

# LOTHERSDALE FRIDAY NEWS

ISSUE 2

19<sup>th</sup> September 2025

## Learning for Life

Last academic year, we launched our Lothersdale Learning for Life curriculum. This exciting programme is designed to help children become effective, confident learners by exploring different areas of metacognition – thinking about how we learn and developing the skills to do it well.

To bring this curriculum to life, we have introduced four special characters – all inspired by wildlife you might see in our local area:

- **Relationship Rabbit**
- **Resilient Badger**
- **Resourceful Squirrel**
- **Reflective Owl**



Each character represents an important learning behaviour, encouraging children to work together, keep going when things are tough, find creative solutions, and think carefully about their learning.

A Parent Handbook and half-termly newsletters will be shared with you soon, giving more detail about the curriculum and the role of these characters.

In the meantime, we encourage you to ask your child about these characters:

- **What do they represent?**
- **How do they help with learning?**
- **Which of these learning behaviours has your child shown recently?**

We look forward to working together to help every child develop the skills they need for lifelong learning.



## Lothersdale School Association

The LSA is a group of volunteer parents, carers, teachers and school staff who work together to support the school by raising money for projects, equipment or facilities not covered by the school budget.

They organise various events throughout the school year for pupils and families to attend and help build memories and fundraise.

The LSA needs volunteers in order to run these events. If you think you have some time to spare (even a little) please contact Rachel Osborne or the school office to be added to the LSA Volunteers WhatsApp Group. Volunteers can dip in and out and don't need to volunteer on every project, only when you have the capacity.

The next LSA meetings will be held at school and ALL are welcome:

- **Wednesday 1st October – 5.30pm**
- **Wednesday 5th November – 5.30pm**

## School Grid and Appetito



We are so delighted that the children are enjoying our new school hot dinners. As a school, we have been so impressed by the quality and taste of all of the meals. We have seen an increase in orders which has been fantastic – thank you!

It is very simple to book a school meal on the School Grid app, giving you flexibility on the days you would like to order with some fantastic meals choices. If you are unsure on how to make a booking, please do not hesitate to speak to Mrs Phipps in the office.

If you are able to book a week in advance, this will help us to minimise food waste and over spending.

## School Council & Eco Warriors

We would like to thank all of the children who ran for our School council and Eco Warrior Rep positions. You should be all so proud of the fantastic examples you are!

The election took place on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September and results will be announced in assembly on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> September.

## Parent Reps

Please see this years class representatives. If you would like anything raising or sharing at the parent representative meetings, please do not hesitate to contact them or us:

### Lucy Woodward – Reception

**Laura King – Year 1**

**Sarah Young – Year 2**

**Victoria Baldwin – Year 3**

**Kelly Marshall – Year 4**

**Victoria Paul – Year 5**

**Rachel Morth – Year 6**

## Fair trade Week 2025

Next week our children will be learning all about Fairtrade – what it means, why it matters, and how the choices we make as consumers can make a real difference to farmers and workers around the world.

On Thursday 25th September, every class will take part in an exciting, hands-on workshop with Liz Roodhouse, Craven's Fairtrade Ambassador.

In the meantime, why not have a look in the shops to see if you can spot any Fairtrade products?

We'll also soon be welcoming some fairly traded rice into school – look out for payment on School Gateway next week!



## Upcoming Events

### 1 st October 2025

LSA planning meeting 5.30pm at school ALL WELCOME!

### 6<sup>th</sup> October 2025

Grandparents day – letter to follow next week.

### 6<sup>th</sup> October 2025

Y6- High Adventure Residential information evening – 6pm at school.

### 8th October 2025

Harvest festival – invitation to follow.

### 14<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> October 2025

School Open Afternoon, 1–3pm – for new admissions.

### 20<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025

Class 4's 'High Adventure' residential.

## Lothersdale Legends

This weeks Lothersdale Legends are:

### Class 1

Reception – **Ronnie Woodward**

### Class 2

Year 1 – **Annie Whitwham**

Year 2 – **Theo Tyson**

### Class 3

Year 3 – **Jude Baldwin**

Year 4 – **Ronnie Rook**

### Class 4

Year 5 – **Piper Davy**

Year 6 – **Emily Parsons**



We will be celebrating them in our Friday morning assembly on Friday **26<sup>th</sup>** September. Please come along if you child is one of our Lothersdale Legends for **9.00am**.

Well done also to this weeks:

**Maths Ambassador – Ronnie Wright**

**Year 6 Award – Bohdan Zakurdaiev**

who will be celebrated in class.



# LOTHERSDALE LOWDOWN

WEEKLY INFO YOU NEED TO KNOW



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Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September

## KS2 - CROSS COUNTRY

South Craven Cross Country event will take place on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September. All children from KS2 who wanted to take part should now be signed up. Children taking part will need to wear their **PE kit and hoody**. Parents/carers please be at South Craven School by **3.50pm** (please do not arrive prior to 3.40pm to allow buses and pupils to leave the school site). A member of South Craven staff will direct you accordingly once on site.

## ESHTON GRANGE

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September

A selected group of children will be heading to Eshton Grange on Thursday. For all parents who have been contacted, please could you ensure your consent forms are in by **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> September**. Don't forget to check your kit list!



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Primary School

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September

## BED TIME STORY - CLASS 1

Our Class 1 children are looking forward their celebration of 'Bed Time Story Day'. Please could Class One's parents/carers come to the school office for **2.30pm** for a cuddle and a good book with your child.

**Don't forget** - Class 1 children are to come into school in their **pyjamas** and bring their **favourite bedtime story!**

## OTHER INFO

- Young Voices will **NOT** be on next week – Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September.
- Census Day is **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October**, please could we ask that you **book your child in for a school meal** on that day. This significantly impacts the funding received to the school through government funding.

