

SPRING TERM ■ ISSUE 21 ■ FRIDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2025



We hope you all have a relaxing half-term break
and look forward to seeing you again on
Tuesday 25 February 2025



Lothersdale LEGENDS of the WEEK

FRIDAY 28 FEBRUARY 2025

Reception ~ Eddie

Year 1 ~ Florence

Year 2 ~ Harper

Year 3 ~ Ronnie

Year 4 ~ Harry

Year 5 ~ Emily P

Year 6 ~ Ella B



JOANIE

MATHS
ambassador

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Well done everyone!

Two adults are invited to attend the next
Lothersdale Legend Assembly on Friday at 8:55am

Stay safe near roads

BEFORE SCHOOL DROP OFF AND AFTER SCHOOL PICK UP

It has been brought to our attention that unsupervised children are running into the road, particularly onto the yellow zigzag markings outside school.

This is a major concern as traffic is at its heaviest at these peak times. Please ensure your children are **supervised at all times** when coming into school and exiting the school premises.

Please help keep our school community safe



SAVE THE DATE

Please note there may be circumstances in which these dates are subject to change. More information will follow at a later date about events listed below:

- Tue 18 Mar 2025** - National Child Measurement Programme ~ Rec & Year 6
- Thu 20 Mar 2025** - Fairtrade Coffee Morning

DEADLINES & REMINDERS

It would be really helpful if requested reply slips/payments etc. could be completed/paid by the stated deadlines to enable us to process the paperwork effectively this week. Thank you.

HAVING	FUN	GETTING	FIT
PHYSICAL EDUCATION			
WEEKLY TIMETABLE			
Class 1 – Tuesday & Thursday			
Class 2 – Tuesday & Thursday			
Class 3 – Monday & Friday			
Class 4 – Monday & Friday			

EXTENDED SCHOOLS ACTIVITIES ~ SPRING TERM 2025 ~ FIRST HALF		
Tuesday	Thursday	Friday
French Club 12.45 to 1.15pm	Supersports 3.15 to 4.15pm	Football 3.15 to 4.15pm
Ball Games 3.15 to 4.15pm	Young Voices Choir 3.15 to 4.15pm	-
The member of staff/activity provider will bring the children out to the playground at the end of each session to ensure a safe handover to parents/carers		
LEGENDS After School Club is available for childcare after school from 3:15 to 6:00pm		

ADDITIONAL LEARNING SESSIONS				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Class 4 READING PLUS 8.20 to 8.45am	Year 4 READING PLUS 8.20 to 8.45am	Class 4 READING PLUS 8.20 to 8.45am	Year 4 READING PLUS 8.20 to 8.45am	Class 4 READING PLUS 8.20 to 8.45am
-	-	Year 4 TIMES TABLES 8.20 to 8.45am	-	-
These clubs are for selected groups or pupils. All pupils attending these clubs must be registered for safeguarding and health & safety reasons. Please note: the sessions start promptly at 8:20am so that children can complete the relevant tasks without disruption from any late arrivals. Late arrivals beyond 8:25am will not be able to attend the session. In this instance, please ensure that your child is supervised until the start of the school day. Many thanks for your support.				

Lothersdale	
REC	MARTHA and EDDIE
Y1	ANYA and JAMES
Y2	ALFIE and EVIE
Y3	JUDE W and AVA
Y4	HUGO and SOPHIE
Y5	JOE and MAISIE
Y6	AARON and SOPHIE
SCHOOL COUNCIL	

REMINDERS

W/c 17 FEBRUARY 2025

- Fri** - Deadline for booking and/or paying for Extended Schools' Activities

- Mon** - School closed for Staff Training Day
- Tue** - School re-opens at 8.40am for the second half of the spring term
- Deadline for confirmation of Y6 attendance at weekly SATS Club
 - Young Voices Concert in Manchester (selected pupils)
- Wed** - Y5/6 Netball Festival at South Craven School (selected pupils)
- Thu** - Deadline for completing the online Parent Consultation form
- John Froud Assembly
- Fri** - Legends of the Week Assembly
- Class 2 swimming lesson

**GENERAL SCHOOL
UPDATES**

Please find detailed below general updates for your information. If you have any queries regarding any of the content below, please contact the school office.

