

# LOTHERSDALE FRIDAY NEWS

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## SCIENCE WEEK

Everyone at Lothersdale Primary School has had a fantastic time celebrating British Science Week, taking part in a range of exciting hands-on investigations and experiments across all classes. Throughout the week, children have been asking questions, making predictions and exploring the world around them through a variety of engaging scientific activities. We were delighted to welcome specialist science teacher Miss Cooper from South Craven, who delivered exciting lessons in Class 3 and Class 4, inspiring pupils with her expertise and enthusiasm for science. The week concluded with our whole-school Science Fair on Thursday 12th March, where pupils had the opportunity to share their investigations and discoveries with one another and celebrate all the fantastic scientific learning that has taken place. It has been wonderful to see such curiosity, teamwork and creativity as pupils embraced the spirit of discovery.

Thank you for supporting your children explore the world of science around them at home and encouraging them to see the wonder in science.

★ **Well done** to everyone who completed a science project over the week, and to those who brought their findings to share at our Science Fair. We had some amazing examples of scientific thinking, creativity, and curiosity. It was inspiring to see such excitement for science.

### 🏆 Our 2026 winners are:

- **Ronnie Wright**
- **Jessica Staveley**
- **Lucas Heaviside**
- **Beulah Cranham**
- **Ava Holmes**
- **Lucy Kennedy**
- **Peter Wooley**
- **William & Edward Paul**



# Lothersdale Leap Into Action

Get ready for two weeks packed with energy, teamwork and fun. Our children will be taking on a whole range of exciting activities – from fancy dress and Mini-Olympics to cross-country, swimathons and even a parents-versus-children showdown. It's a brilliant chance for everyone to get active and come together as a school community.

## 🚩 Sports Fancy Dress – Monday 16th March

Children can come to school in sportswear or dressed as their favourite sports star. Voluntary £1 donation via the Arbor school shop.

## 🏅 Mini-Olympics – Wednesday 18th March

All children take part in a range of outdoor activities run by Craven College students. Please ensure children have weather-appropriate PE kit and a water bottle.

## 🏃 Cross Country – Friday 20th March

Reception and KS2 children complete a cross-country challenge. Includes a Gerry's Gym warm-up and house-team lap competition. Children need PE kit, water bottle, and suitable running shoes.



## 🏊 Swimathon – Friday 20th March (KS1)

KS1 children complete fun swimming challenges during their usual lesson. Focus on water confidence and participation.

## ⚽ Children v Parents – Wednesday 25th March (3:15–5:00pm)

Held at Lothersdale Park. [Tickets via Arbor – under the School Shop.](#)

Events:

- Football: 3:30–3:50pm
- Rounders: 4:00–4:30pm
- Egg Throwing: 4:40–4:50pm

Parents and children can sign up for any number of events.



## 🚲 Lothersdale to London Challenge – Thursday 26th March

Goal: collectively cycle 220 miles on indoor bikes.

Children will contribute during the school day.

Parents/carers can sign up for [20-minute cycling slots](#)

– via Arbor under Parent Consultations.

(or longer by contacting Mrs Phipps).

**Sponsorship welcome.**



## 🐣 Easter Active Challenge

Children choose an active challenge to complete over the Easter holidays (e.g., running total miles, daily cycling, workouts, dog walking, or even climbing a Yorkshire peak in fancy dress).

Family involvement encouraged.

All sponsorship supports sports equipment and opportunities.

Please return sponsorship money by Friday 17th April.

## Great Fire of London Workshop

On Thursday 12th March, class 2 took part in a Great Fire of London workshop with The Freshwater Theatre Company. We time travelled all the way back to Pudding Lane in 1666! We met a lady called Mary Porter, who showed us around London and talked about her recount of this historical event. It was great to see the children so engaged with this workshop and see our topic come to life! A huge thank you to Class 2 parents, for supporting us with this workshop and I am sure it will be an experience that the children will remember!



## Lothersdale Lowdown

16th March – 12th April 2026

Lothersdale Leap into Action challenge

17th March 2026

Y6 Crucial Crew

17th March 2026

Parent Consultations

19th March 2026

Parent Consultations

25th March 2026

Rock Steady Concert

27th March 2026

Last day of term

13th April 2026

First day back of Summer term

## Lothersdale Legends

This weeks Lothersdale Legends are:

Class 1

Reception – **Hazel Ellis**

Class 2

Year 1 – **Annie Whitwham**

Year 2 – **Georgina Wakeford**

Class 3

Year 3 – **Evie Knight**

Year 4 – **Jude Wiggan**

Class 4

Year 5 – **Edward Paul**

Year 6 – **Bohdan Zakurdaiev**



We will be celebrating them in our Friday morning assembly on Friday 20th March. Please come along if your child is one of our Lothersdale Legends for 9.00am.

Well done also to this weeks:

Maths Ambassador – **Jax Butterfield**

Year 6 Award – **Annabelle Jeffreys**

who will be celebrated in class.



**Well done to our nature club who helped rescue Lolly the bat, who was found injured at school. She is being cared for and slowly rebuilding her strength.**