

AUTUMN TERM • ISSUE 12 • FRIDAY 2 DECEMBER 2022

We look forward to seeing you all on Saturday at the LSA Christmas Fair!

Lothersdale School Association CHRISTMAS FAIR

SATURDAY 3RD DECEMBER 2022 11am to 2pm

at Lothersdale Primary School

Entry Admission:



Adults: £2 Children: FREE Santa's Grotto: £2.50 Craft Room: £2 Gift Room: £2 Games Room: all games are 1 token each (tokens are 20p each, sold at reception)

Make a gift in our GIFT ROOM for someone special • Tombola • Visit SANTA in his Grotto • Play tin can alley, pirate treasure hunt, pin the nose on Rudolph, and lots more in our GAMES ROOM • Decorate a biscuit, make a calendar, create some reindeer food in our CRAFT ROOM • Relax with a hot or cold drink, hot dog and cake in our CAFÉ • Christmas RAFFLE •

Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you all on Saturday!



FOOD ALLERGY WARNING Please remember Lothersdale Primary School is a Nut Free Zone

SCHOOL PICK UP ARRANGEMENTS

Please remember to let the school office know if a different family member or friend will be collecting your child from school. School staff can only let children go with a nominated adult if parents/carers cannot pick up for any reason.

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HEADTEACHER update

Dear Parents / Carers

It was lovely to see so many of you in school this week for the parent consultations, and it was especially nice to hear the positive feedback that we received from so many of you. The overwhelming message I heard when speaking to parents and carers was of how much your children love coming to our school, and we really couldn't ask for any more than that. Please remember, our doors are always open to parents – not just at parent consultations - and we welcome open communication, so if there is ever anything you wish to talk to us about, please do not hesitate to be in touch.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the Christmas Fair tomorrow, and I have to say it looks like being a spectacular event with a bumper crowd. Huge thanks again to the LSA volunteers who have given so much time to this event and to all of you who have donated raffle prizes or baked cakes and buns.

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Please note there may be circumstances in which these dates are subject to change. More information will follow at a later date about events listed below:

Mon 16 Jan 2023 - LSA Meeting in school at 8.30am ~ everyone welcome to attend

DEADLINES & REMINDERS w/c 5 December 2022

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

Sat - LSA Christmas Fair ~ 11am to 2pm

- Mon Confirmation of attendance at the Class 3 rescheduled Parent Consultation
 - Deadline for sending in English homework for the Young Writer's Competition
 - Deadline for sending in the Pupil Data Information Sheet (please sign and return even if there are no changes, for our records)
 - Please bring in Christmas Costumes as detailed in earlier communication
 - Deadline for pre-ordering your child's sandwich option via SchoolGrid for the party lunch on 15 Dec
- Tue Rescheduled Class 3 Parent Consultation
- Wed All children to bring a packed tea to school
 - Christmas Concert at Skipton Town Hall at 6.15pm ~ entry by ticket only (maximum 2 tickets per family) ~ please ensure you bring your ticket with you to gain entry
 - No extended school clubs
- Thu Christmas costumes to be returned to school (where applicable)
 - LSA Christmas Raffle Draw
- Fri No school sweatshirt today ~ wear a Christmas jumper to school (see below)
 - Last Class 3 swimming lesson this term
 - Autumn Term extended school activities finish

Reminder: school starts at 8.45am

We would like to reiterate to all parents/carers that our school day begins at 8.45am, when children should be in school ready for registration. We regularly have a number of children who are arriving late and are registered accordingly. Our lessons are planned to a strict timetable and it is disruptive to the class if children are still arriving 10 minutes after lessons have started. We would be grateful if you could help us by ensuring your child is lined up on the playground by 8.40am ready to come into school.

HEALTH & SAFETY UPDATES

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.



A letter was emailed to all parents/carers on Wednesday 30 November 2022 following complaints from local residents about parking during school drop off and pick up.

As mentioned in our letter, we regularly post parking updates in our newsletter politely reminding parents/carers of the need to park responsibly and it is upsetting for the school to receive these complaints.

Please be aware that, due to the nature of the complaints, the local police will be carrying out 'spot checks' at school drop off and pick up times and we hope that parents/carers will help us with this issue.

