

At Carlton & Faceby and Bilsdale Schools we are **KIND**:

**K**ind and accepting  
**I**ndependent learners  
**N**ever giving up  
**D**etermined to be our personal best

Under God's guidance, we teach children the importance of *kindness* towards others, tolerance and mutual *respect*. This empowers children to have the *courage* to achieve their personal best.

Psalm 145:17

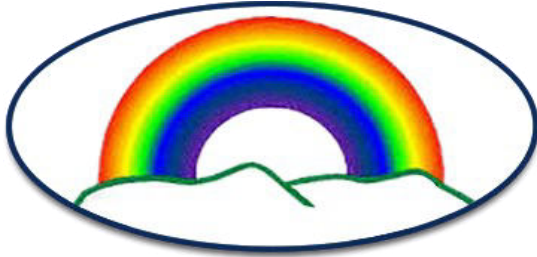
'The Lord is righteous in all his ways and kind in all his works'

Luke 2:40

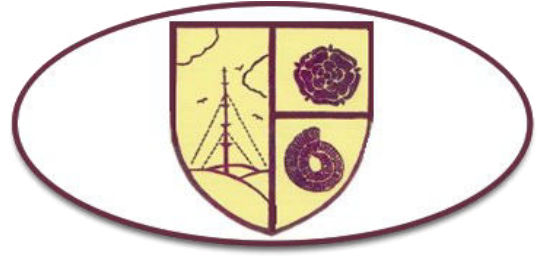
'And the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom...'

We uphold these values through our golden rules:

- Be ready
- Be respectful
- Be safe



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## The Carlton & Faceby and Bilsdale CE Federation Newsletter

Friday 6th December 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We've had a busy week in both schools this week as children have completed autumn term assessments—we are very proud of how hard all of the children worked, living out our vision to be 'independent learners'. A big thank you to all who came to our first 'Stay and Play' session on Wednesday, it was lovely to see so many people attending. Watch out for similar events in the future. Please remember there is no swimming for the next two weeks, PE as normal.

With best wishes for a peaceful weekend,  
Mr. M. Scott      Executive Headteacher

Don't forget your raffle tickets—£1 per strip, cash only please. They will also be available to buy at the nativity next Thursday.

Attendance—our whole school target is 96%.

Bilsdale—96.8%

Carlton—94.2%



★ **Awards** ★

**Star of the Week**—Little Owls, Scarlett K, Gene, Aoife, Lavinia, Harry, Ada, Daisy, Devon, Sam, Jack, Bonnie, Thomas, Bea, Scarlett S, Lucia, Jess, Eva, Monty, Willow

**Kindness Award**— Scarlett K, Alice, Charlie, Bea, Zara, Lydia

**Handwriting Award**—Gene, William, Bonnie, Eliza, Lluna

**Spelling Frame**—1st Eliza, 2nd Harry, 3rd Hugo

**Awards**

**Vision Award**— Tadhg, Dolly, Fonzie, Hugo, Buddy, All Y6

**Headteacher Hot Chocolate**—Annie, Aurora, John, Zeff

**Mathematics Awards**

Y3/4—1st Lucia, 2nd Zeff, 3rd Hugo

Y5/6— 1st Monty, 2nd Lluna, 2nd Jack

Change of Status—Unsigned Act—John & Lucia, Headliner—Monty

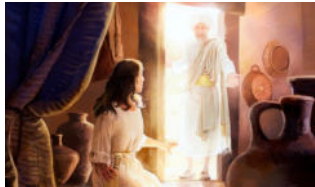
**Notes**

**Road Safety Competition**

Please see attached letter regarding a road safety competition, we'd love as many entries as possible! They need returning to school by Friday 31st January please.

**Collective Worship**

In our first Advent worship this week, we thought about when Mary was visited by the Angel Gabriel. Why not watch this video together which explains more about that special time: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LZXtGZ0rpI>



**Wellbeing for School Parents**

Follow the link below for further information regarding supporting your child's wellbeing: <https://mailchi.mp/064ac50e7e71/wellbeing-for-school-parents-new-online-resources-12728109?e=88ce747116>

**Safeguarding**

The Designated Safeguarding Lead for the federation is Matthew Scott. The Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead for Bilsdale is Rachel Grundmann and for Carlton is Diane Jeffries. The Safeguarding Lead Governor is John Ford.

