On Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May we were very lucky enough to be selected to go to the Newcastle United Football Training ground to take part in a 6 a side tournament against other teams from across Northumberland. A squad of 8 Year 4 boys travelled by bus with Mrs Whaley and Mr Archer, a parent volunteer and football coach at Longhoughton Football Club, to the ground.

We were able to see the undercover training facility used by Newcastle United's  $1^{st}$  team during wet weather before walking out onto the main training pitch where we played our matches.

During the afternoon we played 7 matches against different schools. In our first match we drew 0-0 before winning the other matches with some high scores and a couple of hat tricks from the team. We stormed into the semi-finals full of great spirit and reached the final.

During the final we conceded our only goal of the tournament before pushing back to end up being victorious and winning the whole tournament.

The sportsmanship and teamwork demonstrated by the boys was phenomenal and were worthy and gracious winners. The tournament was well organised and the boys had a fantastic afternoon. What an amazing opportunity for them which will last them a lifetime.



