

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

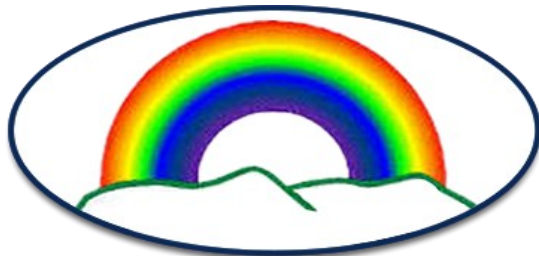
‘The Lord is righteous in all his ways and kind in all his works’

Luke 2:40

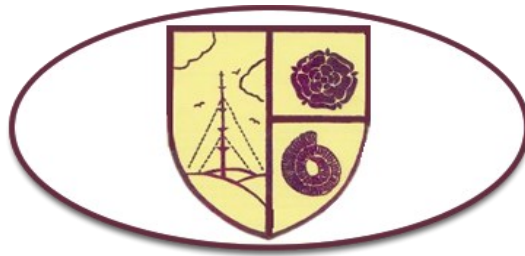
‘And the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom...’

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 6th February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We've had another busy week across the federation with the children working hard and producing some brilliant outcomes. Today is a very exciting day for children in Y5 and Y6 as we are visiting London to take part in a tour and workshop at The Houses of Parliament. Updates to follow in next week's newsletter!

Next Friday is Mrs Myers' last day cooking at Carlton as she heads off for her well-deserved retirement. I'm pleased to say that we interviewed a strong candidate for her replacement yesterday and we hope that a permanent replacement for Mrs Myers will start soon after half-term. We are not expecting any change to the high quality meals served each day and we're looking forward to welcoming a new member to the team.

Letters regarding a dodgeball event for Y3/4 went out this week, please return permission slips ASAP.

With best wishes for a peaceful weekend,

Mr. M. Scott

Executive Headteacher

Attendance—our whole school target is 96%.

Bilsdale— **91.4%**

Carlton—**94.2%**

National Average—94.8%



Awards



Star of the Week— Siena, Isaac D, Olive, Henry, Hugo, Isabel, Scarlett K, Anna, Lucia, Annie, Penelope

Kindness Award— Ellie, Florence, Henry, Anna, Dolly, Alice

Handwriting Award— Zeff, Jasper, Cruz

Vision Award— Beth, Reception, Anna, William

Corridor King/Queen—Zeff and Annie

Headteacher Hot Chocolate- Aurora, Isaac D, Hugo

Awards

TTRS Awards—None this week—please **encourage children in Y2-6 to access TTRS at home** as it is so beneficial for their mental maths skills.

Numbots Accuracy—1st Oscar, 2nd Scarlett K, 3rd Penelope

Numbots improvement—1st Tadhg, 2nd Isaac, 3rd William



Music of the Week



Next week's music of the week is 'Surfin' USA' by The Beach Boys.

Notes

Mosque Visit

A reminder that the visit to the mosque has been rescheduled due to overrunning building works. The new date is Thursday 26th March. Your original permission forms still stand so no further action is required.

Bilsdale children should attend the Bilsdale site as normal next Tuesday.



Collective Worship

This week has been National Storytelling Week—the children took part in a worship session where we listened to the oral storyteller Taffy Thomas tell a traditional Chinese tale. Why not spend some time sharing stories with your family over the weekend?



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

Carlton and Bilsdale EYFS

We have had a wonderful week in Class 1, with the children settling beautifully into their routines and embracing every learning opportunity with enthusiasm. One of the highlights was Forest School afternoon, where Little Owls spent time out on the field exploring activities inspired by the traditional tale The Gingerbread Man. The children delighted in using natural resources to retell parts of the story, following trails and imagining scenes from the tale unfolding around them. Their curiosity and imagination shone through as they worked together and shared ideas in the fresh winter air.

Throughout the week, Miss Temprell has continued to teach Phonics and Maths with great energy and creativity. We are incredibly proud to share that she received an exceptional lesson appraisal from the Lead Mentor from the University. This is a fantastic achievement and reflects not only her hard work but also the effort and engagement the children have shown during her sessions. A very big well done to everyone involved, your focus and determination have truly paid off.

