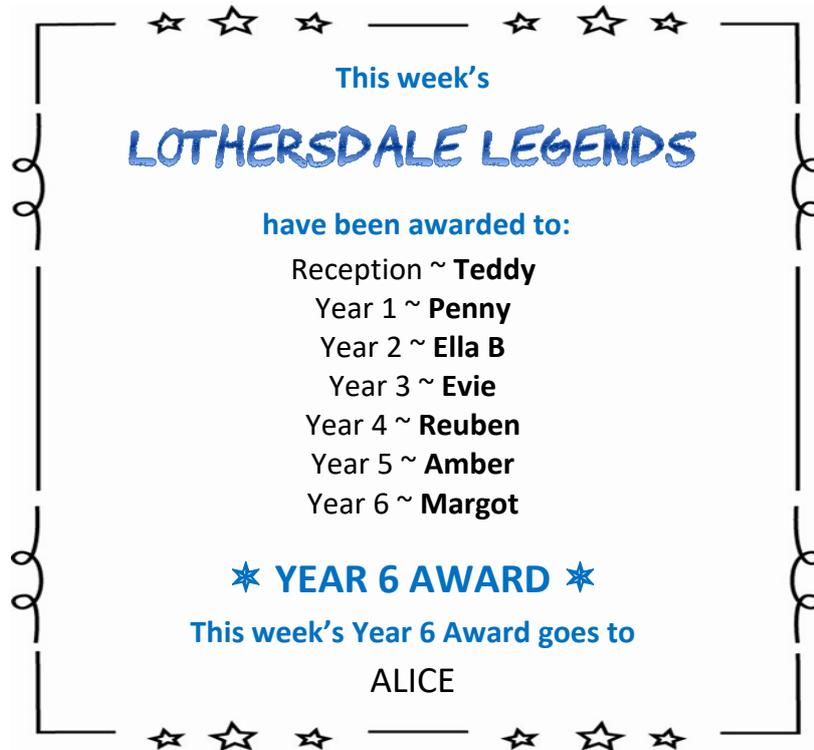


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## Deadlines & Reminders for w/c 30 November 2020

*It would be really helpful if requested reply slips/payments etc. could be returned by the stated deadlines to enable us to process the paperwork effectively this week. Thank you.*

- w/c 30 Nov 2020** - Booster sessions in school (selected pupils)
- Mon 30 Nov 2020** - Deadline for bringing in items for the LSA Christmas Raffle
  - Year 1 ~ Fabulous Phonics Booster Session ~ 8.20 to 9.00am (selected pupils)
  - Year 2 ~ Roaring Reading Booster Session ~ 8.20 to 9.00am (selected pupils)
  - Year 4 ~ Clever Calculations Booster Session ~ 3.10 to 3.45pm (selected pupils)
  - Year 5 ~ Marvellous Maths Booster Session ~ 3.15 to 3.45pm (selected pupils)
  - Year 6 ~ Glorious Grammar/Radical Reading ~ 3.15 to 4.00pm (selected pupils)
- Tue 1 Dec 2020** - Year 3 ~ Amazing Arithmetic Booster Session ~ 3.10 to 3.45pm (selected pupils)
- Wed 2 Dec 2020** - Year 1 ~ Fabulous Phonics Booster Session ~ 8.20 to 9.00am (selected pupils)
  - Year 2 ~ Magic Maths Booster Session ~ 8.20 to 8.50am (selected pupils)
  - Year 4 ~ Super Spellers Booster Session ~ 8.30 to 9.00am (selected pupils)
- Thu 3 Dec 2020** - Year 4 ~ Roaring Reasoning Booster Session ~ 8.30 to 9.00am (selected pupils)
  - Year 5 ~ Wonderful Writing Booster Session ~ 8.20am to 9.00am (selected pupils)
  - Year 3 ~ Once upon a picture Booster Session ~ 3.10 to 3.45pm (selected pupils)
  - Year 4 ~ Once upon a picture ~ Booster Session ~ 3.10 to 3.45pm (selected pupils)
- Fri 4 Dec 2020** - Deadline to book a Christmas Lunch (pupils on pack ups)
  - Deadline to book a Christmas Party Lunch (pupils on pack-ups)

**EXTENDED SCHOOL'S ACTIVITIES ~ w/c 30 November 2020**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Soccer Tots</b> 3.15 – 4.15pm	<b>Streetdance</b> 3.15 – 4.15pm	<b>Drama Club C2</b> 3.15 – 4.15pm	<b>Art Club</b> 3.15 – 4.15pm	<b>Y5/6 Football</b> 3.15 – 4.15pm
		<b>Drama Club C3</b> 3.15 – 4.15pm	<b>Supersports</b> 3.15 – 4.15pm	

