

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

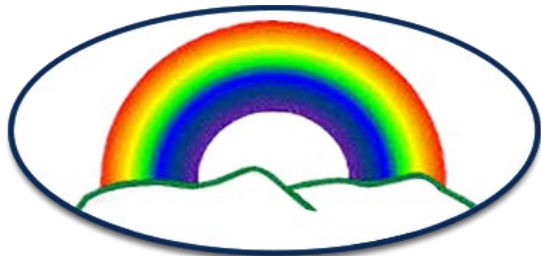
‘The Lord is righteous in all his ways and kind in all his works’

Luke 2:40

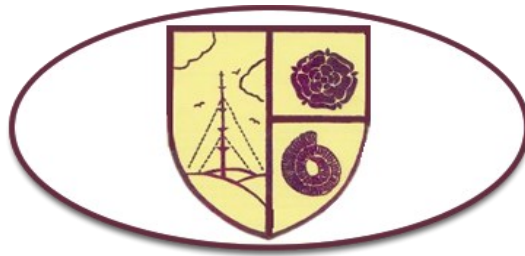
‘And the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom...’

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 18th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We've had another busy week across the federation with children really getting stuck into all of their new learning for this term. Today we announced the new Pupil Leadership Team, with lots of children volunteering to take part in different leadership roles. This is a key part of our personal development programme within school and we're very pleased to have such a brilliant uptake amongst our pupils. Additionally, our clubs letter came out earlier this week, please return your slips ASAP to secure the places your child would like.

KS2's topic this term includes learning about both world wars—if you have any information, photographs or artefacts that might support their learning, and you'd be willing to share them, please let us know. It would be great to include some local history as part of their learning.

With best wishes for a peaceful weekend,

Mr. M. Scott

Executive Headteacher

Attendance—our whole school target is 96%.

Bilsdale—100%

Carlton—90.9%

National Average—96.5%



Awards



Vision Award—George, Sam, Oscar, Monty, Zeff

Handwriting Award—Tadhg, Bea, Heidi, Ellie

Kindness Award—Eve, Scarlett S, Gigi, Siena

Star of the Week—Jasper, Darcy, Aoife, Toby, Charlie, William, Oliver, Mollie, Zara

Awards

Numbots—1st Annie, 2nd Tadhg, 3rd Scarlett K

TTRS Y3/4—1st Cruz, 2nd Edith, 3rd Aoife

TTRS Y5/6—1st Lyla, 2nd Isabel, 3rd Siena

TTRS Change of Status—Support Act—Noah

Headteacher Hot Chocolate—Annie, Penelope, Gigi, Lauren

Corridor King/Queen—Oliver and Aurora



Music of the Week

Next week's music of the week is 'Wind of Change' by Scorpions.



Collective Worship

No Outsiders this week focussed on the protected characteristic of disability, looking at how a charity has helped a cerebral palsy sufferer realise their dream of paddle boarding. More information can be found here: <https://ks1no-outsiders-assembly.blogspot.com/2026/09/>



Notes

Reminders

Please remember that the Y5/6 girls' football team are in action on Tuesday—PE kit, water bottle and coat all required. Bilsdale team members will be at Carlton all day.

Additionally, next Friday is our first library session of the new year—please send in any returns by next Friday.



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 EYFS

This week, the children in Reception and Little Owls have continued to settle brilliantly into school life and have enjoyed a busy week full of learning, exploration and fun. It has been wonderful to see friendships developing and confidence growing as the children become more familiar with their new routines and environment.

In our phonics learning, the children have enjoyed learning the sounds i and p, building on the sounds we have already learned. They have been working hard to practise blending sounds together for reading and segmenting words for spelling. We are very proud of how enthusiastically the children are joining in. Over the coming week, please continue to consolidate all of the sounds learned so far: s, a, t, i, p. Regular practice at home, along with sharing books and enjoying stories together, will help to build confidence and foster a lifelong love of reading.

A lovely highlight of the week was when Oliver excitedly shared Mr Scott's new book, Gruffalo Granny. Oliver enjoyed listening to the story during worship and then had great fun reading the story again at home. It was wonderful to see his enthusiasm for books and reading, and we hope it inspires many more children to enjoy sharing stories.

