

# LOTHERSDALE FRIDAY NEWS

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## Christmas Spirit

What a festive week it has been at Lothersdale Primary! It was wonderful to welcome our school community to the Christmas Fair on Tuesday evening. A huge thank you goes to our amazing LSA team, and to all the parent and staff volunteers who worked tirelessly to make the event such a success. It was lovely to see everyone enjoying the evening, and we hope you had a fantastic time.

The festive fun didn't stop there! We were delighted to welcome over 60 parents and carers into school to create a variety of Christmas crafts with their children. Thank you to the staff team for their hard work in making this event such a success. A very special thanks goes to Mrs Allen, who designed the activities, created the instruction booklets, and organised the event – an exceptional job that we are all very grateful for!

We look forward to seeing you next week for the Christmas performance. Have a wonderful weekend!

## THANK YOU from the LSA

The LSA would like to say a huge thank you to all parents, carers, teachers, friends and villagers who made our Christmas Fair not only possible, but also a great success!

Whether you volunteered your time, donated prizes, crafts, tombola items, baked goods and food, or took time out of your day to attend, we are incredibly grateful for your support.

Special thanks to Mrs Allen for painting faces right to the end of the night; Mrs Knight, our Chief Elf, for taking such good care of Santa and lots of excited children; Mrs Laycock for her tireless efforts in the run up to the fair and her orderly running of the cafe on the night; and to Katie Wiggan and Anna Chapman for their dedication in ensuring the fair ran smoothly and was a smash hit with all who attended.

The grand total raised by the fair was an amazing **£1705**, which will go directly back to supporting the school and children in their learning. We could not have achieved this without our incredible school community and you have our heartfelt thanks.

**The LSA.**





## History Club

In History Club this term, we've been exploring a range of fascinating historical eras, and this week our focus turned to chronology. The children worked brilliantly to sequence key events from British history on their own timelines, helping them build a clearer sense of how different periods connect.

Each child has now selected a specific time in history they'd like to investigate further. Over the next few weeks, they'll be carrying out their own research and creating a presentation to share with the group - an exciting opportunity to delve deeper into the past and showcase their findings!



## School Gateway

As part of our ongoing improvements, we are upgrading our School Gateway following our migration to Arbor. During this transition, payments are being manually transferred to the new system over the coming week. This may result in a short delay between the two systems while the transfer is completed.

Please note that all bookings and payments for December will not be affected. The work taking place now will help us set up all clubs and payments for January, including our Extended School Club bookings.

**Please could we ask that all overdue payments are settled up by the end of term. We will aim to move over any outstanding balances on to the NEW account over the Christmas holidays. If you are able make note of any balances you maybe aware of to help us ensure all items have been carried over correctly, it would be greatly appreciated.**

If you experience any issues, please email the school office with details of the specific problem - screenshots are especially helpful. We will aim to get back to parents as quickly as possible, but please do bear with us if there is a delay in our response.

**Thank you for your patience and understanding during this process.**

## Upcoming Events

### 10<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Whole School Christmas Concert - Skipton Town Hall

### 15<sup>th</sup> December

-Extend School Clubs booking deadline  
-Christmas Gift Donations - Keighley Refuge - Please could all donations for this date

### 16<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Legends After School Club Christmas Party  
please could parents book by Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December to help us cater correctly.

### 17<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Christmas Lunch - Please book your child's meal by Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December

### 17<sup>th</sup> December 2025 - 3.15 - 5.30pm

LSA Christmas Movie 'That Christmas' please book on School gateway.

### 18<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Party Day

**Children can come into school with Christmas jumpers for the last week of term**

A festive movie poster for 'That Christmas'. At the top, a red curtain is pulled back to reveal a snowy night scene. A reindeer and a turkey are perched on a roof. A large, glowing sign in the center reads 'MOVIE Night'. Below the sign, a child in a red coat and hat is hanging from a reindeer. The background shows a snowy house with children looking out of the windows. The title 'THAT CHRISTMAS' is written in large, red, stylized letters at the bottom. A 'PG' rating logo is visible. Text at the bottom of the poster provides details about the movie night event.

The LSA invites you to...

**MOVIE Night**

**THAT CHRISTMAS** PG

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December, 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