Traditional tales have remained the theme at the heart of our work. This week, the children thoroughly enjoyed retelling the story of Cinderella, bringing the characters to life through expressive role play. Their confidence and sense of drama really shone as they stepped into the shoes of Cinderella, Fairy Godmother and the stepsisters!! Reception children took the story further by imagining their own alternative endings. Their ideas were wonderfully creative, some suggested Cinderella heading out for afternoon tea, while others imagined her setting off on a brave adventure on horseback. It was a joy to see the children thinking so independently and playfully about story structure.

In RE, our discussions continued around special stories and why they matter to different people. The children showed thoughtful engagement as they explored what the holy book for Muslims is and why it is treated with such respect. Their questions and reflections demonstrated a growing understanding of different beliefs and a gentle curiosity about the wider world.

Overall, it has been a super week of learning filled with imagination, teamwork, thoughtful discussion and plenty of smiles. Well done, Class 1, we are incredibly proud of you all and can't wait to see where your learning takes you next.

News from the Classes

Carlton & Bilsdale KS1

What a busy and exciting week we've had in Class 2!

We started the week with Forest School, where the children enjoyed spending time outdoors exploring natural materials. They created wonderful nature masks using leaves, sticks and natural resources, and experimented with leaf rubbing, carefully observing shapes, patterns, and textures. It was lovely to see such creativity and teamwork.

In Maths, we began our new topic on adding and subtracting within 100. The children have been practising using a range of strategies to help them solve calculations confidently, including practical resources and visual representations. They have shown great focus and enthusiasm when tackling new challenges.

In English, we introduced our new class text, *The Day the Crayons Quit*. The children have loved exploring the story, discussing the characters' opinions and emotions, and thinking carefully about different viewpoints. We also completed our independent write, where the children worked hard to apply their ideas, vocabulary, and sentence skills independently. We are very proud of the effort they put into their writing.

Well done, Class 2, for another fantastic week of learning! Thank you for your continued support.

Carlton & Bilsdale KS2

We have had a productive week in KS2 with the continuation of myth writing and starting new units in maths: length and perimeter for Y3/4, decimals for Y5/6. Our science question this week was "Is it soluble?" with the children investigating which materials are soluble in water. Close observation and patience was required to allow substances to settle before deciding whether they had dissolved. History focussed on city states. After identifying the main features of a city state, we compared life in Athens to Sparta. Whilst Athens appealed to some children with its creative culture and democracy, some did not like the idea that women could only leave home with the permission of their husband. Although Sparta had a focus on producing strong fighters, some children did not like the idea of not seeing their fathers, who were warriors, or boys being treated harshly from the age of 7 having to cope with pain and survive with little food. Taking all these elements into consideration, the children reflected on where they would prefer to have lived and gave detailed reasons.

Worship Prayer

This is one of the prayers which the children shared in worship this week:

Lord Jesus

Make us more like your disciple Barnabas.

Help us to

Use our eyes to notice,

Use our ears to listen,

Use our voice to encourage,

And use our hands to help.

Amen.



Diary Dates

Tuesday 10th February	Y1-Y6 mosque visit RESCHEDULED	Y1-6	Letter sent
Friday 13th February	School closes for half term	All	n/a
Monday 23rd February	School re-opens for all	All	n/a
Tuesday 24th February	Y3/4 dodgeball	Y3/4	Letter sent
Wednesday 25th February	Y5/6 tag rugby finals	Team	More info. to follow
Monday 2nd March	Skip 2B Fit day Bilsdale at Carlton all day	All	More info. to follow
Friday 6th March	NSPCC Speak Out, Stay Safe workshops	Y2, 5 and 6	Letter sent
Monday 9th March	Shine Schools Festival <u>NO SWIMMING TODAY</u>	Choir	More info. to follow
Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th March	Spring term Parent Teacher Consultations	All	More info. to follow
Thursday 12th and Friday 13th March	Y3/4 residential, Newby Wiske Hall	Y3/4	Letter sent
Monday 23rd March	No swimming today	Swimming group	n/a
Thursday 26th March	Rescheduled Y1-Y6 mosque visit Bilsdale at Carlton all day	Y1-6	Letter sent
Friday 27th March	Easter Labyrinth—families welcome	All	More info. to follow
Friday 27th March	School closes for Easter—no after school club today	All	n/a
Monday 13th April	Staff training day school closed to children	All	n/a
Tuesday 14th April	School re-opens for all	All	n/a

