

At Carlton & Faceby and Bilsdale Schools we are KIND:

Kind and accepting
Independent learners
Never giving up
Determined to be our personal best

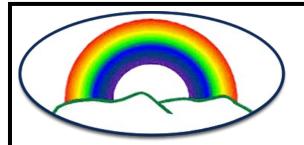
Under God's guidance, we teach children the importance of *kindness* towards others, tolerance and mutual *respect*. This empowers children to have the *courage* to achieve their personal best.

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 10th October 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to all who attended our Harvest Service last Friday, it was lovely to see everyone in church and the children did a brilliant job of hosting the service. Thank you also for everyone's donations for the foodbank, they are greatly appreciated and were collected earlier this week.

Tuesday saw our first sports outing of the academic year as our KS2 girls' footballers competed against other local schools. Mrs Cawthra and Mr Body were very impressed with the children's attitude and sportsmanship.

Don't forget that Parent Teacher Consultations are next week, if you haven't made your appointment yet please do so ASAP. Lastly, a big welcome to Lauren who joined us at Bilsdale in Y5 a couple of weeks ago.

With best wishes for a peaceful weekend,

Mr. M. Scott

Executive Headteacher

Attendance—our whole school target is 96%.

Bilsdale—93.6%

Carlton—94.5%

National Average—95.6%





Awards



<u>Star of the Week</u>—Isaac D, Ted, Isla, Rory, Lucia, Olivia, Sammy, Ellie, Lauren

Kindness Award - Ellie, George, Aurora

Handwriting Award-Olive, Sam, Eve, Eboni, Arthur

Corridor King/Queen - Lydia and Isaac D

Vision Award - Florence, Sam, Tadhg, Fonzie, Lydia

<u>Headteacher Hot Chocolate-</u> Rory, Annie, Fonzie, Aurora

Maths Awards

<u>Numbots increase</u>—1st Penelope, 2nd Lavinia, 3rd Cruz

Numbots accuracy—1st Noah, 2nd Penelope, 3rd Eve

Y3/4— 1st Toby, 2nd Aoife, 2rd Scarlett S

Y5/6—1st Lauren, 2nd Hugo, 3rd Zara

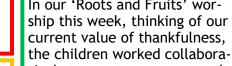


Music of the Week



Next week's music of the week is 'Shake it Off' by Taylor Swift.

In our 'Roots and Fruits' wor-



tively to create a prayer on the theme of 'Count Your Blessings' - we've attached it overleaf.



<u>Notes</u>

Football

Don't forget that it is KS2 boys' football on Tuesday—the team (who have received letters) should ensure they have their PE kit in school as well as a water bottle and coat. Shin pads are required and football boots are optional.



Safeguarding

Collective Worship

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.

Count Our Blessings Prayer

Father God,

We have many blessings to be thankful for:

Brothers and books and badgers

Letters and lettuces and leopards

Elephants and eggs and elders

Sunshine and sand and summer

Snakes and sisters and siblings

Insects and infants and ice

Nature and noses and newts

Grass and goodness and God

Snow and sports and sloths

Thank you for all the things you have provided us with.

Amen

News from the Classes

Little Owls and Reception

What a busy and joyful week it has been in Early Years! First of all, we would like to say a huge congratulations to our Reception children for their wonderful performance at the Harvest Festival. The children sang so beautifully and performed with confidence in front of the whole school and families. We are all incredibly proud of how well they represented EYFS and the kindness and teamwork they showed in preparing for this special event.

This week we have also been supporting the whole school 'NSPCC Kindness Challenge' and our class-room has been filled with smiles, kind words and caring actions. The children have been sharing lots of lovely ideas about what kindness means to them — from helping a friend to sharing toys or offering a comforting hug. We read the story 'KIND', which encouraged us to think about how small acts of kindness can make a big difference in our world. The children created artwork to show what kindness looks like and practised using their kind hands, caring hearts, and happy smiles. It has been truly heartwarming to see how thoughtfully they have embraced this challenge.

In Phonics, we have been finishing our first exciting adventure with Nip and Nap! This week we learned the sounds Cc and Kk, exploring how these letters look and sound and practising forming them correctly. It's wonderful to see how their confidence and enthusiasm for reading and writing are growing every day.

Our Mastering Number sessions have also been full of energy and excitement. This week, we focused on counting carefully, ensuring that each object is counted once and only once and using counters to represent quantities up to five. The children have shown great progress in recognising amounts without always needing to count and we have celebrated lots of 'high fives' as they confidently showed their understanding of the number 5 in different ways. We are really proud of their growing mathematical curiosity and focus!