GENERAL SCHOOL UPDATES

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.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT Skipton Town Hall Wednesday 7 December 2022



Our Christmas Concert will take place at Skipton Town Hall next Wednesday, 7 December 2022 at 6.15pm. The children have all worked hard in rehearsals this week and are really looking forward to performing their class and whole school songs for you.

Please remember that all children will need to bring in a packed tea on Wednesday morning to eat at Skipton Town Hall prior to the performance.

Up to two tickets have been allocated to each family for both parents/carers to attend. At the time of writing, extra tickets have been offered to parents/carers of Year 6 pupils. Remaining year groups will be offered tickets on a first come first serve basis via your ParentPay account on Monday from 5pm. Tickets will be sent out via bookbags on Tuesday 6 December 2022 ~ remember to bring your entry ticket with you.

Concert costumes: please note that children will go home after the concert in their costumes (where applicable). We would be grateful if you could ensure that all school costumes are returned to school on Thursday 8 December 2022.

PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEO RECORDING – INTERNET & SOCIAL MEDIA



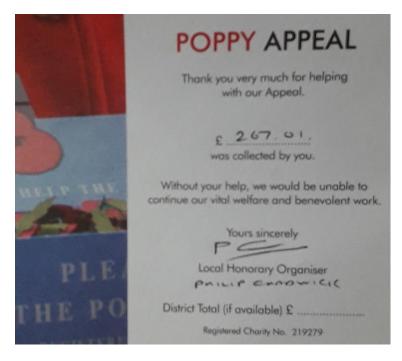
Please remember that we have a number of children in school who, for security reasons, cannot appear on social media.

Whilst we want to allow you to record special moments in your children's lives, we must insist that any digital

images or recordings posted on to the interest, or other social media sites, from cameras and mobile phones do not include pictures of any children other than your own, unless you have asked permission from the parents/carers of the children involved.

Remembrance Day Poppy Appeal

Thank you to all our parents/carers who supported this year's Poppy Appeal, which raised an amazing **£267.01.**



Robert Windle Trust Assembly ~ Monday 28 November 2022

Thank you to Margaret and Jane from The Robert Windle Trust who came into school on Monday morning to talk to the children in their assembly about the work of the Trust. Over the last two years, they have donated money to the school and this year have awarded a grant to the LSA to provide books for the school library. Margaret and Jane were able to visit the library to see how the money had been spent.

National Child Measurement Programme ~ Reception & Year 6

A letter was emailed on Tuesday 29 November to parents/carers of children in Reception and Year 6 from the Harrogate & District NHS Foundation Trust, regarding this year's National Child Measurement Programme. You do not need to do anything <u>unless</u> you wish to OPT OUT of this programme. Please follow the instructions in the letter if this is the case.

Tuesday 29 November and Wednesday 30 November 2022



Thank you to all our parents/carers for attending this term's Parent Consultation evenings this week. Please ensure you sign and return the Pupil Data Information Sheet (handed to you at the consultation) by Monday 5 December 2022 for our records.

Class 3 ~ Rescheduled Appointment ~ Tuesday 6 December 2022

Unfortunately, due to staff illness, the Class 3 consultation on Wednesday was unable to take place. Mrs Aldren is available to see those parents/carers, whose appointments were cancelled, on Tuesday 6 December ~ the same timings will apply. If you have not yet confirmed that you are able to attend the new date (a text was sent out on Wednesday 30 November), please email the school office by Monday 5 December 2022.

<u>Pupil Data Information Sheet</u>: please note that it is essential that the school has up-to-date contact and medical information on file regarding your child. You will be given a copy of your child's data sheet if you are able to attend next week's Parent Consultation and we would be grateful if you could check, amend where necessary, sign and return to the school office by <u>Monday 12 December 2022</u>. If you are unable to make next week's Parent Consultation, please call into the school office so that we can hand you your information sheet. Many thanks.

Keighley Women's Refuge (Staying Put) ~ PYJAMA DAY ~ Friday 2 December 2022

WOW! You all looked amazing in your pyjamas today and we would like to thank all those parents/carers who were able to contribute towards the cost of purchasing pyjamas for children living at the Refuge this Christmas. Thank you also to Charlotte in Year 4, who kindly coloured in the label for our Pyjama Collecting Box!

