

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

Kind and accepting
Independent learners
Never giving up
Determined 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

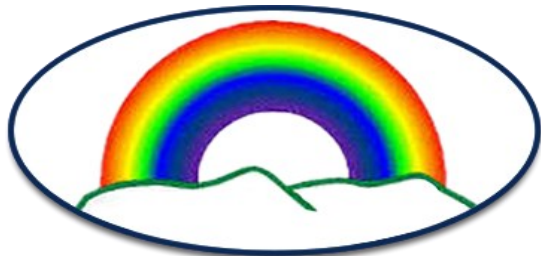
‘The Lord is righteous in all his ways and kind in all his works’

Luke 2:40

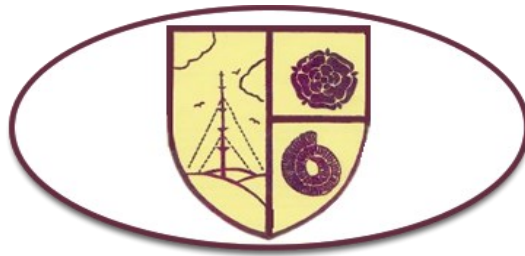
‘And the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom...’

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 2nd May 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We've had another busy week of learning across the federation—I visited all classrooms this week as part of our ongoing monitoring and was very impressed with the quality of the learning environments. I'd like to pass on a big thank you to our wonderful staff for taking the time to ensure our classrooms are great places to learn.

We had further sporting action this week with the Y3/4 cricket team competing against other local schools— a great time was had by all and Mrs Cawthra & Mrs Theos were very impressed with the children's behaviour and sportsmanship.

With best wishes for a peaceful Bank Holiday weekend,

Mr. M. Scott

Executive Headteacher

Attendance—our whole school target is 96%.

Bilsdale—95.4%

Carlton—94.1%

National Average—94.6%



Awards



Star of the Week—Tadhg, George, Lavinia, Dolly, Monty, Arthur, Sam, Lyla, Hugo

Kindness Award— Annie, Cruz, Charlie, Lluna, Thomas

Handwriting Award—Isaac, Eve, William, Zara, Jack

Corridor King/Queen— Annie and Aurora

Awards

Vision Award— Scarlett K, Aoife, Lydia, Bonnie, Jack

Headteacher Hot Chocolate— Eve, Rory, Eva, Devon

Mathematics Awards

Numbots—1st Lavinia, 2nd Rocco, 3rd Aoife

Numbots score increase—1st Dolly, 2nd Rupert, 3rd Beth

Y3/4— 1st John, 2nd Devon, 3rd Arthur

Y5/6— 1st Evie, 2nd Jack, 3rd Sammy

Change of status—Support Act—Lydia, Rock Star—John, Rock Legend—Evie

Notes

VE Day

Don't forget that our prayer writing competition finishes next Thursday—this weekend would be the perfect time to get children to write and perfect their entries.

If anyone has any family links, photos etc. from WW2 that children would like to share on VE Day please send them in.



Collective Worship

No Outsiders this week focussed on a Manchester company offering free food for the homeless, more information can be found by following this link: <https://ks1no-outsidere-assembly.blogspot.com/2025/04/homeless.html>



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

We have had a fantastic week full of learning and sunshine! In phonics, Reception have been doing some great work exploring the diagraphs ur and ow. They have been busy blending sounds, spotting diagraphs in words and using them confidently in their writing - well done everyone!

In maths, we have been practising our counting skills and are becoming experts at counting all the way to 20. The children are showing brilliant number recognition and accuracy - keep it up!

PE has been lots of fun as we have started our athletics focus. We have been developing our running techniques, running forwards, backwards and even sideways! The children especially enjoyed participating in a fun relay race and working as a team.

With the lovely warm weather this week, Little Owls have been spending more time in our outdoor areas, caring for our plants with lots of watering and attention. It has been wonderful to see the children take responsibility and showing care for nature.

A gentle reminder: on warm days, please ensure your child brings a sun hat, sun cream and a water bottle so we can stay safe and comfortable in the sunshine.

