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'Believe & Achieve'

Upcoming Events

March 26

School closes for Easter

April 12

Staff PD day

April 13

School reopens

Dear Parents and Carers

After having welcomed the children back only three weeks ago here we are at the end of the spring term! The children deserve praise for how well they have dealt with the challenges they've tackled during lockdown and on managing life back in school. They are truly amazing young people who never cease to amaze me. They have adapted well to the new normal and seem to have thoroughly enjoyed being back in our schools.

Yesterday marked a year since the first lockdown started. This has been a very difficult time for everyone in so many different ways. We should reflect on what we have managed to achieve during this challenging period. I would like to thank everyone who is part of the school community for the role they have played in supporting the children. I look forward to next term and the pleasure that I'm sure summer will bring as we move towards normality.

I hope you all enjoy the holiday, and I look forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday 13th April.

Warmest wishes,

Mrs K McDonald

Executive Headteacher



Easter Trail

The churches in Swainby, Faceby and Carlton are planning an Easter Trail to take place during the Easter weekend. This will be a self-guided trail with maps available nearer the time.

For further details please look on village notice boards or email office.whorlton@gmail.com

Class 2

As we reach the end of a busy and exciting half term, it really was a pleasure to welcome all of Class 2 back to school on Monday 8th March. Our Class once again was filled with smiling faces and the happy sounds of children working.

This half term, we have thoroughly enjoyed learning all about food. I would like to say a big well done to all those children who have taken part in our home learning challenges. I have been so proud of the children's amazing and imaginative 'food creations'. Well done to you all.



To celebrate World Book Day 2021, we enjoyed taking part in the special edition of Draw with Rob. We also enjoyed sharing our favourite stories.

During our class collective worship this half term, we have been thinking about Lent and have taken part in the Pilgrim Pathways. In preparation for Easter, we have created our Class Lenten Promise Tree to share our Lenten promises.

I would like to wish all our Class 2 families a well-earned and special Easter holiday.

With very best wishes,

Mrs. Caroline Cawthra



Important Information

Free school meals are available to all KS1 pupils (UFSM) and other children whose parents receive certain benefits. However, not all families are aware that Nursery children can also be entitled to free meals, or that if your child is in reception, year 1 or year 2 you are encouraged to apply for pupil premium funding for them - this funding benefits the school.

Please take time to read the NYCC information which is attached to this Newsletter and apply for the assistance. If you are unsure, it is always worthwhile applying as you may be surprised how the figures add up. When applying, please remember to provide details for each child in your family.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to ask at the school office – all details are treated in the strictest confidence.

Bilsdale School

Since the children returned to school on the 8th March, Bilsdale has been full of smiling faces and happy children. All the children are enjoying being back in the classroom and are engaging fully in a range of activities. We have been very busy getting the garden ready for our next project, Sow Grow and Farm. This has involved lots of weeding, digging and team work. It was very exciting for the children to use the first of their own compost to fill one of the planters. It has been wonderful to see how well the children have engaged in the different home cooking challenges. We have seen amazing pizzas, fruit and vegetable creations, fruit kebabs and fruit salad and some excellent bread. We are looking forward to seeing how everyone gets on with the egg container challenge.

In both classes the children have been finding out about healthy eating, different food groups and Fairtrade. Class 2 have researched James Lind and his work on treating scurvy, they are all eating more fruit at lunchtime and appreciate the importance of vitamin C in their diet. Both classes have been looking at chocolate this week and have been exploring flavours, packaging, slogans and marketing. They have explored words to describe the taste, flavours and textures of a variety of chocolates. Class 1 have researched, designed and made their own chocolates.

I would like to thank all the Bilsdale families for their support during our period of remote learning. It was inspiring to work together and see how well the children adapted to the challenges. As we read our final chapter of Kensukes' Kingdom this week we all realised how far we have come and what wonderful learning awaits us next term.

