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'Believe & Achieve'

Dear Parents and Carers,

Recently, both schools marked Candlemas, the day that Jesus was presented in the temple, with special assemblies and blessing of candles. Candlemas marks the end of winter and celebrates the first stirrings of spring. There are signs of spring around our school grounds too with snowdrops and buds appearing. There are many examples of children flourishing too. As we approach the end of this busy half term, we would like to celebrate and share with you some of the amazing achievements and learning that has been happening.

Mrs Grundmann and Miss Jeffries

Covid-19

Although Covid-19 restrictions are being lifted at the end of the month, please be reassured that we will continue with our hygiene measures and with additional cleaning.

The children will continue with their hand washing routines.

We will continue to follow guidance from North Yorkshire County Council over the next few weeks.

Upcoming Events

February 18

Water Aid – Non-Uniform day*
School closes for half term

February 28

School re-opens

March 3

World Book Day

March 9th, 10th & 11th

Parents evenings (both schools)*

March 18

Red Nose Day – Non-Uniform day*

April 8

School closes for Easter

April 25

School re-opens

*details to follow

Safeguarding

The Designated
Safeguarding Leads are:
Mrs Grundmann – Bilsdale
Miss Jeffries – Carlton
Mrs Swales – Both schools

Class 2 – Carlton

We have had an interesting half term so far and have been very excited to learn about the English and British monarchy from AD 871 to the present day.



We have explored timelines to help us build up an understanding of the monarchs.

In RE, we are enjoying discussions based on What is the good news that Christians believe Jesus brings? We had fun creating a mobile to represent what Jesus talked about in his teachings LOVE, PEACE and FORGIVENESS.

We have also enjoyed our learning in science, learning about what animals need for survival and what humans need to stay healthy. It was great to learn about the right amounts of different types of food we need to survive.



Worship

It has been wonderful to see the children participate and lead worship. This has included Journey Through the Bible, creation story, parables and perseverance. We have been keeping up to date with world news and have thought about Tonga in our prayers. This prayer is by Honey.

Dear God,

Please send help to anyone in the world who needs it. Please help us to be grateful for everything we have and be by our side when we most need it. Please send love to the NHS workers and bless them for everything they have done for us. Help the people of Tonga to get through what has happened.

Amen

Internet Safety



On Tuesday 8th February we celebrated Safer Internet Day.

Safer Internet Day is celebrated globally in February each year to promote the safe and positive use of digital technology for children and young people, and to inspire a national conversation about using technology responsibly, respectfully, critically, and creatively.

In Assembly our pupils discussed the theme 'All fun and games'. Exploring respect and relationships online'.

Messages at the gate

As you can appreciate, the beginning of the day is a very busy time in school. We therefore request that any appointments and messages are emailed to admin@carltonfaceby.n-yorks.sch.uk rather than mentioned verbally to staff on the gate. This helps us to ensure the messages are passed on confidentially. Thank you.

EYFS

Our topic for this half term is 'Once Upon a Time'. The children have immersed themselves in the world of fairy-tale, story and magic. We introduced the topic with a trip (in class) to the panto. We decorated the classroom, made tickets, labelled seats, and arrived at the theatre for a spectacular, red-carpet showing of CBeebies Cinderella, with popcorn in the interval.



We have then explored different types of traditional tales in more depth – animal tales, forest tales, royal tales.... The children have become skilled at retelling these familiar stories, using some fabulous language. We have made porridge for Goldilocks, built bridges for the Troll, ground wheat for the Little Red Hen, built houses for the 3 Little Pigs and engaged in lots of magical creature role play with our small world resources and princess / knight role play in our home corner.

Still to come this half term, our topic will end with an exploration of different versions of traditional tales, where funny and unexpected things happen. We will learn about real royalty and design a royal banquet.



World Book Day

On 3rd March, we are celebrating the 25th anniversary of World Book Day – with the message for all children 'you are a reader! 'It will include celebratory ways to promote reading for pleasure on World Book Day, and all-year round. To prepare for this we have been thinking about the books we are reading in school and why we enjoy them.



We are inviting the children to decorate bunting at home over half term which they will bring into school so we can make some world book day bunting to promote our love of reading.

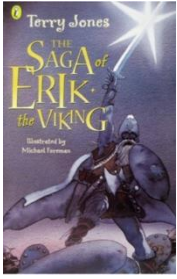
Polite Reminder

School PE kit 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 and stripes/logos are not acceptable under our policy.

- black or navy tracksuit
- black shorts or cycling shorts
- plain black, grey or navy trainers
- drawstring bag for school shoes
- white cotton t-shirt or polo shirt
- socks – suitable for the season



What are you reading?



I think Erik the Viking has lots of action and I'm really enjoying it.

Ryan

I enjoy Erik the Viking because its scary fun and I like Vikings.

Charlie H

I like our book because it includes Vikings which I find interesting.

Teddy

Erik the Viking is exciting and I think it is my type of book.