We hope you all enjoy the long bank holiday weekend!

Carlton and Bilsdale KS1

What a busy week we have had and how lovely to have some beautiful sunny weather to enjoy. Linking to our science, in Forest School the children learnt about the properties of certain leaves and flowers, then had fun picking and mashing to create a natural 'soap'. They used their creations to clean their hands, then discussed each group's mixes, scents and textures. We have continued our classroom learning on human survival by asking, 'Which needs are most important for human survival?' and 'Which need is most important to you?' discussing their ideas and thoughts. In history we have begun our new 'Movers and Shakers' unit by learning about Dawson's Model. This helps historians decide if a person is historically significant based on the impact they had when they were alive and the impact they have had on modern society. Class 2 became historians for an afternoon, learning about a range of figures, such as activists, artists, monarchs, explorers and doctors, using Dawson's Model to make judgements about the significance and impact each person has had.

Yesterday your child came home with a food diary. Please could you support your child in their science learning on human nutrition and help them complete what food they eat over the next week. When completed please return to school, many thanks. Let's hope the weather continues for our extended weekend, keep up the great work with your reading and Year 1s - keep practising your real and fake words. See you on Tuesday.

Carlton and Bilsdale KS2

KS2 have had a productive week working hard in the classroom and enjoying the sunshine outside. In maths, Y3 and Y4 have improved their skills at telling the time on both analogue and digital clocks. This can be tricky as digital time is recorded hours:minutes whereas we say phrases such as "ten past three" meaning the minutes come before the hour. Reading analogue clocks has also been a challenge for some children mastering the minutes to the hour. Any extra practise at home would be helpful. Y5/6 have been tackling algebra, writing expressions and solving equations. They have discovered that algebra can be easy, they are just using all their previous number skills.

This week, we have started our new science topic, States of Matter. The children have identified solids, liquids and gases with some interesting questions "Is custard a solid or liquid?" and interesting discussions about shaving foam, ice cream and toothpaste. We have looked at particle theory to explain the properties of solids, liquids and gases. Our future lessons focus on changing state and will connect with work on the water cycle and our next writing unit.

Sun Safety

With the onset of warmer weather, please take note of our sun safety policy which is attached to this week's newsletter email. Children should come to school with an application of sun cream, with a named bottle for additional applications if required. We are unable to share sun cream between children due to allergies.

Diary Dates

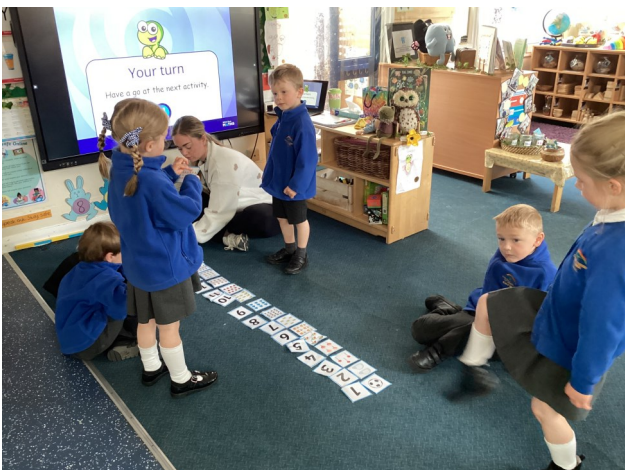
Monday 5th May	Bank Holiday—school closed	All	n/a
Thursday 8th May	VE Day	All	Info. on newsletter
WC Monday 12th May	SATS week	Y6	Info. sent
Tuesday 13th May	KS1 Islam workshop in school at Carlton	Carlton Y1 and Y2	n/a
Friday 16th May	Y6 SATS treat	Y6	Info. sent
Tuesday 20th May	School photos—Carlton am, Bilsdale pm	Carlton	n/a
Thursday 22nd May	Y3/4 sports afternoon at Yarm School	Y3/4	Info. sent
Friday 23rd May	PCSO in school—road safety assembly	All	n/a
Friday 23rd May	School closes for half term	All	n/a
Monday 2nd June	School re-opens for all children	All	n/a
Monday 2nd June	Ascension Day service at Faceby church—children only	Rec-Y6	More info. to follow
Friday 6th June	Sports Morning—families welcome	All	More info. to follow
Friday 6th June	Final library visit—collection only, no new loans	All	n/a
Monday 9th June	Reading ambassadors visit to Waterstones Northallerton (no swimming today)	Reading Ambassadors	More info. to follow
Friday 13th June	Reserve Sports Morning	All	n/a
Thursday 19th June	Y5/6 STEM Day at Yarm School	Y5/6	More info. to follow
Monday 23d June	Skip 2B Fit—Bilsdale children at Carlton all day	All	More info. to follow
Tuesday 24th June	Y5/6 Roseberry Topping trip	Y5/6	More info. to follow
Wednesday 2nd July	All day rehearsal at Chop Gate	Rec-Y6	More info. to follow
Thursday 3rd July	Production at Chop Gate, 6pm	Rec-Y6	More info. to follow
Wed 9th—Fri 11th July	Stokesley School transition	Y6	n/a
Tuesday 15th July	Y5 at Stokesley School Sister Act performance	Y5	More info. to follow
Thursday 17th July	Leavers services—10am Carlton, 2pm Bilsdale. Families welcome	Leavers	More info. to follow
Friday 18th July	School closes for summer. No after school care today.	All	n/a