Mrs Grundmann



Maths with Michael

White Rose Maths have teamed up with TV presenter, teacher and parent Michael Underwood to bring you a mini-series called Maths with Michael. We understand that many parents feel like maths has changed and can sometimes find it difficult to keep up to date with modern teaching methods in maths. Well don't worry, we're here to help. With over 80% of Primary schools and a growing number of Secondary schools using our free schemes of learning, supporting resources and assessments, we can help you bridge the gap between school and home.

Episodes will be released each Sunday at 4pm and Wednesday at 7pm for 3 weeks. Episodes will give you an introduction to place value, subtraction, multiplication, division, fractions and algebra. If popular and useful for parents and carers we may delve deeper into one of these topics in another mini-series. Now sit back and enjoy!

<https://whiterosemaths.com/for-parents/maths-with-michael/>

Class 3

Class 3 have enjoyed being back together both in the classroom and outside playing together. Learning has continued with the remote learning of the first two weeks of term linking to these last few weeks.

The children have loved reading Kensuke's Kingdom. They have been inspired by Kensuke to create



Japanese cherry blossom art, which has brightened our cloakroom area. A darker version of Hansel and Gretel hooked the children and inspired their writing.



Knowledge of times tables has improved, the children love the arena battles between them on Times Table Rock Stars and they have been using the facts in fractions and ratio work.

We have certainly discovered the creative flair and enjoyment of baking through the weekly food challenges, with tempting pizzas, original fruit models and golden baked bread. Thank you for all your support with these.



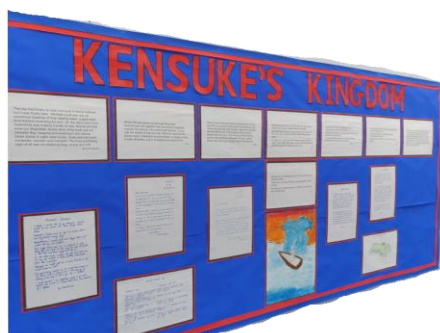
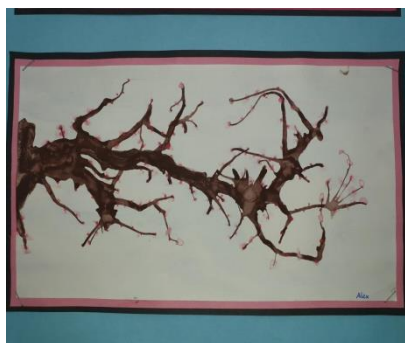
Sow, Grow and Farm

Over Easter, with the weather improving, it's time to get out in the garden. Our next topic Sow, Grow and Farm is all about plants, growing food and farming. We will be planting seeds in

school but maybe there is a pot, trough or patch of the garden that the children could turn into a vegetable patch at home.

Happy gardening and happy Easter to you all.

Miss Jeffries



EYFS

It has been lovely to return to some kind of normality over the last few weeks, and to see all of our lovely children. Our topic has been about weather in the season of spring and about mixing colours – how many colours in the rainbow? – But we have also spent a lot of time rebuilding friendships and remembering how to play together. Once again, we have been amazed by the resilience of our children and are very thankful for having such supportive families.

The reception children have shown some thoughtful questioning as we have learnt about the Easter story. They really enjoy participating in the whole school virtual worship on Fridays.

Little Owls is now full for this academic year – anyone requiring a place in September, or during the next school year is advised to get in touch as soon as possible

Important Reminders

School Uniform

We politely remind parents that Bilsdale and Carlton Schools have a School Uniform, we show below the requirements for those of you replacing items this holiday.

- Burgundy (Bilsdale) Royal blue (Carlton) sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan (not hoodies)
- Dark Grey, black or navy skirt, pinafore, trousers or shorts
- White blouse, shirt or polo-shirt
- White, grey or black socks or tights
- Sensible flat, black school shoes (boys & girls) NOT trainers (which are for sport only please)
- A cotton type gingham dress (red or blue) and sensible sandals may be worn in summer

Please ensure that all clothing and footwear are clearly marked with your child's name.