In Maths, the children have been developing their counting skills through a range of practical activities, songs and games. Little Owls especially enjoyed joining in with traditional counting rhymes, with Five Currant Buns proving to be a particular favourite. The children were eager to sing along, count carefully and act out the rhyme together.

Our topic work continues to focus on learning about ourselves and the things that are important to us. The children have enjoyed sharing information about themselves, their families and the places that mean something to them. One of the week's highlights was a fascinating discussion about "our favourite place". The children had some wonderful ideas and shared places that are special to them, including school, Dinosaur Golf, a tree house, Center Parcs and home. It was lovely to hear the children talking so confidently and thoughtfully about their experiences and the places they enjoy visiting.

We are so proud of how well the children have settled and are looking forward to another exciting week of learning together.

News from the Classes

Carlton and Bilsdale KS1

We have enjoyed our first full week together and it was lovely to see how well settled the new Year 1 children are. They are getting used to new routines and expectations and are being helped and supported by our Year 2 children, who are enjoying their new responsibilities.

Forest School kicked off the week, and the children enjoyed building tents in the sunshine. Lots of talking, planning and co-operation was needed to be successful and lots of fun was had!

Our first English lessons were challenging, but I was so impressed by many wonderful ideas during our word collecting time and then to see how eager all the children were to have a go at their own sentences, adding some exciting adjectives and preposition words to extend initial ideas. Well done to everyone!

Art this week has been based around our text 'Grandad's Island'. The children have drawn, colour washed, coloured and been creative with collage, creating some vibrant and interesting desert islands. They have added our main characters, Grandad and Syd, lots of jungle animals and some of the treasures from Grandad's attic. These will all be on display at Stokesley Show on Saturday, so make sure you have a look if you attend!

Just a couple of gentle reminders: Please ensure children have a change of clothes (joggers, waterproof bottoms, wellies, suitable coats) for Monday's Forest School. When the weather changes, the field will soon start to get wet and muddy, and a change of clothes and footwear will protect school uniforms and allow children to have fun without worrying about getting dirty! Also, please check your child's bag daily for any letters and to share their reading books with them. Books are changed on Monday and Thursday, if children have read and completed them successfully. Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing lots of smiling faces next week. Happy weekend to you all.

Carlton & Bilsdale KS2

It has been another busy and exciting week of learning in KS2. In geography, we have been developing our understanding of the Earth and the imaginary lines we use to help us locate places around the world. The children have learned about the Equator, which divides the Earth into the Northern and Southern Hemispheres, as well as the Tropic of Cancer and Tropic of Capricorn. We have also discovered the importance of the Arctic Circle and Antarctic Circle and how these lines are connected to the Earth's climate and seasons. The children have been introduced to latitude and longitude, learning how these invisible lines help us describe exactly where places are located. We have also learned about the Prime Meridian, an important line of longitude which passes through Greenwich in London. There has been lots of discussion and opportunities to use geographical vocabulary as we develop our understanding of our world.

Our history learning has taken us back to the early twentieth century as we began our study of the First World War. We have explored some of the main causes of the war, including alliances between countries, militarism, imperialism and growing tensions across Europe. We have also learned about the assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand in 1914 and how this event contributed to the outbreak of war. The children have begun to consider what life may have been like for people at the beginning of the First World War and are developing their understanding of how a series of events can lead to major changes in history. It has been wonderful to see the children asking thoughtful questions, using new vocabulary and making connections between different areas of their learning.

The children have been diving into some exciting new books as they begin their reading lessons this term. Year 5/6 have started reading *War Horse* by Michael Morpurgo. Through the novel, they will develop their understanding of the characters, historical setting and themes such as friendship, courage, loyalty and the impact of war. Year 3/4 have begun reading *Demon Dentist* by David Walliams providing plenty of opportunities for the children to develop their reading skills while enjoying the humour, unusual characters and exciting plot. We hope that all our children continue to develop a love of reading and enjoy sharing their favourite stories and books at home.

