

FRIDAY NEWSLETTER



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EXTENDED SCHOOL'S ACTIVITIES ~ w/c 10 December 2018				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Book Club		Drama KS1 & KS2	Art Club	Mindful Club
3.15 - 4.00pm	No clubs	3.30 - 4.30pm	3.15 - 4.15pm	12.30 - 1.00pm
Soccer Tots	today due to	Running Club	Emergency Squad	Rugby Tots
3.15 - 4.15pm	Christmas	3.15 - 4.15pm	3.15 - 4.00pm	3.15 - 4.00pm
	Concert		Supersports	Football
			3.15 - 4.15pm	3.15 - 4.15pm

Deadlines & Reminders for w/c 10 December 2018

Mon - Deadline for the return of the Class 4 Swimming Gala letter (selected pupils)

- Deadline for the return of the Y5/6 Girls' Football reply slip (selected pupils)
- Reading Plus at 8.30am

Tue - Spelling Plus at 8.30am

 Christmas Concert at South Craven School at 6.15pm ~ entry by ticket only (maximum 4 tickets per household <u>unless</u> agreed in advance with Lothersdale School) ~ please ensure you bring confirmation of your seat reservations

Wed - Reading Plus at 8.30am

- Please return Christmas costumes belonging to school (where applicable)
- Class 1 ~ School Nursing Team Handwashing Session

Thu - Numeracy Plus at 8.30am

Fri - No school sweatshirt today ~ wear a Christmas jumper to school (see below)

- Reading Plus at 8.30am
- Class 3 swimming lesson at Craven Pool ~ last session this term (see below)
- Autumn term extended school activities finish

What's Happening in the Classroom and Beyond?



Christmas Concert at SCS ~ Tuesday 11 December 2018

Our Christmas Concert will take place next Tuesday, 11 December 2018 at 6.15pm. The children have worked hard this week practising it and are really looking forward to performing all their songs for you. A map of the South Craven site, indicating the location of the Fells Hall Theatre, is attached to this newsletter for your information. Parking is available in

both P1 and P2 areas on the map.

<u>Important Notice</u>: Please note that perimeter security fencing has now been erected around the South Craven School site and special arrangements have been made to allow us access to the Fells Hall Theatre. Parents/carers must not access the school site until 6.00pm nor should you enter the auditorium any earlier than this for health & safety reasons ~ space is limited in the entrance hall to the theatre and the children are still being chaperoned between the school buildings.

Please remember to bring your seat reservation(s) with you as this is a ticket only event.

<u>Wheelchair access</u>: please note that wheelchair places in the auditorium have been allocated to those parents/carers who have sent in a request and due to space constraints, we may not be able to accommodate wheelchairs on the night without prior notification. Please contact Mrs Ellison via school email (<u>lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk</u>) as soon as possible if you or your relative will require this facility.

<u>Concert costumes</u>: please note that children will go home after the concert in their costumes. We would be grateful if you could ensure that all school costumes are returned to school on Wednesday 12 December 2018.

Photography/Video Recording ~ Internet and Social Media

Whilst we want to allow you to record special moments in your children's lives e.g. participating in the Christmas concert, please remember that we have a number of children in school, who for security reasons, cannot appear on social media. We must therefore insist that any photos or videos that are posted on social media should not include pictures of any children other than your own, unless you have asked permission from the parents/carers of the children involved.

Childhood Immunisations ~ Flu Vaccination Programme

Please note that the Immunisation Team returned to school yesterday to carry out vaccinations on pupils whose parents/carers had provided consent since the last visit and after care letters were sent out accordingly.

Class 1 visit to Christ Church, Lothersdale ~ Thursday 6 December 2018

On Thursday 6 December 2018, children in Class 1 walked up to Christ Church for their Christmas visit. They were met at the church by the Reverend Helen Collings who told the children the story of the first Christmas and then the children helped set out the nativity scene under the altar. There were lots of ladies decorating the church ready for Christmas and the children were able to perform their nativity for them and put the star on the church Christmas tree.

Thank you to Charlotte's mum and Ella H's grandma for giving up their time to come along and support Mrs Bateman, Miss Laycock and Mrs Binns on this visit.

Class 1 ~ Bird Seed Feeders

Class 1 have been busy making bird seed feeders today with Miss Thompson to help keep the birds well-fed and healthy over the winter. Next week they will be going across to Lothersdale Park and woods to place their bird feeders near the bird hide so they can enjoy watching the birds eat the seeds.