It is possible to order uniforms embroidered with the school logo and your child's initials directly from Elizabeth's Embroidery by telephone 01642-674973 or on their web site:

www.elizabethsembroidery.co.uk The Password for Carlton is **2007bb** and for Bilsdale it is **Bilsdale**.

For reasons of safety only small stud earrings may be worn in school and these must be removed for sport; NO nail varnish, make-up or 'tattoos' are to be worn and hair adornments should be small, and simple but effective! Ideally, longer hair should be tied back at all times; for sport and technology lessons hair must be tied back with a plain "bobble".

COVID-19 has brought new challenges including, for schools, limiting space for personal belongings brought into school. We request that parents provide their child with the flat school book bag from Elizabeth's Embroidery as this is more than adequate for learning resources and can be cleaned in school and at home. Those who already have the back-pack version are not expected to replace this, however sports bags, fashion bags (i.e. Smiggle etc.) are not appropriate.

School PE kit

Our PE kit is designed to be comfortable and practical. Parents are not expected, or encouraged, to buy expensive items. The supermarket brands are very good value and made to be washed frequently. Bright colours, stripes/logos and are not acceptable under our policy.



- black or navy tracksuit
- black shorts or cycling shorts

- plain black, grey or navy trainers
- white cotton t-shirt or polo shirt
- drawstring bag for indoor shoes
- socks – suitable for the season (football socks give protection for hockey, football, tag rugby etc.)

On days when children attend school in sports kit, they should also bring their school shoes to wear indoors as well as sports shoes which they wear to run the Friday Mile and for PE. It is also useful to give them spare socks so they can change if they are wet.

Staff have been instructed to notify parents if children do not have correct clothing for the activities they are participating in. We are sorry that because of the coronavirus guidance we will be unable to provide clothing for children who forget to bring kit. Younger children should be provided with clean spare clothing if parents think this may be required. Please do not hesitate to ask if you need further information.

Thank you

New Summer Menu

North Yorkshire Catering

Bread served with every meal



i If your child has an allergy or special dietary requirements, please inform the school and our catering team so we can discuss their needs.

👉 Please note, we are unable to guarantee a completely food allergen free environment as foods containing allergens are used in our kitchens.

All main meals are served with vegetables or salad.
Our menus comply with Government School Food Standards.

SUMMER 2021 MENU

	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3
	Served w/c 12th April, 3rd & 24th May, 21st June, 12th July	Served w/c 19th April, 10th May, 7th & 28th June, 19th July	Served w/c 26th April, 17th May, 14th June, 5th July
Monday	■ Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Diced Potatoes Peaches & Ice Cream Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt	Minced Beef Enchiladas Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt	Chicken Korma & Rice Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt
Tuesday	Tuna & Sweetcorn Pasta Bake Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt	■ Sweet Lentil & Veg Curry & Rice Chocolate Crunch with ¼ Orange Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt	Sausages & Onion Gravy with Creamy Mash Crunchy Apple Crumble with Ice Cream Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt
Wednesday	Pork & Apple Plait with Gravy and 1/2 Jacket Potato Cheese & Crackers with Apple Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt	Roast Chicken with Sage & Onion Stuffing & Gravy with Creamy Mashed Potatoes Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt	Minced Beef & Yorkshire Pudding with Roast Potatoes & Gravy Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt
Thursday	Beef Lasagne Fruity Gingerbread & Custard Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt	Pork Meatballs in Tomato Sauce & Pasta Raspberry Bun & Cheese Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt	Creamy Chicken & Broccoli Pasta Krispie Cereal Bar Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt
Friday	<i>Harry Ramsden</i> Harry Ramsdens Battered Fish and Chipped Potatoes Date & Oat Squares Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt	Crunchy Breaded Fish and Potato Wedges Marble Berry Sponge & Chocolate Sauce Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt	Fish Fingers and Chipped Potatoes Banana Brownie Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt



This recognises that:

- Our Menus are designed to make the best use of Seasonal Ingredients
- Our Eggs are always Free Range Eggs
- We serve more of the good stuff – our meals are free from undesirable additives, colouring and sweeteners



Larger schools offer a range of deli style options all available with a range of delicious fillings:

- Jacket potatoes
- Sandwiches
- Salads

☑ = Vegetarian. All main meals are served with vegetables or salad.