**Please do not come onto the school playground – the member of staff/activity provider will unlock the main gate and bring the children out at the end of each session to ensure a safe handover to parents/carers. Please remember to keep your distance.**

**Headteacher  
Updates  
from  
Mr Grogan**

***Please find detailed below Headteacher updates for your information. If you have any queries regarding any of the content below, please contact the school office.***

Dear Parents/Carers

This week Mrs Ellison has sent out a Christmas Newsletter which details some of the forthcoming events in school. Like many of you, and also the children, I am very disappointed that we cannot celebrate Christmas in school in the usual fashion; I would love to be opening the doors to you for a Nativity and other Christmas performances, and I know the LSA would be keen to put on a Christmas Fayre. Alas, this cannot happen in 2020, however, we are working hard to ensure the children have a fun time in the build-up to Christmas, as well as working hard in class, of course.

Thank you to those who have already ordered a school calendar; already over 30% of the stock has been ordered, so please do not delay as you may miss out.

Thank you also to all those parents who have donated prizes to the raffle; your generosity really is appreciated by all of us at school.

This week we have had issues with power in the building again, and twice we have had to call out engineers to get service restored. We are working with our electrical contractor and Northern Powergrid to resolve this ongoing issue. We are very hopeful that once the new boiler is fully operational - which should be next week - and we can remove all the temporary heaters around school, our power problems should be over. We lost power to the water treatment plant today for a couple of hours, but thanks to staff ferrying buckets of water from neighbouring properties to flush the toilets, we were able to carry on without disruption.

The Online Safety resource I'd like to share with you this week is all about Games Consoles (Xbox, Playstation etc.). I thought with Christmas approaching, many lucky children might be receiving such gifts from Santa, and I thought it important that parents have as much information as possible to hand to help keep their children safe.

Have a great weekend.



**COLUM GROGAN**

*Please find detailed below general updates for your information. If you have any queries regarding any of the content below, please contact the school office.*

### Lothersdale School Association ~ Fundraising Events



Thank you to all the parents/carers who have been able to donate items for the LSA Christmas Raffle, it is very much appreciated.

sent out next week.

If you would still like to send in items and have not yet had chance to do so, please ensure they are passed to a member of staff at pick up or drop off on Monday 30 November 2020. Raffle tickets will hopefully be

### Lothersdale School Association ~ School Calendar 2021

Our Lothersdale 2021 Calendar is now on sale via ParentPay and costs £6.50 per calendar. You can order more than one calendar so if you have ordered one already and then require more later, you can go back into your ParentPay account to re-order. Please note the deadline for all orders is Friday 11 December 2020.



### Christmas Newsletter

Our Christmas Newsletter was sent out via email yesterday and details our events taking place in December. We would be grateful if parents/carers could adhere to stated deadlines to help us with administration over this busy period.

### Health Related Behaviour Survey 2020 ~ Year 2 and Year 6

A letter was emailed to parents/carers of children in Year 2 and Year 6 on Monday 23 November regarding this year's Health Related Behaviour Questionnaire.



### Childhood Immunisation Flu Feedback Survey

The Childhood Immunisation Team have set up a QR code system and a web link to gain feedback following their visit to school to administer the flu vaccination. They hope that parents/carers can scan the QR code or access the web link and assist their child/children to answer the short survey on their experience of their vaccination with our nurses. It is a very short survey and should only take a couple of minutes to complete. The questions are aimed at primary school children and they should be able to answer them quite confidently themselves. Younger children may need more support from a parent/carer.

Please access using the code or link below. Many thanks for your help.

### Web link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/I5298JJ>

### QR Code:



*Please find detailed below Class 1 updates from Mrs Bateman. If you have any queries, please contact the school office in the first instance (lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk).*

Another lovely week in Class 1. The children all we've learnt about the Hindu festival of light called Diwali, rehearsing our Nativity performance for Christmas (and trying on the costumes) AND going to the woods! What a lot of good fun and learning.

The children have been independent learners this week creating with their play-dough, carefully drawing with our felt-tips and making words with the letter fans.



We are experts at singing the alphabet song from Epic Phonics and doing the actions for each letter. If you'd like to hear it at home, follow my link to the song – I'm sure it will make you smile to see your child joining in!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5PmB3SliNdQ>

On Thursday we got dressed for the cold weather and went to the woods. It was great fun making woodland soup for the animals who live there. We hope a hedgehog or maybe a squirrel would enjoy the soup after we'd gone.



