

LOTHERSDALE FRIDAY NEWS

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Lothersdale Celebrates Outstanding IDSR Report

We are delighted to share that Lothersdale Primary School has received a very positive Inspection Data Summary Report (IDSR). The IDSR provides an overview of key school performance information and is used by Ofsted and school leaders to help evaluate how well a school is performing.

This report summarises data collected over the last three years and includes information on areas such as attendance, attainment and progress across all year groups. The data is compared with that of similar schools nationally, providing an important benchmark of how our school is performing.

The report highlights many areas of strength across our school and reflects the hard work, dedication, and commitment shown by our children, staff, governors, and families. **We are incredibly proud of what our school community continues to achieve together.**

The IDSR is beneficial because it allows schools to:

- Review performance and progress across different year groups.
- Identify strengths and celebrate success.
- Highlight areas for further development and improvement.
- Compare outcomes with national averages and similar schools.
- Ensure that every child receives the best possible education and support.

Whilst data is only one part of a school's story, receiving such positive outcomes is encouraging and demonstrates the impact of the high-quality teaching, nurturing environment, and ambitious opportunities we provide for our children. I would like to extend our sincere **thanks to our dedicated staff team**, whose hard work, passion and commitment to every child make achievements like this possible.

Thank you to all of our families for your continued support. This achievement belongs to our whole school community, and we look forward to building on these successes as we continue striving for excellence for every child at Lothersdale.

Planetarium

Last Friday, our school was transformed into a journey through space as children enjoyed an incredible visit from the Planetarium. The experience was both inspiring and educational, bringing learning to life and sparking curiosity about the wonders of our universe. The children were fully engaged and thoroughly enjoyed this unique opportunity.

Thank you to all of those who have donated to the event so far, it is greatly appreciated. Your support helps us to continue offering exciting enrichment experiences such as this in the future, ensuring our children benefit from the same fantastic opportunities year after year. If you have not yet done so, voluntary contributions towards the cost of the event can still be made via Arbor.





Harvest Festival

We were delighted to come together to celebrate Harvest Festival this year, with our Key Stage 1 children hosting a wonderful celebration in school and our Key Stage 2 children taking part in a beautiful service at church. Both events were filled with joyful singing, thoughtful readings and reflections, reminding us of the importance of gratitude, kindness and supporting those in need within our community.

A huge **thank you** goes to all the children for their enthusiasm and excellent participation, to our staff for helping to organise the events, and to our families and community members who attended and supported us. In addition, we would like to thank Christine Mitchell and Rev. Suzy McCarter for hosting us in Lothersdale Church.

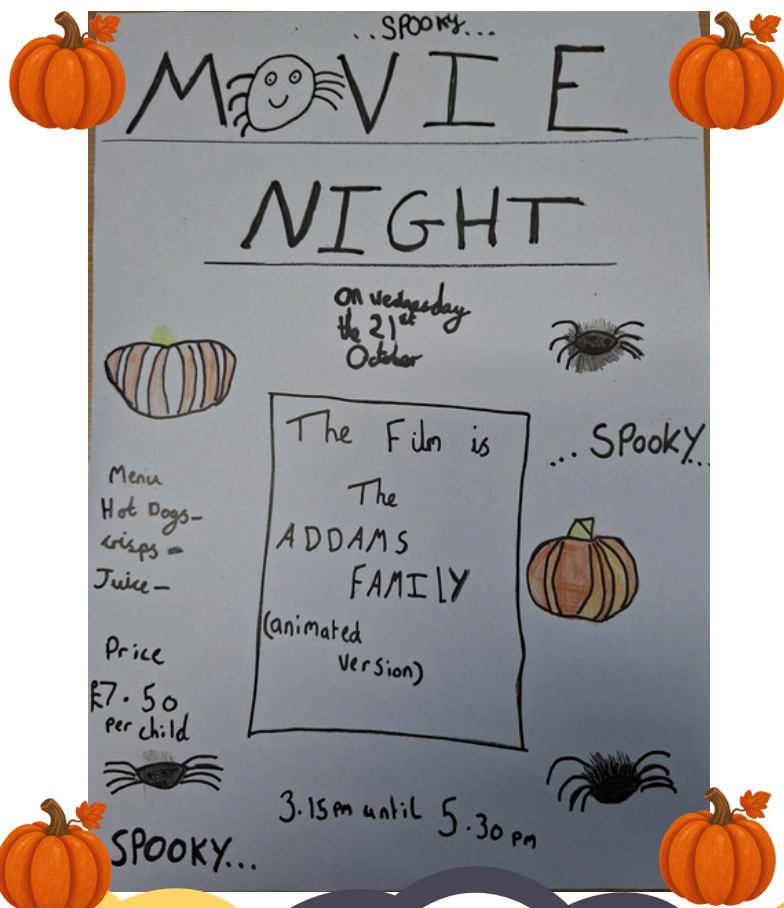
We would also like to extend a special **thank you** to everyone who donated items for our harvest collections. We are delighted to share that the donations for Keighley Women's Refuge have been gratefully received and will make a meaningful difference to local families who need support.

Spooky Day

Please note information regarding Class 1's Spooktacular Day.

The whole school is **welcome** to come to school dressed in Halloween-themed clothing or costumes. We kindly ask that all outfits are appropriate for primary school children and not scary, as we want the day to be enjoyable and inclusive for everyone.

We are looking forward to a fun-filled day celebrating the end of the first half term.



Lothersdale Lowdown

KEY DATES

19th October 2026

Model your Magnificence Fashion Show

21st October 2026

LSA Movie Night – Addams Family (animated version) – booked your child in via Arbor School App.

20th & 22nd October 2026

School Open Afternoons – Reception starters 2027

22nd October 2026

Spooktacular fancy dress day

23rd October 2026

Inset Day

2nd November 2026

First day of term

2nd – 6th November October 2026

Class 1 Phonics Drop-ins

8th November 2026

Remembrance Sunday Service at Village Cenotaph (School Council to attend) 10.45am

9th – 13th November 2026

Class 4 – Marrick Priory Residential

Key Information

Congratulations to all our children who put themselves forward to be a school councillor they all did a fantastic job. We are delighted to share the results for our school council.

Year	Pupil 1	Pupil 2
Reception	Ella	Noah
Year 1	Flora	Summer
Year 2	Eddie	Na'amah
Year 3	Petra	Dexter
Year 4	Jude B	Emma
Year 5	Elliot L	Martha
Year 6	George	Piper