If you have concerns about the safety of a child please speak to one of the staff named above. If you have concerns outside of school hours, please follow [this link](#) to the North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership website.

## News from the Classes

### Little Owls and Class 1

Another week has flown by for our Little Owls and Reception children. They have enjoyed preparing for Christmas by starting a few festive crafts this week. The children have talked about the four seasons and which colours are their favourites. We have been continuing to practice our Christmas singing and the children are doing so well. It's nice to hear some of the comments from parents about the Christmas songs the children have been practising at home too!

It was lovely to welcome some new friends into Class 1 on Wednesday afternoon to our 'Stay and Play' - we all had a great time and I was so very proud of everyone. I would like to say a big well done to our Little Owls for making everyone feel so welcome.

### Carlton and Bilsdale KS1

We have had a very productive and creative week, with the children continuing to learn their songs and lines for the eagerly awaited nativity next week. They are all excited to perform for you soon! Our Year 2 children have lived out our vision, showing determination and independence as they have completed their first set of assessment booklets; focussing on maths, reading and spelling. In computing, the children have learnt how to change backgrounds and alter algorithms using 'Maze Explorers', setting challenges for their friends to work through. Forest School on Monday concentrated on knots and lashes, making hangings and Christmas trees from branches, wools and natural materials. A lot of concentration was needed and all persevered. A polite reminder to all for Forest School - please ensure your child has a full change of clothing, lots of layers, wellies and preferably a set of waterproofs. Thank you.

### Carlton and Bilsdale KS2

KS2 have worked incredibly hard this week. With great focus and determination, they have demonstrated their learning in reading, grammar and maths assessments and also completed units of work in science and RE. Art has required focus and patience as the children have been weaving using wool and small looms. A lot of thought went into colour choices and pattern with wonderful woven designs in production. Well done KS2!

### Carlton Class 3 RE

Our RE unit this half term has focussed on the Sikh religion. As we have been learning, we have collated questions to ask a Sikh - on Wednesday Class 3 welcomed Narinder Singh, a member of the Sikh community, to speak about his faith and answer their questions. The children listened carefully, answered his questions knowledgeably and asked further questions to deepen their understanding. Reflecting on his visit, which the children clearly enjoyed, they appreciated the objects that he brought with him, the stories he told and the music he played.



## Diary Dates

Wednesday 11th December	Full day rehearsal at Chop Gate Village Hall—drop off/collection at the hall	Rec-Y6	Letter sent
Thursday 12th December	Little Owls finishes for all children at 12pm today	Little Owls	Letter sent
Thursday 12th December	Nativity performance, 2.30pm, Chop Gate Village Hall	Rec-Y6	Letter sent
Friday 13th December	Pantomime trip	Rec-Y6	Letter sent
Friday 13th December	Little Owls Christmas Morning	Little Owls	Letter sent
WC Monday 16th December	Wisdom of the Woods club as normal, <u>all other clubs cancelled this week</u>	All	n/a
Monday 16th December	Christmas Craft Afternoon—parents and carers welcome	All	Letter sent
Tuesday 17th December	Children's books displayed for viewing	All	Letter sent
Thursday 19th December	Christmas jumper/dinner day Bilsdale children at Carlton all day	All	Letter sent
Friday 20th December	Carol concert at St Botolph's, Carlton 2pm	All	Letter sent
Friday 20th December	Break up for Christmas— <u>no after school club on this day</u>	All	n/a
Monday 6th January	Staff training day—school closed to children	All	n/a
Tuesday 7th January	School re-opens for children	All	n/a
Friday 31st January	Road safety competition entries back to school by today	All	Letter sent
Friday 14th February	School closes for half term	All	n/a

### Christmas Trees

A huge thank you to the Barker family who have once again donated two beautiful Christmas trees for our schools. If you're looking for a tree, why not pay them a visit? [They're located in Chop Gate.](#)





## Amazon Wish Lists

Thank you to everyone for their generous donations so far, they've really made a difference to our class libraries.

