Russell Henry O'Neill	Noah Sinclair Avaani Toor
Week 4 Consistent	Paulamarie Hartley Asher Awolusi	Dea Hasandoci Archie Lockett	Jimmy Chapman Isaac Welch	Ellianna-Rose Wardell Billy Liddle
Week 5 Bringing a smile to our Classroom	Oliver Davison Ezra Taylor	William Stephens Esme Barker	Jeremy Pena Nirvana Jelodar	Jimmy Stewart Lina Xu