In Little Owls, the children have continued to enjoy exploring the story 'In Every House, On Every Street'. They have loved talking about their own homes and families, recognising similarities and differences, and sharing special things that make their homes unique. It's been a wonderful opportunity for language development and building connections between home and school life.

We would also like to give a special well done to Sonny and Teddy from Little Owls and Reception, who both took part in the Junior Park Run on Sunday. It was lovely to see them and their families taking part in this community event, they showed such great determination and joy as they crossed the finish line and collected their tokens with big smiles. What an achievement!

As we come to the end of another busy week filled with learning, laughter and exploration, we want to thank all our families for your continued support. The children are developing wonderful independence, curiosity and kindness, and we are so proud of each and every one of them.

















News from the Classes

Carlton & Bilsdale KS1

We have had another very busy and successful week in Class 2. The children have completed their first independent write, retelling the story of 'Little Red Riding Hood', trying to include some of the skills we have been focussing on during our English lessons. They have used a growing range of adjectives, verbs and adverbs and some children have remembered to use simile and inverted commas to show speech. "What brave writers you are!" said Mrs Leivers proudly. Our next writing unit uses the beautifully illustrated book, 'A House That Once Was' and we have enjoyed sharing the text, the illustrations and making predictions about who may have lived in the mysterious house in the forest. We have also completed our first look at place value within 20, embedding number bonds to 10 and to 20, subitising and generally improving our confidence with numbers. Next week we move on to addition and subtraction within 20, where this initial number confidence will help us greatly. In science, we are each studying a plant in the school grounds, sketching them, finding out that plants need certain conditions to grow and thrive and that some plants grow from bulbs, some from seeds. In history we have identified special people within our school community, what makes them special and thought about how they should be treated. We recognise that there are special people who work in the community, who are responsible for keeping us healthy, helping or protecting people and who can be contacted if help is needed. This has linked well with Kindness Week, as the children have been busy collecting lots of examples of how they show kindness to themselves and to others both at school and at home. Kindness is free, easy to share and certainly makes us smile!

Carlton and Bilsdale KS2

Continuing our work on forces, the children have really enjoyed investigating friction and air resistance. We took a different slant with friction with KS2 at Carlton investigating which surface has the most friction whilst Bilsdale children investigated which shoe had the most grip. In both experiments the children used force meters to measure the force applied, reading scales as accurately as possible whilst objects were being moved. For air resistance, the children had the opportunity to design their own experiments. Some chose to investigate whether the size of the parachute slows objects down, whilst others investigated other factors such as the shape of the parachute or the length of the strings. Lots of skills were on show as the children worked collaboratively to make the parachutes and teamwork was needed for testing as children took on different roles releasing parachutes, timing the descent and recording results. They also used their scientific skills to draw conclusions from their results.

Our new writing unit has provided the opportunity for the children to become journalists as they are writing a newspaper article based on the film 'The Creature'. They have created headlines and summarised the whole story into the opening paragraph before interviewing eyewitnesses. The children enjoyed role playing the scene, before writing, to help craft their ideas, interview questions and responses. We are very impressed with the writing so far, especially as this is a new genre for many children. Well done everyone!















Diary Dates

Tuesday 14th October	Boys' football competition	KS2 team	Letter sent
Tuesday 14th and Thursday 16th October	Parent Teacher Consultations	Rec-Y6	Letter sent
Thursday 16th October	Flu immunisations	Email sent	
Saturday 18th October	Carlton Church Autumn Fayre, Carlton All Village Hall 10.30-12.30		n/a
Saturday 18th October	PTFA Spooky Ball, Carlton Village Hall, All 2.30-4.30pm		Info. on newsletter
Friday 24th October	School closes for half term	All	n/a
Friday 31st October	Deadline for secondary school applica- tions via North Yorkshire LA	Y6	Letter sent
Monday 3rd November	Staff training day—school closed for children	All	n/a
Tuesday 4th November	School re-opens for children	All	n/a
Tuesday 4th November	Tag rugby competition	Y5/6 team	Letter sent
Thursday 6th November	KS1 to Preston Park	Y1/2	Letter sent
Friday 7th November	'Wrap up Middlesbrough' - coat donations to school by today	All	Letter sent
Monday 10th November	Odd Socks Day	All	More info. to follow
Tuesday 11th November	Bilsdale children attending Chop Gate Remembrance Service	Bilsdale	More info. to follow
Thursday 13th November	KS2 to Life Centre— <u>Bilsdale at Carlton</u> All day Y3-6		Letter sent
Friday 14th November	Children in Need	All	Letter sent
Friday 21st November	Ukrainian Christmas shoebox appeal boxes into school by today	All	Letter sent

Girls football report, by Bonnie

On Tuesday, the KS2 girls went to a football tournament at Stokesley School. We played three matches against local schools. By far one of the best girls football matches ever.