Class 1 wish list—[https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/38P02L2MODMMF?ref\\_=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/38P02L2MODMMF?ref_=wl_share)

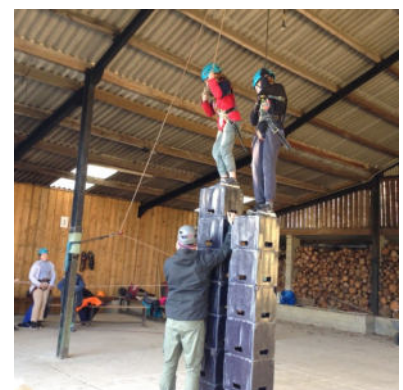
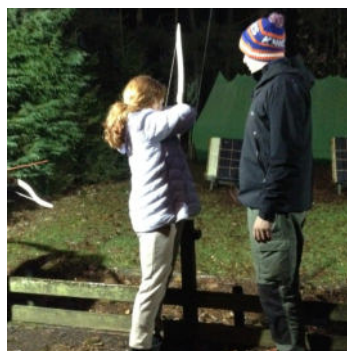
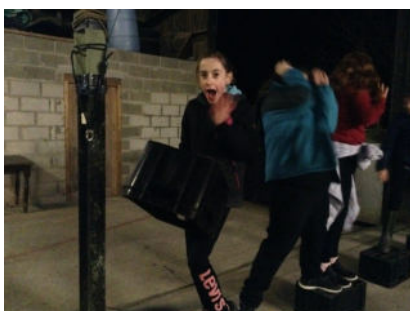
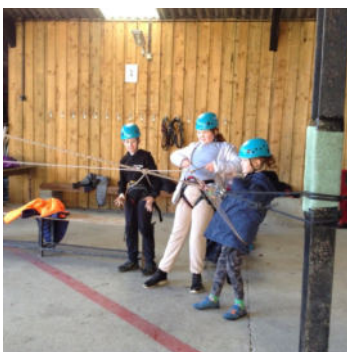
Class 2 wish list— [https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3J2NFXCAPY3X0?ref\\_=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/3J2NFXCAPY3X0?ref_=wl_share)

Class 3 wish list— [https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1D1LRFQKJAL0V?ref\\_=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1D1LRFQKJAL0V?ref_=wl_share)

Class 4 wish list— [https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/27YYASPC0H143?ref\\_=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/27YYASPC0H143?ref_=wl_share)

Bilsdale wish list— [https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/LP095CM3BW3V?ref\\_=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/LP095CM3BW3V?ref_=wl_share)

## Peat Rigg 2024



## Great Broughton Woodpigeon Club

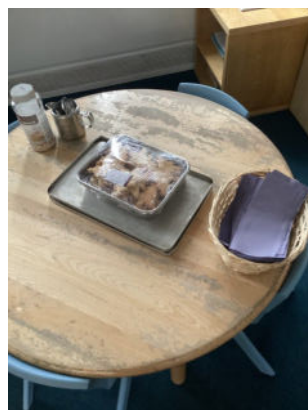
A big thank you to Derek and all at Great Broughton Woodpigeon Club who visited Bilsdale on Thursday to explain about their work in the local community. They very kindly provided chocolates for all children at Bilsdale to take home with them.

In addition to this, they also donated £105 to school funds from raffling a homemade pouffe foot stool which won prizes at this year's Bilsdale Show. We'd like to extend a huge thank you to all involved—the incredibly generous donation will be put to very good use.



## Stay and Play

A big thank you to all who attended our 'Stay and Play' session at Carlton on Wednesday. It was lovely to see so many parents, carers and children—keep your eyes peeled for future events in the new year.