**Class 2 Updates**  
from  
Mr Craven

***Please find detailed below Class 2 updates from Mr Craven. If you have any queries, please contact the school office in the first instance (lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk).***

This week in Class 2, we have continued to read and explore our class text, 'The Day The Crayons Quit'. The children have enjoyed learning about different types of sentences. They wrote some brilliant questions to ask the crayons and can confidently use question marks.

We have begun multiplication this week in Maths. The children have impressed me when learning or recapping counting in 2's, 5's and 10's and this is something that we shall continue to practise throughout the year. We have now begun to discuss and make equal groups for multiplication and answer some tricky reasoning problems.

The children have continued to develop their knowledge of the uses of everyday materials in our science work. The children have learnt to identify a range of properties including whether materials are waterproof, absorbent and transparent or opaque. They loved the challenge of designing their own rabbit hut. They then worked well to explain why they had chosen different materials for different parts of their rabbit huts because of their properties.

Keep up the hard work Class 2.

**Class 3 Updates**  
from Miss Gallagher  
& Mrs Daniell

***Please find detailed below Class 3 updates from Miss Gallagher & Mrs Daniell. If you have any queries, please contact the school office in the first instance (lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk).***

This week, the children have continued with their multiplication learning in maths and have been looking at how to multiply by 10 and 100 as well as using the formal written method for trickier questions. In English, the children have been looking at the features of a diary entry and in the coming weeks they will be writing their own diary entries as if they were 'Hiccup' from our class book.

The children are continuing to work hard for their Christmas performance and it is looking great – we can't wait to show you once we have recorded it.

Year 3 have been very busy in their cookery sessions. They have impressed Miss Russell by always striving to be the best they can be and trying their hardest and this week was a really messy cooking session. The fishcakes they made had to be moulded using their hands and then dunked in egg and breadcrumbs! Well done Year 3's for working extremely hard!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank parents/carers for engaging so well with any booster classes your child has attended this week. All children in Class 3 have worked really hard and Miss Russell, Mrs Binns and myself are all excited to see the children engaging in some more fun learning activities that will enable them to recall the knowledge they may have forgotten from previous years.

Have a lovely weekend.



**Class 4 Updates**  
from  
Mrs Fawcett

***Please find detailed below Class 4 updates from Mrs Fawcett. If you have any queries, please contact the school office in the first instance (lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk).***

Another week has whizzed by! Year 5's maths work has involved working with multiples, factors and common factors and Year 6 have continued their work on fractions, learning how to add and subtract both proper fractions and mixed numbers, expressing answers as improper fractions and mixed numbers, before moving onto multiplying fractions and mixed numbers. This week's KIRF focus has been factor pairs, our next target relating to prime numbers.

In English, we have consolidated our knowledge of applying inference skills to reading comprehension, and in addition to this, we have completed a check-up to ensure we have retained the key skills required to answer both word meaning and retrieval questions too. Revision of the conventions associated with using direct speech in our writing, will lead to a piece of work where speech will be used to advance the action.

Weekly spelling patterns will be tested on Monday 30 November, as will the check-ups on the Year 3/4 and 5/6 key word lists. Please access the Spellzone website at home throughout the week, the children making their way through the course pathway they have been assigned. A target of five Reading Plus stories and one vocabulary exercise should be completed by the end of the week. Maths CGP homework books have been handed out today.

Congratulations go to Nel who has moved up a level on Reading Plus this week – this is excellent work.

Have a lovely weekend, and we look forward to seeing you on Monday morning.

**School Website**  
**Updates**

***Remember to look on our School Website for further information on what is happening around school! New postings on our website this week are listed below:***

Friday News

Online Safety ~ Games Consoles

**Community**  
**Noticeboard**

***We are delighted to be able to promote community events in our Friday News that may be of interest to our families and friends. If you would like us to promote a local event please pass the details to the school office by Wednesday to be included in the Friday News of that week.***

**United Benefice of Sutton, Cowling and Lothersdale ~ Live@4**

Please find attached flyer detailing how to access the online Christmas church events taking place over the Christmas Period, for your information.

*If you wish to promote a community event in our diary below, please contact the school office. Please note there may be circumstances in which these dates are subject to change:*

**School Events:**

- Fri 11 Dec 2020** - Christmas Jumper Day ~ wear a Christmas Jumper to school to support Save the Children
- Mon 14 Dec 2020** - Whole School Aladdin Pantomime Workshops
- Tue 15 Dec 2020** - Raffle Draw in school  
- School Christmas Lunch
- Thu 17 Dec 2020** - Christmas Party Day
- Fri 18 Dec 2020** - Christmas Jumper Day ~ wear a Christmas Jumper to school to support Save the Children  
- School closes at 3.15pm for the Christmas break
- Mon 4 Jan 2021** - School closed for Staff Training
- Tue 5 Jan 2021** - School re-opens for the spring term
- Fri 15 Jan 2021** - Deadline for online submission of application for a primary school place for September 2021
- Tue 20 Apr 2021** - Bag2School collection in the Parent Shelter ~ by 9.00am

**Food Allergy Warning**

**Please remember Lothersdale Primary School is a Nut Free Zone**



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What you need to know about...