VE Day

Year 3 and 4 children at Bilsdale visited the Chop Gate war memorial yesterday to deliver some decorations they had made in preparation for the VE Day celebrations next week. On the day itself the children will visit the war memorial and read their entries from the prayer writing competition.



This week in EYFS



LEARN TO SAVE A LIFE



CPR & DEFIBRILLATOR AWARENESS TRAINING

JUNE 11TH, 7:30PM FACEBY VILLAGE HALL



EVERYONE WELCOME – NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED!

Gain the confidence to act when it counts.

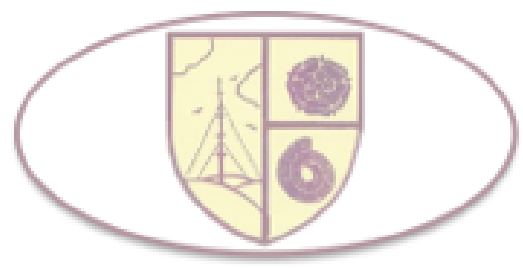
BE PREPARED. BE INFORMED. BE A LIFESAVER.

If you'd like to attend please let Sue Williams
know on 07870331730.



The Carlton & Faceby and Bilsdale Church of England Federation

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Executive Headteacher - Mr. M. Scott

Friday 25th April 2025

VE Day

Dear Parents & Carers,

On Thursday 8th May it will be 80 years since VE Day - there are several commemorations happening locally and nationally to celebrate this.

To mark the occasion, we'd like to run a prayer writing competition. Children should research VE day and then write a prayer to commemorate the occasion - this could be hand written or typed. I have included some initial reading as well as a page border that they might like to use.

Completed prayers should be returned to school by Thursday 8th May where we will share them in a special collective worship.

Children who attend ~~Bilsdale~~ Bilsdale School will also visit the war memorial in Chop Gate on this day to take part in the community commemoration - we do not need your permission for this as it is covered in our local agreement, however if you have any questions please just let us know.

If you have any family stories, photographs or memorabilia from VE Day or WW2 that you'd be happy for your child to share, we'd love to have the children share it with their class.

Best wishes,

Mr. M. Scott
Executive Headteacher

In partnership with Knowsley CLCs, all parent/carers are invited to an:

Online Safety Information Session

This session is delivered virtually so can be watched from anywhere!
We will share the link with you privately.

Current trends – what children are doing online and what apps/games are popular amongst children.

Understanding the Risks – a look at the risks associated with using technology, in particular when using social media, online gaming & live streaming.

What can you do? – suggestions on how you can support your child with their online lives and what parental controls are available to help you.

Further Support – signposting to services that are available to help you.

**WEDNESDAY
7TH MAY
2025
4PM – 4.45PM**



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