A reminder of the importance of reading regularly at home. Even just a few minutes of reading each day can make a real difference to children's vocabulary, fluency, comprehension and confidence. We encourage children to read a wide variety of books and to talk about what they have read with someone at home. Please also continue to use Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS) to practise times tables. Regular, short bursts of practice help children to recall their multiplication facts quickly and confidently, which supports their learning across all areas of maths. All children also have a Spelling Frame and or IDL log in and have a weekly list of words they are working on. All login details are in the children's diaries.

Diary Dates

Tuesday 22nd September	KS2 girls football	Team	Letter sent
Friday 25th September	Library in school	All	n/a
Monday 28th September	'Journey Through the Bible' morning at Bilsdale	Bilsdale	n/a
Friday 2nd October	Harvest service at St Botolph's—families welcome	All	More info. to follow
Tuesday 6th October	KS2 boys football	Team	More info. to follow
Tuesday 13th and Wednesday 14th October	Parent Teacher Consultations	All	More info. to follow
Tuesday 20th October	Y5/6 STEM Day at Yarm School <u>All Bilsdale at Carlton today</u>	Y5/6 Bilsdale	Letter sent
Thursday 22nd October	Children break up for half term today	All	n/a
Friday 23rd October	Staff training day—school closed to children	All	n/a
Saturday 31st October	Deadline for application for Y7 school places	Y6 parents/carers	Letter sent
Monday 2nd November	School re-opens for all children	All	n/a
Wednesday 4th November	Eco-team trip to Harlow Carr Gardens	Eco team	More info. to follow
Monday 9th November	Skip 2B Fit <u>Bilsdale at Carlton all day</u>	All	n/a

Access to school grounds

Please can parents/carers remind children of the importance of not entering school grounds when school is closed. We have noticed plants and items in our wildlife garden at Carlton have been accessed/damaged over the last week. We appreciate this could have been caused by anyone but a reminder about playing outside safely, especially as we head into the darker nights, would be appreciated.

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

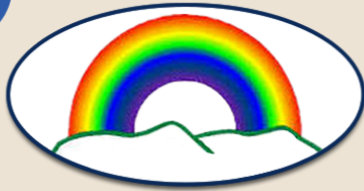


Recruitment

We're recruiting for a cook at Carlton as Mr Roberts has sadly had to leave his post due to family commitments. Please follow the link here for more information and to apply—<https://nycjobs.engageats.co.uk/Vacancies/>



Executive Headteacher - Mr. M. Scott



**The Carlton & Faceby and
Bilsdale CE Federation**

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2026



7.30PM



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Please let your pupils know that U16s can hear a good local brass band for free at its concert at 7:30pm on 10th October at The Forum, Northallerton. The concert, in support of Yorkshire Air Ambulance, is being performed by Alverton Brass. The band would like to encourage people to play instruments and develop an understanding of the benefits of playing in a group.

<https://forumnorthallerton.org.uk/ForumNorthallerton.dll/WhatsOn?f=2617668>

Fashion Show

HIGH STREET LABELS & BOUTIQUE FASHION
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Tickets £5

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Email : kcstoney@sky.com

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Thursday 29th Oct

10am-3pm

Knayton Sports Hall

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Along with Matty Brown, former North East Premier League batsmen and Level 1 coach, the kids will have a fun-packed day learning the fundamentals of cricket and athletics with Glen Hilton, athletics coach and former England international athlete.

For more details contact Glen Hilton:
hiltonglen444@gmail.com



Your child will need:

- A packed lunch
- Plenty of fluids

Location address: Hillside Rural Activities Park, Knayton, Th

DANCING FOR ALL

£29pp

Let's Move and Groove!

If you are aged between 5 and 15 and LOVE TO DANCE, this is a project that you will enjoy. We will explore a variety of starting points for dance and through creative movement workshops and physical development of skills.



In conjunction with the Community Lottery Fund, YES@ Arété Learning Trust are hosting a 6-week dance sessions for all abilities.

The aims are:

- To bring children of abilities together in a creative exploration of dance themes.
- To provide an opportunity for expression and individuality through dance.

WEDNESDAYS, 4:30 - 5:30PM

4th November 2026

11th November 2026

18th November 2026

25th November 2026

2nd December 2026

9th December 2026

Venue: Richmond School Darlington Road Richmond North
Yorkshire DL10 7BQ

For further information email yes@arete.uk or visit

www.yesataretelearningtrust.net/Training-Services