

LOTHERSDALE FRIDAY NEWS

ISSUE 5

10th October 2025





Learning for Life

On Tuesday 7th October, all staff took part in further training focused on our Lotersdale Learning for Life curriculum.



During the session, staff reviewed the key vocabulary linked to each of the 17 learning skills and discussed practical ways to embed these principles even more deeply into everyday school life.

By consistently modelling this language with the children and encouraging them to identify and reflect on their own targets for each skill, we aim to make the Learning for Life approach a natural and integral part of our school's learning culture. Here is an example of one of the 17 skills, 'Making Links':

 Resourcefulness  Stash Away Squirrel					
Learning Behaviour: Making Links	I think about what I already know	I think about what new things I have learned	I spot similarities	I spot differences	I can make links between new learning and what I already know

Grandparents Day

It was a delight to get to meet over 80 grandparents who visited our school on Monday 6th October. Thank you to all of the grandparents and 'grand friends' who were able to come and celebrate with us. The children loved being able to show off their amazing work from the start of this first half term.

On world poetry day children had the opportunity to write poems, which were then shown to their grandparents at the event.



Harvest Festival

A huge thank you to all the families who joined us for this week's Harvest Festival celebrations.

It was wonderful to welcome everyone into school and church throughout the day to share in this special time of year together.

The children have worked incredibly hard to create thoughtful presentations about Fairtrade, following our recent Fairtrade Week, and we are so proud of their enthusiasm and understanding.

We would also like to thank everyone who kindly donated food items for the Keighley Women's Refuge – your generosity and support are greatly appreciated and will make a real difference to those in need.

As a reminder, bags of **Fairtrade rice** from True Origins are still available to purchase via the **School Gateway** app – your support helps to make a real difference to farming communities around the world.



Apetito Feedback

Please could we ask **ALL** parents (even if your child does not have a school dinner provided) to complete this quick questionnaire regarding the school dinners.

We have been delighted with the school meals that have been provided through Apetito this term. We are in the process now of gathering information so that we can review our menu offer.

<https://forms.office.com/e/xgxEbqbvxj>



Upcoming Events

13th October 2025

Athletics Club – Athletics is now **finished** for this half term, sorry for any inconvenience

14th and 16th October 2025

School Open Afternoon, 1.00–3.00pm – for new admissions. All are welcome.

15th October 2025

Wild Explorers Day – Class 1 and Class 2.

Reading Club – **cancelled** on this date.

16th October 2025

LSA Movie night please book your child's space as soon as possible.

20th – 24th October 2025

Class 4's 'High Adventure' residential.

19th October 2025

Athletics club is **cancelled** on this day.

22nd October 2025

Local History club is **cancelled** on this day.

Lothersdale Legends

This weeks Lothersdale Legends are:

Class 1

Reception – **Billy Blacka**

Class 2

Year 1 – **Adia Young**

Year 2 – **Leo Blacka**

Class 3

Year 3 – **Meredith Ingham**

Year 4 – **Frankie Harrison**

Class 4

Year 5 – **Harry Sykes**

Year 6 – **Lily North**



We will be celebrating them in our Friday morning assembly on Friday **17th October**. Please come along if you child is one of our Lothersdale Legends for **9.00am**.

Well done also to this weeks:

Maths Ambassador – Piper Davy

Year 6 Award – Berkeley Cowgill

who will be celebrated in class.

LOOTHERSDALE LOWDOWN

WEEKLY INFO YOU NEED TO KNOW

OPEN AFTERNOON - NEW ADMISSIONS

14th and 16th October - 1pm - 3pm

Our open afternoons are a great opportunity to meet families and children who may be joining us here at Lothersdale.

If you know of anyone who has a child starting Reception in September 2026, please do forward on the information poster attached on the next page.

Wednesday 15th October

WILD EXPLORERS

We are delighted to have been offered a day at Wild Explorers for children in **class 1** and **class 2** on Wednesday **15th October**.

Please could **ALL** parents **complete** the consent and medical form and return to the school office by **Monday 13th October**.

Parents please bring your child to the **Wild Explorers car park** (what3words: **fortunes/outlooks/sometimes**) for **9am**. Please **car share where possible**.

Please wait with the children until the teacher has arrived
children will be need to be collected at **2.45pm** from the same location as stated above.

LSA - MOVIE NIGHT

Thursday 16th October

Our LSA are putting on a fantastic 'Movie Night' of **Lilo and Stitch**. This will be a fun evening for the children whilst raising vital funds for the school. Please see the poster on the next page for more details.

To book your child's place be go to your **School Gateway** account.

20th - 24th October

HIGH ADVENTURE - CLASS 4

Our Class 4 residential is fast approaching and we are so excited for all of the activities and memories the children will make on this trip.

All parents should have received an electronic consent forms are completed and sent to the school office.

Please do not forget to pay on School Gateway for the trip.

OTHER INFO

- **No Athletics club** on Monday 13th and 20th October, sorry for any inconvenience
- **Swimming Payments - Class 3** - Please don't forget that you can pay in instalments towards Class 3's swimming lessons on School gateway. The children are thoroughly enjoying the classes as well as learning valuable life skills.

LOTHERSDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

**'NURTURE ALL HEARTS
INSPIRE ALL MINDS'**

School Open Days - 1PM - 3PM
Tuesday 14th and Thursday 16th October

**SCHOOL
PLACES
AVAILABLE
RECEPTION TO
YEAR 6**



**June 2025 Ofsted
'Outstanding' in
ALL areas;**

- ✓ Teaching and learning
- ✓ Behaviour and Attitudes
- ✓ Personal Development
- ✓ Leadership and Management
- ✓ Early Years Provision



Lotersdale Primary School, BD20 8HB



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The LSA invites you to...



NOW SHOWING

Lilo & Stitch

Thursday 16th October, 3.15 to 5.30pm

£6 per child* (includes a hotdog, snack and drink!)

Book your movie tickets on the School Gateway app!

*The third child from a family is free of charge.

For support with ticket costs, please contact the LSA in confidence

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