Class 1 ~ School Nursing Team Handwashing Session ~ Wednesday 12 December 2018

Jane from the school nursing team will be in school on Wednesday 12

December 2018 to talk to Class 1 about the importance of handwashing and why we need to wash our hands properly.

Class 3 Swimming Lessons & Swimming Gala Practice 14 December 2018 & 11 January 2019 ~ Later Return

Please note that children in Class 3 and selected children from Class 4 will not arrive back in school until approximately 3.45pm at the earliest on Friday 14 December and Friday 11 January. The coach company will be using a larger coach to accommodate those children from Class 4, who will be practicing for the swimming gala, and will therefore have to come through Cross Hills instead of the normal shorter route they usually take to avoid that area. If children have siblings in other classes, we will look after them in school until the coach returns so that parents/carers do not have to wait in cars or on the playground with them from 3.15pm.

Class 3 Swimming Lessons ~ Spring Term

Please note that the deadline for the return of the reply slip was today, Friday 7 December 2018, and we still have a number of replies outstanding. We would be grateful if you could ensure outstanding reply slips are sent into school on <u>Monday 10 December 2018</u>. Please note that the deadline for payment of voluntary contributions towards your child's swimming lessons for the spring term first half is <u>Monday 7 January 2019</u>.

Class 4 Girls' Football North Yorkshire Round ~ Thursday 24 January 2019

Following our team's success in the South Craven Cluster Y5/6 Girls' Football Festival on 25 October 2018, we have been informed that the North Yorkshire round will be held at York College on Thursday 24 January 2019. A letter was sent out on Wednesday to parents/carers of children involved in this event and we would be grateful if reply slips could be returned to school by the deadline stated.

Year 5 ~ Church Visit







Further to the entry in the previous edition of our Friday News, last Wednesday our Year 5 children walked up to Christ Church to view the displays created by members of the village and Gill Hall talked to the children about

the villagers from Lothersdale, who gave their lives during the WW1 conflict. The photographs show the wonderful WW1 displays, which were available for everyone to view during the month of November in recognition of the WW1 Centenary. The children were also able to write comments in the visitor's book. We would like to express our thanks to Gill for giving up her time to meet the children and provide them with excellent information about the displays.

Year 6 ~ Healthy Child Team Parent Questionnaires

Letters were sent out to parents/carers on Wednesday on behalf of the North Yorkshire Healthy Child Team and they would be grateful if completed questionnaires could be returned to school by <u>Monday 17 December 2018</u>.

Year 6 Numeracy Plus, Year 6 Spelling Group and Class 4 Reading Plus Sessions
Please note that if your children currently attend any of the above sessions they will take
place as normal week commencing 17 December 2018 and children should continue to arrive
at school ready to start their session at 8.30am.

Extended Schools' Activities ~ Autumn Term

This term's extended schools' activities will finish next Friday, 14 December 2018, 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.

Extended Schools' Activities ~ Spring Term

Please note that, apart from Mr Craven's club on Tuesdays, the school does not run staff led extended schools' activities during the first half of the spring term. Clubs run by external providers will start on Tuesday 8 January 2019 and finish on Friday 22 February 2019 and the extended schools activities form for the first half of the spring term has been issued via bookbags today. The form is also available to access on the school website.

Please return completed forms to school on <u>Monday 17 December 2018</u> if your child wishes to take part in Soccer Tots or Dodgeball.

<u>Please do not return the form if your child is taking part in paid clubs as activity lists will be generated following the receipt of payment</u>. Please ensure payments are made via ParentPay by Friday 4 January 2019 to secure your child's place on his/her chosen activity.

Please note that the activities will be removed from ParentPay once the deadline has passed and, unfortunately, we will be unable to add your child to an activity list after this date. Activity lists will be available for you to view in the main reception area from Tuesday 8 January 2019.

Save the Children ~ Christmas Jumper Day Friday 14 December 2018 & Friday 21 December 2018

No school sweatshirts on both these Friday dates ~ wear a Christmas or woolly jumper to school to save children's lives and donate £1.00 on either Friday 14 or Friday 21 December 2018 towards Save the Children.