Shelterbox Assembly ~ Thursday 30 January 2025



We welcomed George and David from the Rotary Club of Skipton Craven on Thursday, 30 January to celebrate our fundraising for the Shelterbox Charity. Our guests were thrilled to receive a cheque for £600.00 for Shelterbox, which will provide vital supplies including tents and provisions for families who have lost their homes in natural disasters and conflicts.

George told the children a story about a family he had met who had received a Shelterbox following the loss of their home in a mudslide.

Thank you to all our parents/carers for helping to support this worthwhile charity over the two years of fundraising events. Special thanks go to the children involved in the School Council, who instigated and led this fundraiser.



Craven Cross Country Finals ~ Thursday 13 February 2025

Well done to our cross country runners ~ **Hugo, Sophie B, Tommy, George, Aravon and Charlotte** ~ who represented the South Craven Cluster at the Craven Cross Country Finals at Giggleswick School yesterday.



Year 6 SATS Club

A letter was emailed on Wednesday 12 February to parents/carers of Year 6 children, regarding a weekly SATS Club taking place after half-term. The club is designed to complement the ongoing classroom instruction and provide an additional platform for focused revision. Please email the school office to confirm your child's participation in these sessions by Tuesday 25 February 2025.



Extended Schools ~ Spring Term 2025 Second Half

The activity flyer was emailed to parents/carers on Thursday 13 February for extended schools' activities taking place after half-term. *Please ensure you read the bookings information before applying for a club place.*

FREE Clubs: Please email the school office (lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk) by Friday 21 February 2025 to book a FREE activity place for your child. It would be helpful if you could include the name of the club(s) in the subject header to help us identify the replies easily. Activities will be allocated on a first come first serve basis.

PAID Clubs: the deadline for payment for children taking part in paying clubs is Friday 21 February 2025 to enable your child to continue with his/her chosen club. Your child's name will only be entered on the activity lists once payment has been made. The extended schools' accounts will be removed from ParentPay once the deadline has passed so it is important that payments are made promptly.

All extended schools' activities finish on Friday 4 April 2025. The activity lists will be sent out on Monday 24 February 2025. ***Please note that we are unable to add your child to an activity list once the deadline has passed and the lists have been distributed to providers and LEGENDS. It is therefore important that you help us to avoid your child missing out on an activity by adhering to the stated deadline.***



Young Voices Concert ~ Tuesday 25 February 2025

Good luck to our Young Voices Choir who will be attending the Young Voices Concert at Manchester AO Arena on Tuesday 25 February 2025.

Class 2 ~ Swimming Lessons



Class 2 swimming lessons will start on Friday 28 February 2025 and the deadline for contributions towards your child's block of lessons is Monday 31 March 2025. Thank you to those parents/carers who have already made a contribution. Swimming is an important part of the curriculum but unfortunately the school receives no extra funding for swimming and relies on parental contributions to enable the children to take part in this activity. No child will be excluded if his or her parents/carers do not contribute, but if insufficient voluntary contributions are received then, regrettably, we will have to look at the viability of future swimming lessons, particularly as costs will increase next academic year.

National Child Measurement Programme ~ Reception & Year 6 ~ Tuesday 18 March 2025



Health professionals will be in school on Tuesday 18 March 2025 to visit children in Reception and Year 6, whose parents/carers have NOT opted out of this year's Child Measurement Programme.

This is an NHS led initiative and parents/carers can withdraw their children if they wish to do so. You do not need to do anything unless you wish to OPT OUT of this programme.

Please follow the instructions in the letter emailed on Thursday 9 January 2025, if this is the case.



Safer Internet Day ~ Tuesday 11 February 2025

It was Safer Internet Day and this year's theme is: **Too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online.**

Coordinated by the UK Safer Internet Centre
saferinternetday.org.uk

A letter was emailed to parents/carers on Tuesday sharing links to help you to reinforce online safety at home.



Spring Term Parent Survey

A letter was emailed to parents/carers on Thursday 13 February regarding this term's Parent Survey. We would be grateful if you could take the time to complete the online survey by Friday 7 March 2025.

Thank you for your support.