School Water Bottles

We have a lot of school water bottles in classrooms with no names. Please ensure your child's water bottle is clearly named so that it is not used by another child. Many thanks.

National Online Safety ~ Social Media

You know about social media influencers, but do you know what influence intensive social media use can have on our mental health? The National Online Safety guide has tips for protecting young people from this ever-present online safety risk, which is attached to this newsletter for your information.

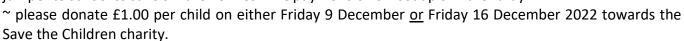
Lothersdale School Christmas Postbox

The Lothersdale School Christmas Postbox is now in the main entrance hall for children to post their Christmas cards to their friends at school. Children in Class 4 will be in charge of delivering the cards to classrooms once a day.

Save the Children ~ Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 9 December 2022 & Friday 16 December 2022

No school sweatshirts on both these Friday dates ~ wear a Christmas or woolly jumper to school to save children's lives. The payment is now set up on ParentPay



Extended Schools' Activities ~ Autumn Term

This term's extended schools' activities will finish next Friday, 9 December 202, and all children should be collected promptly from school at 3.15pm during the last week of term, unless they are booked into Lothersdale Out of School Club.

North Yorkshire Library ~ Christmas Reading Challenge

Please find attached poster regarding this year's Christmas Reading Challenge, which will run at the following North Yorkshire Libraries from Saturday 26 November 2022:

- Skipton Library
- Embsay with Eastby Community Library
- Grassington Hub & Community Library
- Gargrave & Malhamdale Community Library
- Settle Community Library
- Ingleton Community Library
- Bentham Community Library

Please check <u>www.northyorks.gov.uk/libraries</u> for up-to-date opening hours. You can also follow your local library on Facebook for regular updates.





Welcome	SCHOOL OFFICE TERM TIME HOURS			Visitor access into school is via prior appointment only, in line	
		Morning	Afternoon	with the school's Health & Safety and Child Protection Policies.	
to the	Monday	8.00 - 12.00	1.00 - 4.00		
Lothersdale	Tuesday	8.00 - 12.00	1.00 - 4.00	Please telephone the School Office during the hours listed to	
SCHOOL	Wednesday	8.00 - 12.00	1.00 - 4.00	make an appointment to speak to a member of staff.	
	Thursday	8.00 - 12.00	1.00 - 4.00	*Please note that Mrs Ellison is not	
OFFICE	Friday*	8.30 - 10.30	3.15 - 3.45	in school on Fridays and the office will be manned between the stated hours for urgent messages only	
Telephone:	REMEMBER	TO KEEP PUPIL CO	NTACT AND MEDICA	AL INFORMATION UP TO DATE!	
01535 632510 Email: lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk	C		@		

Please refer to the Friday Newsletter and the school website prior to emailing or contacting school, as most of our day-to-day information can be located within these communication portals. The school website address is https://www.lothersdaleschool.org.uk

SchoolGrid Bookings

If your child has school lunches, please remember to check your child's SchoolGrid account to ensure they are booked for school lunches every day. Please also remember to <u>cancel</u> a school lunch if your child is ill to avoid a charge. This term is an extremely busy one for the school office, and Mrs Ellison is currently spending significant time chasing parents/carers so that children receive a school meal.

Please note that we are looking at changing part of the school meal system as per our previous correspondence, but the onus will still be on parents/carers booking meals and not the school. Many thanks for your support.

SchoolGrid Payments

Please be aware that SchoolGrid will send out reminders to parents/carers whose meal accounts are in arrears and payment should be made in line with their deadlines. If payment is not made by the deadline, then the meal on the cook's list will be flagged up as unauthorised and referred back to the school. The school is then asked to authorise a payment for the school meal. If this issue arises, you will be contacted by Mrs Ellison asking you to make the payment. Unfortunately, the school has no budget for non-payment of school meals and we would therefore by grateful if you could ensure you do not exceed any payment deadlines to avoid this situation.

