

# LOTHERSDALE FRIDAY NEWS

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## Welcome back



Welcome back! We hope you all enjoyed a restful and refreshing half term break.

This half term, our focus will be on consolidating the children's learning and ensuring they feel confident and secure in all they have achieved this year. Alongside this, we will be supporting pupils in preparing for the next stage of their education through our comprehensive transition programme, helping each child move forward with confidence and enthusiasm. New to this year, Monday mornings will become a transition opportunity for class teachers to deliver maths and English to their new cohorts, enabling them to assess and pre-teach core learning, prior to September.

We are particularly looking forward to celebrating our Year 6 pupils as they approach the end of their primary journey. The upcoming leavers' events promise to be memorable occasions, and we are excited to share these special moments with the children as they mark the culmination of their time with us.

We are equally delighted to be welcoming our new Reception starters and their families over the coming weeks. Transition events will be taking place this term, and we are thrilled to begin building relationships with our newest members of the school community.

One of the highlights of the term will be our Sponsored Walk on Thursday 18th June. This will be a wonderful opportunity to come together as a school community, and we very much look forward to sharing the event with you. We are incredibly grateful for any sponsorship you are able to raise. Last year, your generosity enabled us to purchase 32 iPads, which will make a significant impact on learning across the school. This year, we hope to raise funds to further enhance our provision by developing our outdoor area and trim trail.

In addition, we will shortly be sending out information inviting parents to support us with some school and grounds projects. Your help makes a huge difference, so please do keep an eye out for further details.

This half term, our Lothersdale Learning for Life focus character is 'Stashaway Squirrel'. Through this, we will be encouraging the children to develop their resourcefulness and independence in learning, helping them to become confident, capable learners.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We look forward to a happy, productive, and eventful final half term.

*Mrs Tyson*

## Online Safety at Home – Quick Check for Parents

Did you know that most UK home internet routers come with parental controls switched off by default? Many families are surprised to discover that the filters designed to help protect children online are not active on their home Wi-Fi.

To support parents and carers, we recommend a quick and simple check using [ParentalControl.uk](https://parentalcontrol.uk). This free tool allows you to see, in around 30 seconds, whether your home broadband filters are working—there's nothing to sign up for and nothing to pay.

If any settings need adjusting, the website will guide you directly to your broadband provider's official instructions, with clear, step-by-step advice.

Adding this quick check to your routine can help ensure children are safer online when using the internet at home. We strongly encourage all families to take a moment to run this simple check.

# Water Safety

During term each class will be taking opportunities to share advice about water safety. To find out more information about water safety and how you can help your children be prepared please check out:

[Click here: Royal Life Saving Society](#)

Whenever you are around water:

## STOP AND THINK

Take time to assess your surroundings. Look for the dangers and always research local signs and advice.



## STAY TOGETHER

When around water always go with friends or family. Swim at a lifeguarded venue.



In an emergency:

## CALL 999

If you are at the coast, call 999 and ask for the Coastguard. Don't enter the water to rescue.



## FLOAT

Fall in or become tired - stay calm, float on your back and call for help. Throw something that floats to somebody that has fallen in.



## Important Notice:

### Priority Accessibility Parking

We would like to make parents aware that there is a **priority parking space** located directly outside the school entrance next to the 'Show you care by parking fair' sign. This area is specifically reserved for a child with accessibility needs, and it is essential in ensuring that the child can safely and comfortably access the school each day.

We respectfully ask that this priority parking area is **not used or blocked at any time**, including for short drop-offs or collections. Even a brief stop in this space can create significant difficulties and may prevent the child from safely entering or leaving the school.

We understand that drop-off and pick-up times can be busy, and we greatly appreciate your cooperation in respecting this clearly designated area. By doing so, you are helping us maintain a safe, inclusive, and supportive environment for everyone in our school community.



## Lothersdale Lowdown

16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Year 6 Bikeability

17<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Nursery Open Evening – 4–5pm

Reception New Parents Evening – 5.30 – 6pm

18<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Sponsored Walk

22<sup>nd</sup> June 2026

Year 6 – Eshton Grange

26<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Non uniform – In aid of LSA Summer Fair Donations

2<sup>nd</sup> July 2026

Sports day

LSA Summer Fair – more info to follow

10<sup>th</sup> July 2026

Class 2 – Zoolab experience – On site

## Lothersdale Legends

This weeks Lothersdale Legends are:

Class 1

Reception – **Hazel**

Class 2

Year 1 – **William**

Year 2 – **Lottie**

Class 3

Year 3 – **Alfie**

Year 4 – **Evie A**

Class 4

Year 5 – **Grae**

Year 6 – **Phoebe**

We will be celebrating them in our Friday morning assembly on **Friday 12th June**. Please come along if your child is one of our Lothersdale Legends for 9.00am.

Well done also to this weeks:

Maths Ambassador – **Sophie B**

Year 6 Award – **Annabelle K**

who will be celebrated in class.