Rotary Club of Middlesbrough Erimus  
President Jacqui Molyneux

4<sup>th</sup> December 2024

## 2024 Teesside Hub Wrap Up Campaign

Dear Supporter,

On behalf of the Rotary clubs of Middlesbrough Erimus, Cleveland, Stokesley and Teesside West who were involved in this year's Wrap Up campaign I would like to thank you for kindly hosting a collection box and supporting this year's campaign. As you will know we sought to collect coats, scarves, gloves, hats and items of warm clothing which we then sort and pass on to charities working with those in need. We have had a wonderful response from all the 54 collection points, this has resulted in 2725 items including 1822 coats. This is a tremendous achievement which far exceeded our expectation.

Since the collections ended, we have sorted and distributed the donations to 12 primary and to 18 charities across the Teesside area. The scope of these donations cannot be understated, and you can take pleasure and pride in the fact that our donations are already keeping someone who is struggling to make ends meet, have a warmer winter this year.

If you are interested in what we do or perhaps in helping Rotary in other ways do have a look at [www.erimusrotary.org](http://www.erimusrotary.org) where you will find more details about Rotary and about this year's campaign.

We hope to run the collection once again in autumn 2025 and will be in touch closer to that time with details. In the meantime, thank you again and a very happy Christmas and successful New Year to you.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dave Whittaker".

Dave Whittaker  
Community Service Chair



THE CARLTON & FACEBY AND  
BILSDALE CE FEDERATION

# CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

£1 PER STRIP, AVAILABLE  
AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE

**AMAZING PRIZES TO BE WON**

**VOUCHERS  
FOR LOCAL  
BUSINESSES**

**KIDS  
CRAFT  
BAGS**

**WINE,  
CHOCOLATES  
AND MORE!**

Drawn Monday 16th December, after Christmas  
Craft Afternoon







CARLTON & FACEBY AND BILSDALE PFA

# CHRISTMAS PARTY

DECEMBER 13, 2024;  
FROM 4 PM TO 6 PM

**Carlton Village Hall**

Tickets - £3 (3 for 2 family offer)

The Village Hall will be open straight after school

Please bring a plate of your own party food

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL CHILDREN MUST BE  
SUPERVISED BY PARENT/NAMED ADULT

FOR MORE INFO AND TICKETS  
GO TO

the school office





Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys  
NHS Foundation Trust

# Parent Exam Stress Session

**A Wellbeing in Mind Team & CAMHS  
webinar to provide information,  
resources, practical ideas, and  
strategies to support children &  
young people with exam stress.**

**Date and Time**

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 5.30pm – 6.30pm**

**To Join the Meeting  
Click on the LINK below**

**Microsoft Teams**

**[Join the meeting now](#)**

**Meeting ID: 326 564 782 395**

**Passcode: eT6Vr3F3**

**<https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/5df51fff-5ad8-4f0b-bb9e-86ad1c31de80@37c354b2-85b0-47f5-b222-07b48d774ee3>**

**Please email: [teww.wellbeinginmind@nhs.net](mailto:teww.wellbeinginmind@nhs.net) if you  
have any queries or require further information.**

*Wellbeing in Mind Team – Team of NHS staff working with schools to provide advice, support, and training on wellbeing issues, as well as forming a link between school and other services supporting young people. This work includes direct support for young people experiencing mild to moderate mental health, such as anxiety and low mood, support to utilise online resources and develop skills, as well as classroom-based educational sessions in conjunction with the school's pastoral team to improve knowledge and understanding of mental wellbeing.*

Joining link—<https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/5df51fff-5ad8-4f0b-bb9e-86ad1c31de80@37c354b2-85b0-47f5-b222-07b48d774ee3>





**Fun & athletics  
for all Primary  
School children\***

\*aged 4-11, ideally not for kids currently  
in a running club

# Athletics Course



Starts **Sat 11th Jan**  
for **8 weeks**

Knayton Sports Hall  
11am-12 noon

Only **£50** per child

Glen Hilton, athletics coach and former England international athlete, will teach our youngsters the fundamentals of athletics and endurance running.

For more details contact Glen Hilton:  
[hiltonglen444@gmail.com](mailto:hiltonglen444@gmail.com)



Location address: Hillside Rural Activities Park, Knayton, Thirsk YO7 4AX