Primary School Admissions ~ September 2023

Online applications can now be made via the Local Authority for reception places at Lothersdale Primary School for September 2023. The application must be submitted by no later than <u>Sunday 15 January 2023</u>.



Please scan, or click, the QR code for further information.

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.

Christ Church Lothersdale ~ Christmas Events

Please find attached flyers regarding Christmas events taking place at Christ Church Lothersdale, for your information.

Falling Stars Theatre ~ Friday 16 December 2022

Please remember to book tickets for the production of '*Once Upon a Time'* taking place in Lothersdale Village Hall on Friday 16 December 2022, if you wish to attend and have not already done so.

Soccer Hub ~ Christmas Holiday Camps

Please find attached flyer from Soccer Hub with details of their holiday camps over the Christmas period, for your information.

DIARY OF EVENTS	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: Sat 3 Dec 2022 Wed 7 Dec 2022 Fri 9 Dec 2022	 LSA Christmas Fair Whole School Christmas Concert at Skipton Town Hall Extended Schools Activities finish today
Tue 13 Dec 2022 Thu 15 Dec 2022 Fri 16 Dec 2022	 Last Class 3 swimming lesson this term Christmas Lunch Christmas Party Day and Party Lunch (Non-school Uniform Day) No Class 3 swimming lesson School breaks up at 3.15pm for the Christmas holiday
Sun 15 Jan 2023	- Deadline for online submission of application for a primary school place for September 2023
Mon 27 Feb 2023 Thu 20 Apr 2023 Mon 8 May 2023 Mon 12 Jun 2023	 Parent Forum in school at 8.45am LSA Bag2School Collection Coronation Bank Holiday Parent Forum in school at 8.45am
Community Events: Sun 4 Dec 2022 Fri 16 Dec 2022 Tue 20 Dec 2022 Sat 24 Dec 2022 Sun 25 Dec 2022	 Carols with Brass Band at Lothersdale Village Hall ~ 6.30pm Falling Stars Theatre 'Once Upon a Time' production at Lothersdale Village Hall Christ Church Lothersdale ~ Free Family Crafts & Activities ~ 10am to 12pm Christ Church Lothersdale ~ Crib Service ~ 6.00pm Christ Church Lothersdale ~ All Age Christmas Day Communion ~ 9.30am

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted aduits with the information to hold an informed conversation about anline It is needed. This guide focuses on one of many issues which we believe trusted aduits should be aware of. Piease visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for

further guides, hints and tips for adults.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about SOCIAL MEDIA & MENTAL HEALTH

An estimated one-third of children have a social media account, so it's important that trusted adults know what content young people are consuming, what they're posting and the interactions they're having. On social media, it can be easy to go down 'rabbit holes' that aren't beneficial to our wellbeing. As platforms grapple with managing such 'legal but harmful' content, lives are being impacted – sometimes to tragic effect. We might be daunted by the scale of the tech giants and their content which so enthrals young people, but we can still help children to be aware of their mental wellness: recognising when something isn't OK.... and knowing what to do about content that upsets them.

UNDERSTAND THE ALGORITHM

Algorithms rank content by user interest: someone who regularity interacts with sports news, say, will see the latest results at the top of their feed. Likewise, if a user browses content that can cause harm, that's what will be recommended to them in future. Someone who's had a bad day and looks for posts which reflect their mood will find similar content being runnered to them more and power

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2. AVOID THE MAIN FEEDS

Avoiding the default feeds on social media platforms limits the amount of recommended content, that's shown. Users can opt to only scroll through the accounts they follow, use restricted modes, or highlight posts that they don't want to see more of. Explore the platform safety settings to see how you can take control of what your child's phone shows them when they open the app.

DISCUSS WHAT THEY'VE SEEN

Chatting about what your child's seen online keeps you aware of the content they re interacting with. Don't assume that platforms are screening out inappropriate material, or even that your child would recognise content as being harmful. Discuss who they follow, what pasts they like and what comes up in their feeds: If alarm bells ring, it could be time for a more

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4. LEARN HOW TO HIDE CONTENT

If your child stumbles across unsultable content on social media, there's the option to hide that post as well as indicating you' prefer any similar material not to be suggested in future. On some platforms, you might also be able to block posts that contain specific words, which is an excellent way to start taking control of what your child sees online.

