

# LOTHERSDALE FRIDAY NEWS

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## Welcome Back

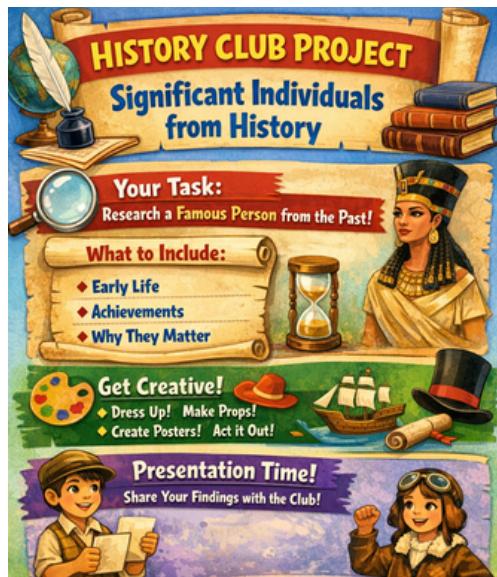


Welcome back to the Spring term. It has been wonderful to welcome the children back to school, albeit a day later than planned. Thank you for your patience and cooperation while we tended to the boiler fault and frozen pipes at the start of the week. We are also very grateful to those parents and carers who offered their support at the time – it was truly appreciated.

We have lots to look forward to this Spring term, with many exciting new topics for the children to explore. Please keep an eye out for the Spring term curriculum overview and the class newsletter, which will be coming home with your child shortly. We hope you find this information helpful.

As you may remember, general information about the Lothersdale Learning for Life curriculum was shared during the Autumn term. This half term, our focus will be on **Relationship Rabbit**, with children setting personal targets and considering how they can strengthen their relationship skills. Please look out for the **new half-termly newsletter** focused on Relationship Rabbit, which will be sent out on Monday.

Thank you for your continued support – here's to a great term ahead.



## History Club

I am pleased to share details of our upcoming History Club project, where pupils will be researching a significant individual from history and presenting their learning in a creative and engaging way.

Throughout the project, pupils will explore their chosen person's early life, major achievements, and why they are still important today. Most work will be completed during History Club sessions, though pupils are welcome to carry out additional research or prepare costumes and props at home if they wish. The project will conclude with pupil presentations on Wednesday 4th February, where pupils will have the opportunity to confidently share their learning with the club.

## Class One

Class One made the most of the wonderful winter weather by heading out to explore the local woodlands and enjoy some nature watching. The children spent time looking for birds and observing the natural environment around them. Everyone had a fantastic time exploring, discovering and learning outdoors.



## Fair Trade Rice

We still have a large amount of rice available and would love your support in helping us sell the remaining stock. Please remember that you can purchase multiple bags easily via School Gateway, which is a great way to stock up at home.

We'd also love to hear how you're using the rice. If you've made any tasty meals or tried out new recipes, please let us know and share your ideas with the school community.



# A Rocking Celebration of Learning!



We are delighted to announce an exciting day of maths and music at Lothersdale Primary School on **Wednesday 14th January 2026**. Alongside our much-anticipated Rocksteady Concert, pupils will also be taking part in a Times Tables Rockstars Day –a fun, high-energy celebration designed to make learning times tables memorable and motivating.

On the day, children are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite rock stars.

All children will have the opportunity to watch their friends perform in the Rocksteady Concert. Parents of children who are taking part should now have booked their places to attend and enjoy the performance.

Throughout the day, pupils will enjoy a range of engaging maths challenges and activities focused on times tables, helping them to build confidence, speed and accuracy in a lively and enjoyable way.

As the name suggests, the spotlight will be firmly on times tables. Secure knowledge of times tables is vital for success across mathematics—from multiplication and division to fractions, percentages and problem-solving. When children know their times tables well, they can focus on understanding new concepts with confidence, becoming resilient and successful mathematicians.

We hope this exciting event will inspire children to practise their times tables, celebrate their achievements and enjoy maths in a positive, energetic way.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We're looking forward to a truly rocking day of maths and music!

## Upcoming Events

**14<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

Rocksteady Concert – 9.00am –9.40am

**14<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

Times Table Rock Star Day

**29<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

SEND Visit to Eshton Grange

**5<sup>th</sup> February 2026**

Young Voices Choir – Co-Op Arena, Manchester

**14<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2026**

Half Term

**23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026**

Inset Training Day

## Lotherdale Legends

This weeks Lothersdale Legends are:

Class 1

Reception – **Felicity Bridges**

Class 2

Year 1 – **Eddie Williams**

Year 2 – **Sienna Binns**

Class 3

Year 3 – **Tommy Airlie**

Year 4 – **Max Williams**

Class 4

Year 5 – **Ivy Kirkley**

Year 6 – **Annabelle Jefferys**



We will be celebrating them in our Friday morning assembly on Friday 16th January. Please come along if you child is one of our Lothersdale Legends for 9.00am.

## SCHOOL GRID

We have been informed that the menus on School Grid are currently only showing one dessert option. Please be assured that children will be offered a choice of dessert, fruit or fruit salad. If you would prefer your child not to be offered a dessert option on that day, please email the school in advance.