Welcome to the
Lothersdale

SCHOOL OFFICE

Telephone: 01535 632510
Email: lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk

SCHOOL OFFICE TERM TIME HOURS

	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	8:00 – 12:15	1:15 – 4:00
Tuesday	8:00 – 12:15	1:15 – 4:00
Wednesday	8:00 – 12:15	1:15 – 4:00
Thursday	8:00 – 12:15	1:15 – 4:00
Friday*	CLOSED	CLOSED

Access into school for all visitors (parents/carers/governors/contractors/visitors) is via prior appointment only, in line with the school's Health & Safety and Child Protection Policies.

Please telephone the School Office during the hours listed to make an appointment to speak to a member of staff.

**Please note that the school office is closed on Fridays. Emails will not be checked until the office re-opens on Mondays. Urgent messages should be left on the school answer machine, which will be checked at intervals throughout the day.*

REMEMBER TO KEEP PUPIL CONTACT AND MEDICAL INFORMATION UP TO DATE!



IMPORTANT: Please email school as soon as possible if you change your phone number, email address, postal address or need to advise us of any pupil health updates, to help keep our records up-to-date.

Please refer to the Friday Newsletter and the school website prior to emailing or contacting school, as most of our day-to-day information can be located within these communication portals. The school website address is <https://www.lothersdaleschool.org.uk>

Parent Consultations ~ Tuesday 25 March & Thursday 27 March 2025



A letter was emailed to all parents/carers on Thursday regarding this term's Parent Consultations. Please complete the online form to indicate a convenient block of time and submit by Thursday 27 February 2025. We will allocate appointments received in date order and will try our best to meet requests. Confirmation of your appointment date/time will be sent

out week commencing 3 March 2025. As always, parents/carers are most welcome to contact school at any time to make an appointment to discuss their child's progress or any concerns with the class teacher.

Class 3 Swimming Lessons



Thank you to Class 3 parents/carers who have been able to make a contribution towards your child's swimming lessons this academic year. Swimming is an important part of the curriculum but, unfortunately, the school receives no extra funding for swimming and relies on parental contributions to enable the children to take part in this activity. Sadly, we have still only received 58% of contributions from parents/carers (£1,173.60 remains outstanding) and are reliant on 100% to help fund the full cost of travel and lessons. If you have not yet made a payment and still wish to do so, please ensure payment is made as soon as possible. Many thanks for your support.



LEGENDS Holiday Club ~ Monday 24 February 2025 **CANCELLED**

A letter was emailed to parents/carers on Tuesday 11 February 2025 regarding the LEGENDS Holiday Club scheduled to take place on Monday 24 February, when school is closed for staff training.

Unfortunately, due to a very low parent uptake, this session has sadly been cancelled.

Payments via the SchoolGateway App ~ Help Guides



The school office is receiving a few queries from parents/carers regarding the SchoolGateway app. Please note the app has excellent Help Guides, which can be accessed by clicking on the Settings tab (three vertical dots) in the top right of the screen and then scroll to the Help (?) tab.

A common question we get asked is *how to find out if a payment has been made if the payment request is no longer visible on the screen?* Parents/Carers can view their payment history if they navigate to **Payments > Payment History > enter the date range required.**

We would be grateful if parents/carers could utilise these Help Guides as the school office may not be able to respond in the timeframe required.

LSA Lothersdale School Association			
UPDATE			
	Lothersdale Primary School	CLASS REPS	
	Reception	Laura King	MEET THE LSA TEAM Chair: Donna Laycock Vice-Chair: Katie Lubomski-Wiggan Secretary: Rachel Osborne* Treasurer: Anna Chapman <i>*Rachel will be supported by Steve Boy & Alex Scott</i>
	Year 1	Lucy Woodward	
	Year 2	Victoria Baldwin	
	Year 3	Kelly Holmes	
	Year 4	Victoria Paul	
	Year 5	Rachel North	
	Year 6	Laura Sykes	

Forthcoming Events

LSA World Book Day Bookmark Competition ~ **Deadline 5 March 2025**

LSA Movie Night ~ **Wednesday 12 March 2025 (3:15 to 5:30pm)**

More details will follow nearer the time

The LSA Team

We would like to thank Anna Chapman for all her support in the role as secretary for the LSA over the years. Anna has now moved across to the LSA Treasurer role.

We welcome Rachel Osborne as the new LSA secretary, who will be supported by Steve Boy and Alex Scott.

We look forward to working with you all.