For me and everyone else, it was amazing. Even though we had many injuries we all loved it. We didn't win but we all accepted it. The young leaders were super kind and supportive. It was super fun that on our team we had different year groups than normal: Yr3, Yr4, Yr5 and Yr6. We all had starring moments and did our best.



Diary Dates cont.

Wednesday 10th December	Full day rehearsal at Chop Gate Village Hall	Rec-Y6	More info. to follow
Thursday 11th December	Nativity at Chop Gate Village Hall, 2pm Rec-Y6 Families welcome		More info. to follow
Monday 15th December	Christmas Craft Afternoon Families welcome	Rec-Y6	More info. to follow
Wednesday 17th December	Pantomime at Yarm School	Rec-Y6	More info. to follow
Thursday 18th December	Christmas dinner and jumper day— Bilsdale at Carlton all day	All	More info. to follow
Friday 19th December	Carol service, 2pm. St Botolph's, Carlton Families welcome	All	More info. to follow
Friday 19th December	School closes for Christmas No after school care today	All	n/a

Y6 transition webinar



https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1729978495249?aff=oddtdtcreator

Autumn reading challenge

Between now and the first week back after half term, why not have a go at the autumn reading challenge? Complete a row, column or diagonal line and come to Mr Scott for a special prize!

Read under the covers	Read a mystery book	Read a book someone else chooses	Read a book to someone else	Read outside
Whisper read	Read a biography or a true story	Read a comic	Read a magazine	Read poetry
Read in your pyjamas	Read a book to a pet/ teddy	Read a book written before you were born	Read a book published in the last 2 years	Read the first book of a series
Re read your favourite book	Read in a silly voice	Read under a tree	Read like a robot	Read with a friend
Read a book with an animal as the main character	Read on an even number day	Read a book with the letter 'a' in the title	Create a crazy hair do then read	Read in an 'extreme' location



The Carlton & Faceby and Bilsdale CE Federation

Executive Headteacher - Mr. M. Scott













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Is your child starting school in September 2026? Come and see our nurturing learning environments where children thrive.

Call us to make an appointment to visit our wonderful schools.

"This is a truly inclusive school.

Leaders have high aspirations for all

pupils and the

curriculum reflects this."

Bilsdale Midcable Chop Gate CE School OFSTED, May 2023

"Pupils enjoy being part of their school community. Staff and pupils describe the school as like being part of one big family."

Carlton & Faceby CE School OFSTED, January 2023



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Wrap Up Teesside

Wrap Up Campaign

18th October – 1st November 2025



Each winter some adults and children across Teesside don't have a coat to keep them warm

If you have a spare unwanted coat please donate it and we will ensure it get to someone in need.

Look out for the Wrap Up box.

Collection boxes are located at the:

Leisure Centre
Methodist Church Parish Church
Newcastle Building Society
Freer Askew Bunting Solicitors
Stokesley Sports Club
Stokesley School
Town Hall
Springfield Coop
Ot Broughton Primary School
Carlton and Faceby Primary School

Stokesley Rotary and Middlesbrough Erimus Rotary members will then collect, sort and pass on all items donated to local charities working to support those in need.







Fun & exercise for kids — all ages welcome

£20



Tue 28 Oct
10am-3pm
Knayton Sports Hall

We operate in a COVID-secure environment

Along with former professional cricketer and Level 1 coach Matty
Brown, the kids will have a funpacked day learning the fundamentals of cricket and athletics with Glen Hilton, athletics coach and former England international athlete.

Your child will need:

- A packed lunch
- Plenty of fluids

For more details contact Glen Hilton:

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Fun, creative story writing competition opens Tues 23 Sept - Fri 7 Nov 2025

No need to worry about spelling. punctuation or grammar!

You could have your story read out on TV by a celebrity!

Write a STORY you would love to read





Find out more and enter at bbc.co.uk/500words

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RACE NIGHT FUNDRAISER

Organised by Carlton Sports & Social Committee

FRIDAY 14th NOVEMBER

Carlton Village Hall Doors open 7:00pm | 1st Race 7:30pm

Advance Tickets Only - £10 (Includes Pie & Peas)

Sponsor a Horse - £5

Win up to £15

Your name & humorous horse

name on race card

Sponsor a Race - £30
Your name or company

featured in the race card & mentioned in the live commentary

Every donation goes straight back into improving and supporting our village

Tickets available from Jonny - 07808771886