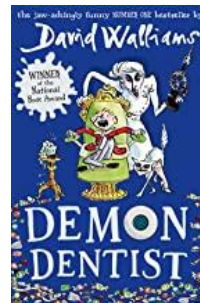
Felix

I like the Demon Dentist because it is very, very funny and it's very long so the funniness will last for a long time. It's mysterious and you never know what is coming. It is always a super surprise.

Seth

I like it because he is like me and doesn't like going to the dentist.

Will



I like it because you are on the edge of your seat to see what happens next.

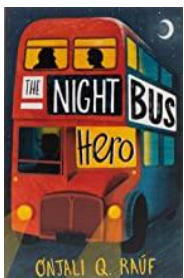
Charlie R

You just want to keep reading on to find out what happens next.

Joey

I like this book as it is making me enjoy reading as I want to keep finding what happens next.

Joe



I like this book because it is a really enjoyable read and there is a lot of humour. The main character is a bully but then he changes.

Sophie

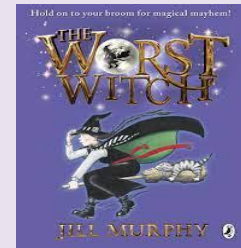
I think this book is entertaining but it has a deeper message. I can't wait to read on and see what happens next.

Poppy

I love this because it is funny and contains lots of good humour but I predict that the main character Hector is going to learn to be a more respectful person.

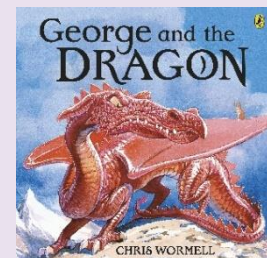
Ben

What are you reading?



This was a funny book. Mildred Hubble, the main character had many disasters.

Henry

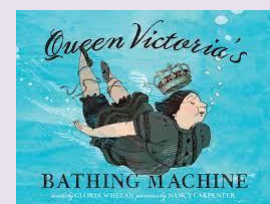


This book is funny because you think there would be a knight called George, but it is a mouse!

Fonzie

I liked this book because I didn't expect a dragon to be scared of a mouse.

Sammy

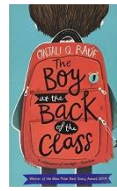


I liked it when Albert made the Bathing Machine for Queen Victoria to use in the sea.

Hugo

I like the book because it is representing the real world but in an interesting, understandable way. I also like it because it's very funny and is a relaxing story to listen to. I really like this book.

Kitty



Layton

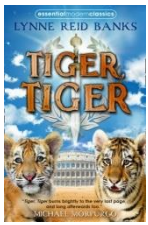
I love this story because it is about refugees and I really like learning about what life is like for them.

I like this book as it stands up for refugees and racism. So far it is like a roller coaster, you never know what is going to happen.

Evie

I like the book Tiger Tiger because you are always thinking what is going to happen next and it contains a lot of action.

Ernie



I like the book Tiger Tiger because it has real historical facts but it is entertaining and is a good story.

Maddie

Tiger Tiger is a story about two tiger cubs that are captured and taken Rome. In Rome they are separated and one becomes the Emperor's daughter's exotic pet and the other is sent to the coliseum destined to fight.

Eventually their paths cross and they reunite in the most dramatic way.

Bilsdale Class 2

KS1 Bilsdale

Our Spring Term is flying by and has been very busy so far.

We have had lots of Fairy Tale fun in Reception, building houses, acting out some favourite tales and also meeting the Gruffalo. Last week we celebrated Chinese New Year, sampling rice, noodles and fortune cookies. We invited a tiger to tea too!

We have been bird spotting for the RSPB Big Garden Bird Watch and have had messy fun making bird cakes.

In English we are enjoying The Crow's Tale in our writing sessions and are really looking forward to our independent write next week. Our reading group can't wait to find out what happens in David Walliams' book 'The Beast of Buckingham Palace'. What will happen to Prince Alfred and the Griffin?

Next half term will also be a busy one; with work on Magnificent Monarchs continuing, some exciting science investigations and creating cards with moving parts. In RE we will be thinking about why Christians put a cross in the Easter garden.

We wish you a restful half term holiday and hope we see some brighter, warmer sunshine now the days are getting longer.

Bilsdale Art Club

This term we have been making a Viking Long Boat in Art club. The children have worked very hard to assemble the boat, add the shields and attach the sail. They made sure they checked their boats were authentic and a good replica of a Viking Long Boat. The finished boats look very impressive.



I like Art Club because it is fun but you still learn.

Maddie

I love Art Club because it is fun to draw and paint but it is also teaching us about different types materials and colours.

Charlie R

My Journey through the Digestive System

One hot day Percy the Pizza was waiting hopefully in the frozen food isle of the CO-OP. Percy was intensely cheesy and sprinkled with lush pieces of ready to go pepperoni. Suddenly, a young man took Percy by surprise and took him home for tea. Percy the Pizza had a big surprise ahead....

After Percy was cooked, he was devoured.... He had entered a damp cave with long quartz swords lining the entrance. The sharp teeth chomped as Percy was slowly formed into a bolus that had been partially dissolved by the enzymes in the saliva.