To find out more information about food/menus/recipes please contact our Technical Support Team:
 Email: facilitiesmanagement@northyorks.gov.uk Telephone: (01609) 535324 Website: www.northyorks.gov.uk/schoolmeals
 Very occasionally, due to circumstances beyond our control, it may be necessary to change from the menu.



North Yorkshire County Council Education and learning - Free school meals

Free school meals are available to all key stage one pupils and to children whose parents receive certain benefits.

Coronavirus (Covid-19) update

The government has issued guidance to schools regarding continuing provision of (benefit based) free school meals via meals, food packs or vouchers during the Coronavirus (Covid-19) outbreak. It is the school where your child was receiving free school meals that will decide on the method of support.

The free school meal team are unable to offer any assistance or advice regarding the issuing of vouchers or the system schools have in place for providing meals. Any queries or complaints should be directed to the school.

During the coronavirus outbreak, there has been a temporary extension from 21 April until schools fully reopen to free school meals eligibility to include four groups who have no recourse to public funds (NRPF). [Find out more information and apply.](#)

From 1 April 2018 the Government introduced new regulations for people claiming free schools meals who receive Universal Credit. The change means that if your net annual earnings are more than £7,400 you will not be eligible to claim free school meals.

Pupils who received free school meals before 1 April 2018 and pupils who are assessed as eligible after 1 April 2018 will continue to receive free school meals until the end of the universal roll out period, which is expected to be March 2022. This applies even if they no longer meet the eligibility criteria at a subsequent point during the roll out period.

At the end of the Universal Credit roll out period, any existing pupil who no longer meets the eligibility criteria will continue to receive free school meals until the end of their current phase of education, i.e. primary or secondary school.

Qualifying for free school meals

To qualify for free school meals you must fulfil one of the following criteria:

- Universal Credit, provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods (£616.67 per month);
- Income Support;

- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance;
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance;
- Support under part six of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999;
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit;
- Child Tax Credit, provided you are also not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual household gross income that does not exceed £16,190 (as assessed by HMRC); or
- Working Tax Credit run-on, paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.

Please note that contributions-based benefits, including contribution-related Jobseekers' Allowance do not entitle you to claim free school meals.

Apply for free school meals

If you meet the criteria, apply by using the [application form \(docx / 147 KB\)](#).

Applications are usually processed within five working days. You will be notified in writing, either by post or email, if your child is entitled and we will also let the school know. You should continue to pay until confirmation comes through. Schools may be able to arrange reimbursement of payment made while your entitlement is being confirmed.

Free school meals claims cannot be backdated. They are awarded from the date we receive the application, once eligibility is confirmed. This is because there is a legal requirement for a request to be made, before a free school meal can be provided.

If you are not entitled to free school meals, you will be notified in writing.

Universal free school meals for infants

If your child is in reception, year one or year two they are automatically entitled to a free school meal. Parents who are on benefits and meet the above criteria are still encouraged to [apply for additional funding \(pdf / 337 KB\)](#), known as pupil premium funding. This benefits the school and helps increase your child's attainment. During the current roll out of Universal Credit if your child is approved for free school meals they will gain 'transitional protection' until at least March 2022.

Frequently asked questions

If my child is at nursery or sixth form, are they still entitled to free school meals?

Nursery children are entitled to free meals if they meet all the following criteria:

- Their parents receive one of the qualifying benefits for free school meals;
- The child receives education before and after the lunch time period;
- The child is in a maintained nursery provision; and
- The parents, or another responsible adult, have made a claim for a free meal.

These criteria apply whether a child is attending funded or bought hours.