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'Believe & Achieve'

Upcoming Events

November 16

Odd Socks Day

December 11

Christmas Jumper Day &

Christmas Lunch

December 18

Break up for Christmas

January 4

Staff training day

January 5

Children return to school

Important Information

Early closure of our schools on 18th December 2020.

Governors have agreed that both Carlton & Faceby and Bilsdale Midcable schools will close at 1.00pm on Friday 18th December 2020. This is to facilitate additional non-contact time so all staff can carry out additional cleaning of resources used in school and attend a training session.

If you are a Key Worker and will be unable to arrange to collect your child early, please will you email admin@carltonfaceby.n-yorks.sch.uk so we can offer help.

We will remind parents closer to the date.

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you had a good break and were able to enjoy the beauty of autumn with those around you. Last Thursday, we entered a new national lockdown. I would like to say that I hope that the further restrictions do not cause you too much anxiety and difficulty. As always, everyone in our schools are here to help all our children. If you think that we can help in any way then please do let us know and we will work together (in one form or another) to ensure that the children are supported as much as possible.

I am grateful for the support of our school community in co-operating with the plans that teachers have put in place so that children can continue to learn at home and keep in touch whilst self-isolating. I am glad that the government have decided to keep schools open. The best place for children to be is in school, learning with their teachers and playing with their friends. Let us all pray that the situation in the country improves over the coming month.

May I take this opportunity to remind you to socially distance at drop off and collection and ensure only one adult brings or collects your child. This will help us to further minimise risks to our school community.

Warm wishes,

Kathryn McDonald

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Class 2

Abracadabra... Expecto Patronum ...we have magically stepped into a rather special bubble this half term. From beautiful wellbeing scented potions to monstrous slimy potions, the children have had great fun concocting and designing their own magical potions.



Remembrance Day 11.11.20

We designed our own Poppy artwork based on Flanders Fields.



THANK YOU!

Have you seen our new additions at Carlton?



We would like to thank the wonderfully talented Mr. Tom Marwood-Buckle and Mr. Pete Smith for their generous donations which make our school look fabulous!

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PE

Y1/2 Y3/Y4 Cross Country

We all enjoyed taking part in our first sporting event on a beautiful autumnal Friday afternoon...the weather was just perfect for a run! Great sportsmanship, perseverance and spectating was apparent throughout the afternoon and some superb personal achievements were recorded.

A big well done, to everyone who took part.

Please can we remind everyone to wear the appropriate school PE Kit on your PE days?

Thank you for your continued support.



Bilsdale School

All the children at Bilsdale have settled back into school after the half term break. They have really enjoyed seeing their Carlton friends on Teams for worship and Celebration Friday.

KS2 have really enjoyed the start of their new topic Potions. The topic began with an engage event where they predicted what may be in a large parcel and eventually unwrapped it to find a large bottle with a label - drink me on it. This led to reading about the potion Alice in Wonderland found and deciding whether she should drink the potion. They looked in detail at the information and different features on labels from various bottles and containers and wrote a label for Alice's potion.

They have completed several experiments including testing the viscosity of various liquids and were amazed to find it took the salad cream three hours to travel down the ramp. They have been busy exploring the properties of solid liquids and gases including inflating a heart shaped balloon by mixing vinegar and bicarbonate to produce a gas. They have already learnt a lot about solid liquids and gases.

KS1 have been enjoying the start of their new topic, which compliments the KS2 topic, Muck Mess and Mixtures. They have had a Messy Morning where they explored all sorts of materials and their properties such as clay, jelly, shaving foam and cornflour. They have been listening to George's Marvellous Medicine and have been selecting ingredients to make their own potions. They have also been finding out about the different countries' food comes from, which food comes from plants and which from animals and what meals are healthy or unhealthy. They have looked through lots of different recipe books and learnt about following recipes and writing instructions.

All the children have taken part in activities for Children in Need exploring 'Five to Thrive' and Remembrance Day.



Children in Need

This year, Children in Need recognise the tough year it has been and have made mental health their focus. Each day has covered the five main aspects:

Connect – the importance of connecting with family and friends, talking about their feelings

Take notice – recognising their own feelings and needs. We've discussed the importance of sleep and eating healthily alongside this.

Get active – how physical activity supports mental well being

Be curious – how learning, hobbies and interests keep the brain active

Give – how acts of kindness give our self-esteem a boost

Take a look at the videos on the Five to Thrive pages of the Children in Need website

<https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/schools/primary-school/five-to-thrive-hub/>

Class 3

Just like Bilsdale, Class 3 are enjoying the new topic, Potions. We discovered it took 46mins for tomato ketchup to travel down our ramp a lot slower than the 0.85 seconds that water took! We have explored the properties of solids, liquids and gases using balloons filled with ice, water and air. A keen class of artists, the children have loved observational drawing of different shapes bottles and have experimented with different techniques to make their own pot out of clay.



