



Book your class free tickets to *Inspiration* – The Railway 200 Exhibition Train

Dear school,

This year is the 200th anniversary of the birth of modern railway and the rail industry has come together to mark this major milestone with a year-long national celebration called Railway 200 – www.railway200.co.uk.

To bring the railway's 200-year story of innovation to life, Railway 200 has created a unique, interactive and free touring exhibition train called *Inspiration* that will visit 60 locations across Britain over 12 months. We'd like to invite your school to visit the train when it stops at stations in your area.

Inspiration offers young people a fantastic opportunity to explore the rich heritage, technological advancements and career opportunities within the railway industry across three carriages, curated in partnership with The National Railway Museum. These are:

- **Railway Firsts:** Showcasing groundbreaking innovations in railway history
- **Wonderlab on Wheels:** Offering engaging hands-on activities to explore the science and engineering behind railways
- **Your Railway Future:** Uncovering some of the more hidden roles in rail and encouraging people to consider a career in rail to shape the next 200 years

We believe this exhibition will provide your students with a valuable and memorable learning experience, complementing the national curriculum and inspiring their interest in STEM subjects, as well as history.

To support this experience, knowledgeable STEM ambassadors will be on hand to provide fascinating insights into railway engineering, careers and the social impact of railways, along with the latest technological advancements driving the industry forward. All materials are designed to support classroom learning.

The exhibition is free, accessible, designed with Year 3–12 students in mind and lasts around 60 minutes. Please allow extra time at the end of your visit for children to complete a brief online survey.

Ready for *Inspiration*? [Book your free tickets here](#)

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Please ensure that your travel arrangements and staffing are confirmed before picking a time slot, as we have limited availability and demand is high.

We're confident this will be a valuable and engaging experience for your students – and we look forward to welcoming you aboard! For any more information contact earlyengagement@networkrail.co.uk

Yours sincerely,

Early Engagement Team, Network Rail