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Family February Fun

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All places must be booked and enrolled online - please feel free to contact our office if you are unable to do this, as enrolment is essential to access the sessions for free. Without prior enrolment, charges may apply.

Course	Date	Day	Time	Location
Family February Fun Whitby	16/02/2026	Monday	10:00 - 12:00	Whitby Library, Whitby
Family February Fun Ripon	16/02/2026	Monday	10:00 - 12:00	Ripon Library, Ripon
Family February Fun Catterick	16/02/2026	Monday	14:00 - 16:00	Catterick Library, Catterick
Family February Fun Scarborough	16/02/2026	Monday	14:00 - 16:00	Scarborough Library and Information Centre
Family Fun with Pancakes - Richmond	17/02/2026	Tuesday	10:00 - 12:00	Scout Hut, Richmond
Family February Fun Stokesley	17/02/2026	Tuesday	14:00 - 16:00	Stokesley Library, Stokesley
Family February Fun Norton	17/02/2026	Tuesday	14:00 - 16:00	Norton Hive Library, Norton
Family February Fun Knaresborough	18/02/2026	Wednesday	10:00 - 12:00	Knaresborough Library, Knaresborough
Family February Fun Skipton	18/02/2026	Wednesday	10:30 - 12:30	Skipton Library, Skipton
Family February Fun Selby	19/02/2026	Thursday	09:30 - 11:30	Selby Classroom, Selby
Family February Fun Harrogate	19/02/2026	Thursday	10:30 - 12:30	Harrogate Library, Harrogate
Family February Fun Filey	19/02/2026	Thursday	14:00 - 16:00	Filey Library, Filey
Family February Fun Thirsk	19/02/2026	Thursday	14:00 - 16:00	Thirsk Learning Resource Centre, Thirsk
Family February Fun Pickering	20/02/2026	Friday	10:00 - 12:00	Pickering Library, Pickering
Family February Fun Malton	20/02/2026	Friday	10:00 - 12:00	Malton Library, Malton
Family February Fun Northallerton	20/02/2026	Friday	10:30 - 12:30	Northallerton Library, Northallerton

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  For Boys & Girls Aged 4-11  

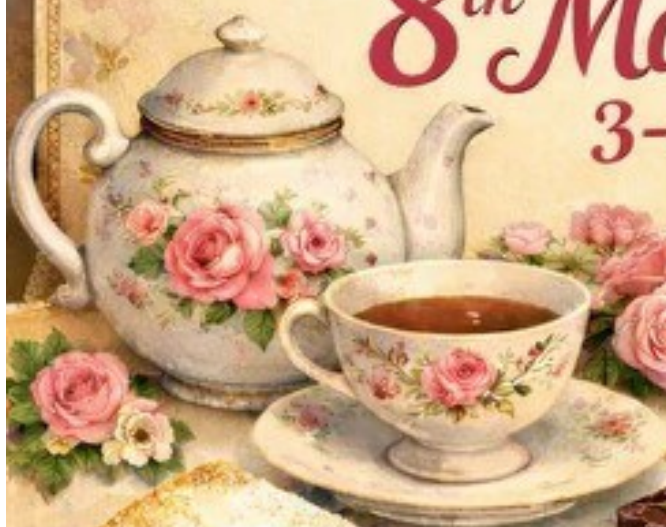




Charity Afternoon Tea

Carlton in Cleveland
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Sunday
8th March
3-5pm



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North Yorkshire and York Music Hub

ENSEMBLES PROJECT DAYS



15 March
19 April
14 June
20 June

10am - 3pm



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VOCAL PROJECT DAYS



7 March
18 April
16 May
20 June

10am - 3pm



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