Asda's Cashpot for Schools

Thank you to everyone who participated in ASDA's Cashpot for Schools scheme before Christmas. We raised £143.55!

Please remember to use easyfundraising every time you shop online. Over 8,000 retailers will donate to us, including all the big names like eBay, John Lewis & Partners, Argos, ASOS, Expedia, M&S, Just Eat, Uswitch and many more! This means you can raise FREE donations for us no matter what you're buying.

To date with our wonderful supporters, we have raised.....

Lothersdale School Association

Donations

£2,521.83 raised so far

£24.10 in the last 30 days

Supporters

73 joined so far

1 in the last 30 days

This is an incredible amount which I am sure you agree. Every penny is invested right into the LSA to benefit and support our children and the amazing opportunities we can provide, but this year we want to raise even more!! We have 73 supporters who have joined us so far, please take the time to join in supporting us to raise even more funds. Each time you refer someone we also earn £ 5 bonus donations, even better!

Please forward this link: https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?char=269982&invite=OMCOO7&referral-campaign=c2s&utm_campaign=web-referral



Or click on the QR code sign up. It's easy and completely FREE. These donations really help us, so it would be great if

you could take a moment to get started!

Thank you!



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COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

We are delighted to be able to promote community events in our Friday News that may be of interest to our families and friends. If you would like us to promote a local event, please pass the details to the school office by Wednesday to be included in the Friday News of that week.



Charity Band
Slightly Strange Fruit
Raising money for Parkinsons and MS
Saturday 8th March – 7pm
Lothersdale Village Hall
Bring your own drinks and snacks
£10 a ticket - available from Jude on
07742052300 or online at
ticketsource.co.uk search for "Lothersdale"
There will be a raffle so any donations for prizes (big or small) would be greatly appreciated, thank you



FOR THE LOVE OF MUSICALS

Children's Musical Theatre Workshop
With talented professional performer
JESS MCGLINCHY
THE MUNI THEATRE
We are hosting a super-fun-filled kids holiday club this half term for 7-14 year-olds (flexible for ages 5-16) at **The Muni Theatre** in Colne!
After the huge success of our Halloween workshops in Oct 2024, we are thrilled to bring back our half-term holiday club this February! Kids will immerse themselves in the world of musicals, exploring their voices, movements, crafts and performance skills through a range of iconic shows.
All information can be found online:
✨ [For The Love of Musicals](#) ✨

DIARY OF EVENTS

If you wish to promote a community event in our diary below, please contact the school office. Please note there may be circumstances in which these dates are subject to change:

School Events:

- 7 Jan to 24 Feb 25** - RSPB Big Schools Bird Watch
- Mon 24 Feb 2025** - School closed for Staff Training Day
- Tue 25 Feb 2025** - Young Voices Concert in Manchester (*selected pupils*)
- Wed 26 Feb 2025** - Y5/6 Netball Festival at South Craven School
- Fri 28 Feb 2025** - Class 2 Swimming Lessons start
- Mon 3 Mar 2025** - Scholastic Book Fair in school
- Tue 4 Mar 2025** - Scholastic Book Fair in school
- Wed 5 Mar 2025** - Scholastic Book Fair in school
- Thu 6 Mar 2025** - World Book Day
- w/c 10 Mar 2025** - British Science Week
- Thu 13 Mar 2025** - Class 3 & Class 4 visit to Murton Park, York
- Wed 19 Mar 2025** - Year 6 Crucial Crew visit PM
- Fri 21 Mar 2025** - Comic Relief Red Nose Day
- Tue 25 Mar 2025** - Parent Consultations ~ 2:00 to 6:00pm
- Thu 27 Mar 2025** - Parent Consultations ~ 2:00 to 6:30pm

- Wed 2 Apr 2025** - Rocksteady Band Concert for parents/carers of band members
- Thu 3 Apr 2025** - Decorate an Egg Competition
- Fri 4 Apr 2025** - Last Class 2 Swimming Lesson this academic year
- School finishes at 3:15pm for the Easter break
- 21 to 23 May 25** - Year 4 Residential visit to Eshton Grange

Community Events:

- Sat 8 Mar 2025** - Charity Band 'Slightly Strange Fruit' ~ Lothersdale Village Hall ~ 7pm (*see flyer above for further information and to purchase tickets.*)

