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	<u>Achievers</u>	<u>Good to be Green</u>
Class R-	Phoebe	Amelia
Class 1-	Sophie	Archie
Class 2 -	Jay	Rylee
Class 3 -	Rico	Lillie-Mae
Class 4 -	Ezme	Ruby
Class 5 -	Lilly	Jack
Class 6 -	Nicole	Amelia

Class Attendance: **Class 94%** Whole school **90%**

Team of the week: **RED**

Well done everyone

*Writer of the Week
Friday 19th January*

<i>Class R</i>	<i>Ronan</i>
<i>Class 1</i>	<i>Chloe B</i>
<i>Class 2</i>	<i>Jaiden</i>
<i>Class 3</i>	<i>Ellis</i>
<i>Class 4</i>	<i>Harvey</i>
<i>Class 5</i>	<i>Owen A</i>
<i>Class 6</i>	<i>Savannah</i>



SNOW & ICE

This week the cold and snow have made school both exciting and difficult. Heavy falls of snow clearly have a big impact upon schools for children, staff and parents. Like all schools in County Durham many of our staff travel long distances to get into school. This is often from areas where the weather conditions are worse than near to the school itself. This is one of the reasons that most schools will close during the winter months as reduced staffing can lead to safety issues. Yesterday we had to cancel breakfast club so that we could assess the road and footpath conditions around the school and check to see that enough staff were able to travel to school safely. By delaying the decision about opening or closing it ensured we could actually stay open yesterday. If the decision had been made earlier we would have definitely closed. I appreciate this delay is not ideal as it can leave parents uncertain as to whether the school is open or not, especially when your child has a sibling at a local secondary school, which may have already closed because the buses are not able to run. However we will continue to do all we can to safely open the school.

Yesterday a large number of staff and many pupils managed to get to school despite the difficult road and footpath conditions – well done to you all and to all the staff (especially Mr. Alderson) who cleared the front of the lane and car park.

**Wintery Weather
Contact Advice**

Please ensure your **most up to date** mobile number has been given to the school office. If we do have to close the school, the mobile number we have will receive a text message as soon as possible. **This is the best way to have up to date information about a possible school closure.** We will also put any closure on the school and Durham County Website (although these may be slower due to issues with the internet. Local radio stations will normally be informed but there can be a delay with announcements.

PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE LANE

We have contacted the police about the cars parking and turning in the lane below school. Parking in the lane causes a significant hazard and blocks access. Cars turning in the lane are also causing substantial damage to the road surface and are creating a potential hazard to other vehicles as they turn.

Holiday Dates

SEPT 2017 TO JULY 18

Mon 12th Feb to 16th Feb - half term

Fri 30th March to Fri 13th April - Easter

Mon 7th May - Bank Holiday

Mon May 28th to Fri 1st June - half term

Mon June 4th - school closed

Fri 20th July - last day of term **2018**

**PLEASE DO NOT BOOK HOLIDAYS IN
TERM TIME**

**Please wear warm,
waterproof coats at school
during the winter months and
have a change of shoes on
snow days.**

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**PLEASE INFORM THE SCHOOL OFFICE ASAP IF
YOU CHANGE YOUR MOBILE NUMBER OR YOUR
EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS.**

**ALL CHILDREN NEED TO HAVE EMERGENCY
CONTACTS THAT CAN BE CALLED DURING
SCHOOL HOURS AND ARE AVAILABLE.**

Pictures of children at events in the newsletter can be found on the school website which is at www.copelandroad.durham.sch.uk The website is regularly updated with new events.

Photographs and information are in Community - Gallery - Educational Events/Visits or alternatively search for Copeland Road Primary School to find the school website.

There are also class photographs and additional curriculum information in their own class area on the website.