To his surprise Percy was squeezed into a tight pipe with crawling walls he turned very claustrophobic and slid down the wet disgusting tube, he did not like this. Percy felt like he was in a tube of toothpaste.

As quick as a fly, Percy plopped into a burning sack of acid where he felt a strange tingling sensation all over his body. He was digested and at an alarming rate, he could feel his mushy arms and legs quickly fading as the acid crept. He tried to reach for the oozy walls but the sticky mucus would not let him climb to safety. Percy was no longer a pizza it was as if he had been liquidized. The muscular walls punched him into another long dark passageway.

Spontaneously, he arrived in a wet slimy endless maze called the small intestine. As Percy wandered aimlessly around the coiling hallways of bile showers and enzyme waves which sometimes washed away parts of the liquidly Percy. He was getting tired as his nutrients, minerals and vitamins were being drained out of him. Soon he would reach the colon

With a wet splash, Percy entered a new hallway, which was wider than anything before, but it was still equally slimy and disgusting. After what felt like hours, Percy was feeling dry and squishy as if the walls had sucked the liquid out of his body through his feet. Was this the end for him? He thought he started to see a bright light. But he had perished his nutrients gone and his liquid stolen he was no longer Percy Pizza he was Percy Poop and with one final push he dropped into a clean white bowl..... he was never seen again. RIP Percy, he will forever be missed in the stomach.

By Auden

My Journey through the Digestive System

One day I was enjoying a nap in the fruit bowl, when suddenly five long worms reached out and grabbed me! I was pulled towards a giant cave. The cave was full of white boulders. Not only that but they moved up and down, up and down, up and down. When I was right underneath them, they came down and chopped me in half! A pink river seemed to be pulling me towards a waterfall. Two small holes above my head showered me with see through liquid. I was tottering on the edge of the waterfall when I was violently jerked down.

I was falling through the air towards the ground. Some of my tomato friends were falling with me. "Hold on tight" I called as the ground came closer. I hit the ground and fell through into a lake.

The lake, I thought was like being thrown into a bottle of poison and being shaken around! I was hearing my friends calls getting fainter and fainter. It was so dark. I was being barged at the walls. Finally, after what seemed like forever, I was to be on a massive rollercoaster ride...

The next part of my journey was so dizzying. I felt weaker and weaker every time I hit the walls. So far, my journey been so much like a water park. But that was about to change...

The large tube I had entered was like a hair-drier. The moment I entered it I was as dry as a desert. It took me forever to recover. Luckily, I was somewhere else. In a small sphere. More food was being piled on top of me. Then I saw daylight. I was weightless. SPLASH!

By Alex



Well done Rockers! The children have been learning tables, getting faster at them and earning certificates as they change rock status with some children changing rock status each week. Instead of listing certificates that have been earned in January, here is our current Hall of Fame (10.2.22)

Rock Star Under 3 secs Auden Ernest Kitty Alice Alex		Rock Legend Under 2 secs Arty Jack H Thea Isabel Sammy Charlie R Robert		Rock Hero Under 1 sec Henry J Teddy Martha	
Unsigned Act Under 7 secs Felix Verity Harry Rupert Ryan		Breakthrough Artist Under 6 secs Charlie H Felicity Sophie Ben		Support Act Under 5 secs Poppy Joe G	
Wannabee Over 10 secs Lluna Honey		Garage Rocker Under 10 secs Bonnie Henry T		Headliner Under 4 secs Jovi Thomas Layton Joey	
		Busker Under 9 secs Seth Jake		Gigger Under 8 secs Seth Jake	

Children can practise a times table of their choice in the Jamming area. Rock status is gained by playing studio games. Return to the Jamming area to practise division facts.

Times Tables Rockstars is homework and should be done at home on a weekly basis.

WHAT TO ASK KIDS INSTEAD OF "HOW WAS YOUR DAY?"

Instead of:

How was your day?



Try this:

What's one thing that made you laugh today?

You can learn a lot about your child's sense of humor, friends, and get them smiling by asking them to recount things that made them laugh.

Instead of:

Did you eat your lunch?



Try this:

Who did you sit by at lunch today?

Allowing your child to discuss friends they may have a hard time getting along with, opens opportunities to discuss how others make them feel.

Instead of:

Did you have a good day?



Try this:

What did you do that made someone smile today?

Show your kids that school isn't just about academics. Kindness matters.

Instead of:

What did you learn at school?



Try this:

Did you enjoy art or science more today? Why?

When questions are broad, it's easy for a child to feel unsure of how to answer. Being specific facilitates a detailed response and opens the door for further discussion.

Instead of:

What did you do today?



Try this:

I love hearing about your day.

Sometimes questions are overwhelming. Just letting your child know that you're interested, gives them permission to share when they are ready.

Instead of:

How was your day?



Try this:

What was easier today than yesterday?

Encouraging your kids to notice that their practice is making a difference helps instill a positive self-image and a growth mindset.