5. SET DAILY LIMITS

Phones and most apps can tell you how much they're being used. Spending too long online can mean a child misses out on other activities that are important to all-round weilbeing. You could set some family rules – for everyone to follow – around device use, such as screen time limits

and tech-free spaces: involving your child in creating this agreement makes them more likely to stick to it.

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noogy-63 rede-ada 6. MONITOR THEIR ACTIVITY

Keeping a discreet eye on how your child is using social media can help ensure they're not entering potentially dangerous situations. As they grow up, of course, children need space to exercise their independence – but you can still occasionally ask to see what they're looking at. Be transparent about your own social media use and try not to sound judgemental about your child's.

TURN OFF PUSH NOTIFICATIONS

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Even for adults, it's tempting to check an email or message as soon as the alert sound pings. Push notifications encourage people to open their apps and spend time on their device, so turning them of will help your child to practise mindful use of tech. Most of us have other things that we need to focus on as a priority – and those notifications will still be there later, when we have more time.

8. USE DEVICES TOGETHER

devices and complete freedom to explore platforms on their own con result in exposure to hugely damaging content. You could consider making a particular area at home a designated space to use phones, tablets and so on - making it much easier to monitor what content your child is viewing and (if necessary) steer them away from any potentially harmful paths.

9. ENCOURAGE OTHER ACTIVITIES

Mental health professionals often highlight the importance of exercise, quality time with loved ones, a balanced diet and restful sleep for aur mental wellbeing. Spending hours on social media can cause us to sacrifice other activities that our brains need to feel well – so encouraging your child to put down their phone and enjoy something that doesn't involve a screen can be immensiv beneficial

10. TALK ABOUT PEER PRESSURE

Most platforms default children's accounts to private, so only people they ve accepted as friends can see their posts. This reduces the risk of builying ou unkind comments, but just like offline life - the digital world can still make children feel as if they need to act or look a certain way to lit in. Talk to your child about peer pressure, and listen to any concerns so you can provide the support they need.

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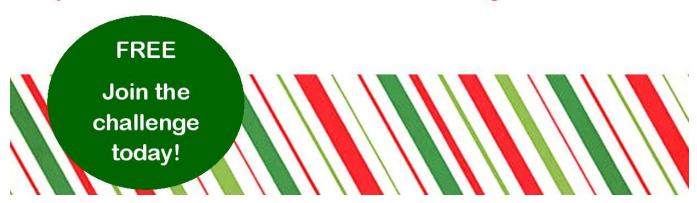


Christmas Reading Challenge





Read four library books before Christmas and earn stickers, a certificate and a personalised decoration for your tree







it's nearly Christmas

IT'S TIME TO CELEBRATE

20 DECEMBER 10-12 CHRIST CHURCH LOTHERSDALE

21 DECEMBER 10-12 HOLY TRINITY COWLING

22 DECEMBER 10-12 ST THOMAS SUTTON

FREE FAMILY CRAFTS & ACTIVITIES WARM SPACE WITH FREE REFRESHMENTS



Christ Church Lothersdale

Sunday 4th December, 6.30pm Carols with Brass Band at the Village Hall

Christmas Eve, 6.00pm Crib Service

Christmas Day, 9.30am All Age Christmas Communion

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THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND



Join Falling Stars Theatre on this immersive, interactive adventure celebrating the spirit of Christmas. This performance contains ideas of love, family, grief, joy and the spirit of Christmas.

Fri 16th Dec, 6pm - Lothersdale Village Hall

Box Office - Tel: 07816 269690 or visit www.ticketsource.co.uk/falling-stars-theatre Tickets - £10, £8 conc. or Family ticket £32.



CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY



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SANDYLANDS, SKIPTON Monday 19th - Tuesday 20th December

MARLEY, KEIGHLEY WEDNESDAY 21ST - THURSDAY 22ND DECEMBER

10AM-3PM

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OR FOR FURTHER INFO CONTACT Lynsey@soccerhub.org.uk or olivia on 07507 694983

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