Class 1

Our topic for the half term is entitled "Can I Switch it On?" We will explore technology, investigate how things work and discover how technology has changed. We will tinker with old appliances, make simple circuits, use ICT equipment, compare old and new technologies, make our own toys and have a role play police station.

The children really enjoyed the first week of the topic but we have now had to move to remote learning. Although this was all set up ready to go, this has been the first time we have tried it out. So far it has been really successful and we have had lots of positive feedback – thank you parents for engaging and working so hard and imaginatively with your children.

As the term moves on we will switch on the Christmas lights and open the Christmas workshop! In preparation for our hard-working elves, we would appreciate donations of small lengths of smooth wood for our woodwork bench.



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Toy Service

On Sunday 6th December, Carlton Methodist Church is having a Toy Service. This is when members of the congregation bring toys which will be donated to the Salvation Army in Guisbrough.

From there they will be given to children who might otherwise not have presents to open on Christmas Day.

If anyone would like to give a toy, they can be dropped off at the chapel on Sunday 15th, 22nd and 29th November, between 10 and 10:30am and Friday 4th December between 2:30 and 3:30pm.

For further information, call Audrey Harrington on: 01642-711917

Thank you

Home Learning

We would like to express our thanks and well done wishes to all those children who are going the extra mile and enjoying being creative and having fun at home. From making bath bombs, magical fairy dust, cupcakes to working towards the Green and Music Blue Peter Awards, We are delighted with all your hard work.

The Children's Society and National Police Chiefs Council (NPCC) are working together to raise awareness among professionals including postal workers, delivery drivers and plumbers who are visiting people's homes and may be able to spot signs of abuse.

Their new campaign comes as most pupils face an extended summer break, with schools now not set to fully reopen until September. Young people being abused at home may be even more vulnerable during the lockdown as abuse is more easily hidden from view

The campaign's posters, designed by The Children's Society's national exploitation Prevention programme, urge people to 'Know, Look, Act'. The programme broadly works to prevent and improve responses to child sexual abuse and exploitation, child criminal exploitation, modern day slavery and human trafficking regionally and nationally in England and Wales, operating closely alongside statutory services, community groups and businesses to ensure they are equipped to identify and safeguarding children at risk.

Police forces across the country have been provided with the posters, along with businesses and professionals including supermarkets, restaurants and takeaways, foodbanks, job centres, Covid testing centres, transport operators, NHS 111 and social workers, youth workers, health visitors and midwives.

By raising awareness amongst neighbours and key workers of the signs to look for, they hope that children at risk might be safeguarded. Signs to watch out for include:

- Guarded behaviour around particular individuals
- Sudden changes in behaviour
- Bruises, burns, bite marks or fractures
- Children appearing withdrawn, anxious or frightened
- Hearing or seeing shouting and violence towards a child
- Children seen carrying or using drugs
- Children being late or arriving home late in different cars
- Unaccompanied children visiting a house where only adults

The Children's Society fears abuse, including child sexual abuse, may have been going undetected during the Covid-19 crisis because children are spending more time at home, where they are less visible to professionals like teachers and social workers and to the public.

The charity also has concerns that children may be being exploited in other people's homes – for instance, by being groomed by organised criminals to deal drugs from dangerous 'trap houses' in county lines operations.

People are being urged to stay curious, look beyond the obvious and report any concerns rather than attempting to intervene themselves. They are urged to notify their safeguarding lead if they are visiting in a professional capacity and to contact police on 101 or 999 in an emergency. They can also call the children's charity the NSPCC on 0808 800 500 for advice or guidance.

You can find the poster and more information on the Covid and Safeguarding pages of our website: www.bilsdalecarltonschools.co.uk

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We would like to inform you that we have launched [Blue Peter on YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/bluepeter) at CBBC and we were wondering if your pupils and parents would be interested in this.

Blue Peter is the longest running kids TV show in the world and we are uploading videos to it that are suitable for 5-11 year olds. We have world record breaking challenges, arts and crafts, environmental videos, cooking and baking how tos, inspirational films, gaming, celebrity appearances, dance routines and music performances. We also feature ways of getting a Blue Peter badge, behind the scenes footage and extra content about our incredible presenters Adam, Lindsey, Mwaksy, Richie and Henry the Blue Peter dog.

If you think your pupils would be interested in this, please do send this out to your parents and ask them to subscribe to <https://www.youtube.com/bluepeter> - (it's obviously completely free to subscribe!) and don't forget to watch the live programme on CBBC at 5.30pm every week, or on BBC iPlayer.

Thanks so much for your time,
The Blue Peter Team!



New Website

We have a brand new website, please have a look where you will find all of our latest information.

We would also appreciate any feedback.

[bilsdalecarltonschools.co.uk](http://www.bilsdalecarltonschools.co.uk)