# GAMES CONSOLES



## What are they?

? 'Games Consoles' ?

Much like a television allows you to watch movies or a radio allows you to listen to music, a games console allows you to play video games. The most modern ones are names you might be familiar with – Sony PlayStation, Microsoft Xbox, and Nintendo Switch – and almost all of them can now connect to the internet and be enjoyed online with friends



## Know the Risks

### Online Content

While modern consoles don't strictly need to be connected to the internet, many of them also double up as an internet browser or provide the ability to stream TV shows and movies, so it's important that the appropriate filters and parental controls are in place to restrict children viewing any unsuitable content.

### Addictive nature

Games consoles require video games, and both can ultimately contribute towards an addictive habit. Playing too much and too often can force children to become reliant on the good feelings released when playing games, making them more likely to want to play them more frequently, and for longer periods of time.

### Hacking risk

It's almost impossible to avoid signing up to different services when using modern consoles. Keeping track of all these accounts can be confusing and in a worst-case scenario, fraudsters could gain access to personal information, addresses and bank details by hacking online profiles.

### Online Chat

Once connected to the internet, players can talk to each other either over headsets or using text chat functions on the consoles. Without the proper protections in place, children could speak to anybody of any age and find themselves building relationships with strangers they know nothing about.

## Safety Tips

### Check contacts

Online predators and hackers often use sly tactics to build relationships with children get them to illicit personal details through gaming platforms or gaming communities. Be on the lookout for suspect communications such as intrusive personal messages or people you suspect might not be who they say they are.

### Look for behaviour changes

Becoming withdrawn, irritable and anxious when not playing on a games console are trademark symptoms of gaming addiction. If children turn angry when asked to stop playing, that could also be a sign that an intervention is needed.

### Keep details private

Games consoles will almost exclusively ask you to enter your details securely on the console itself, or through a trusted website tied to the console maker. If somebody claiming to be working for Sony, Microsoft or Nintendo asks you to share your passwords or account details, do not give it to them.

### Use parental controls

Most gaming consoles will have parental controls which can be used to set up things like family management accounts. From here, parents can often set age limits on games and content, spending restrictions, limit play time and set up passwords and authentications to help keep children safe.

## Further Support

### Block and report

If someone has made your child feel uncomfortable, make note of suspect players' usernames. Often, you'll be able to ban or block these players in a game's settings. If you have proof of their intentions, don't hesitate to contact your local police force or authority with as much information and evidence as you can gather.

### Seek Support

If you're concerned about your child playing too much on their console and think they may have developed a gaming addiction, try and offer them support. The World Health Organisation has classified gaming disorder as a mental health condition and there may be external providers locally who can offer you more targeted help.

### Keep IDs safe

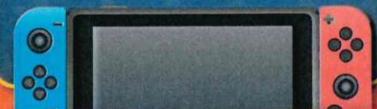
Be sure to talk to your child about the importance of keeping their identity safe. If they ever receive messages claiming to be from companies but something doesn't feel right, tell them not to respond and inform you. Things like odd spelling and grammar, strange email addresses, or asking for personal information are tell-tale signs.

## Our Expert

**Mark Foster**



Mark Foster has worked in the gaming industry for 5 years as a writer, editor and presenter. He is the current gaming editor of two of the biggest gaming news sites in the world, UNILAD Gaming and GAMINGbible. Starting gaming from a young age with his siblings, he has a passion for understanding how games and tech work, but more importantly, how to make them safe and fun.





# Live@4 *this* Christmas

*Live @ 4 is a short interactive online (Zoom) worship service including quizzes, games, craft activities, bible stories & prayers*



Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December 4pm  
**Getting ready for Christmas**

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December 4pm  
**Christingle Service**



Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> December 4pm  
**Christmas Eve Crib Service**

Feel free to join us for as many or few dates as you like but do let us know via the email below if you would like the Zoom contact details for the services and/or would like to receive a craft pack for the crafts shown  
*(you just need to provide your own orange!)*

email: [revd.brian.greenfield@gmail.com](mailto:revd.brian.greenfield@gmail.com)

***(NB: Christingle pack includes a glow stick candle for safety and all packs will have been quarantined for 72 hours before safe delivery)***



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