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 Presents for Keighley Women's Refuge

Once again we will be supporting Christ Church, Lothersdale by donating Christmas presents for Keighley Women's Refuge. Please find attached information regarding Christmas presents for the women and children who will be spending Christmas in the Refuge. Please bring gifts into school by Monday 18 December 2018 to enable us to pass them on to Mrs Bower.

School Office and Updates

Dick Whittington Pantomime ~ Tuesday 8 January 2019

Thank you to all those parents/carers who have contributed towards our annual pantomime, taking place in school on Tuesday 8 January 2019. The children always love the pantomime and it's a lovely activity for them to return to after Christmas. The school has now received 66% of contributions to date but still needs at least 85% to make it financially viable.



If you have not yet made a contribution and still wish to do so, please ensure payment is made as soon as possible to enable us to administer the costs effectively. No child will be excluded if his or her parents/carers do not contribute, but if insufficient voluntary contributions are received then regrettably, this event will not go ahead.

Primary School Admissions ~ September 2019

Online applications are currently being made via the Local Authority for reception places at Lothersdale Primary School for September 2019. The online common application form must be submitted by no later than <u>15 January 2019</u>. If you are the parent/carer of a child, or know of a child, who is eligible to start primary school next September and whose name is not on the school's register of interest, please contact the school as soon as possible.

School Website

Remember to look on our School Website for further information on what is happening around school!

New Postings on our Website this week:

Friday News

Extended Schools' Activities Form ~ Spring Term 2019 & Notes to Parents

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

Sports Cool ~ Festive Fun Holiday Clubs

A flyer has been sent out via bookbags today regarding sports and dance clubs taking place over the Christmas holiday period, for your information.

Christ Church Lothersdale Café Church - Sunday 16 December 2018
Christ Church Lothersdale welcomes you to their Café Church Service on Sunday
16 December 2018 at Christ Church, Lothersdale. Breakfast (croissants, cereal, juice, tea, coffee) is served at 9.00am followed by church worship at 9.30am. Everyone is very welcome to come along and take part in this relaxed atmosphere.

Events at Christ Church Lothersdale over the Christmas period:

Saturday 8 December 2018 ~ Lothersdale's Swing Band

'Swing into Christmas' at 6.30pm ~ an evening of Christmas music, seasonal stories, poems and songs, with Lothersdale's amazing Swing Band playing their own style of Christmas music. Seasonal refreshments will be served afterwards.



Sunday 9 December 2018 ~ Carol Service in Church at 10.45am

<u>Sunday 9 December 2018 ~ Wreath Making Workshop (in the Village Hall)</u>, Call Sophie on 01535 632790 to book a place.

Monday 24 December 2018

Join us for a Christmas Eve Parade \sim bring torches or lanterns, dress up if you like and sing all the way \sim from the Hare & Hounds to Christ Church for the Crib Service at 6.00pm. Meet at the Hare & Hounds at 5.15pm.

Tuesday 25 December 2018

Christmas Day Family service in church at 9.00am.

Lothersdale Boxing Day Walk

The annual Boxing Day Walk will take approximately one and a half to two hours and there will be snack stops en route. Finish back at the village for mulled wine and mince pies. Please meet at The Fold at 1.30pm. This walk is enjoyed by children and adults alike and everyone is welcome to come along!

Keighley Women's Refuge (Bradford Women's Aid)

Please remember we are linked up with Christchurch Lothersdale to support Keighley Women's Refuge and a box is available in the main reception area for any donations you may wish to bring in towards this charity ~ this collection will be ongoing until further notice. Please feel free to place items in the box in the main reception area when you can.

The Women's Refuge provide home starter packs when the families are rehoused, which comprise the following (new) items: Toiletries, cleaning products, cleaning equipment, kitchen equipment (eg pans, plates, mugs), food items (long life food items are ideal, eg tins and packets of food). If you are able to donate any of the above, they will be gratefully received. Many thanks.

Diary of Events

Please note there may be circumstances in which these dates are subject to change:

School Events:

Tue 18 Dec 2018 - Christmas Lunch

Thu 20 Dec 2018 - Christmas Party Day ~ non-school uniform day

Fri 21 Dec 2018 - Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day (see the Christmas

Newsletter for more details)

- Schools breaks up at 3.15pm

Mon 7 Jan 2019 - School closed for Staff Training

Tue 8 Jan 2019 - School reopens

- Pantomime performance in school by West End in Schools

Thu 24 Jan 2019 - Y5/6 Girls' Football ~ North Yorkshire Round

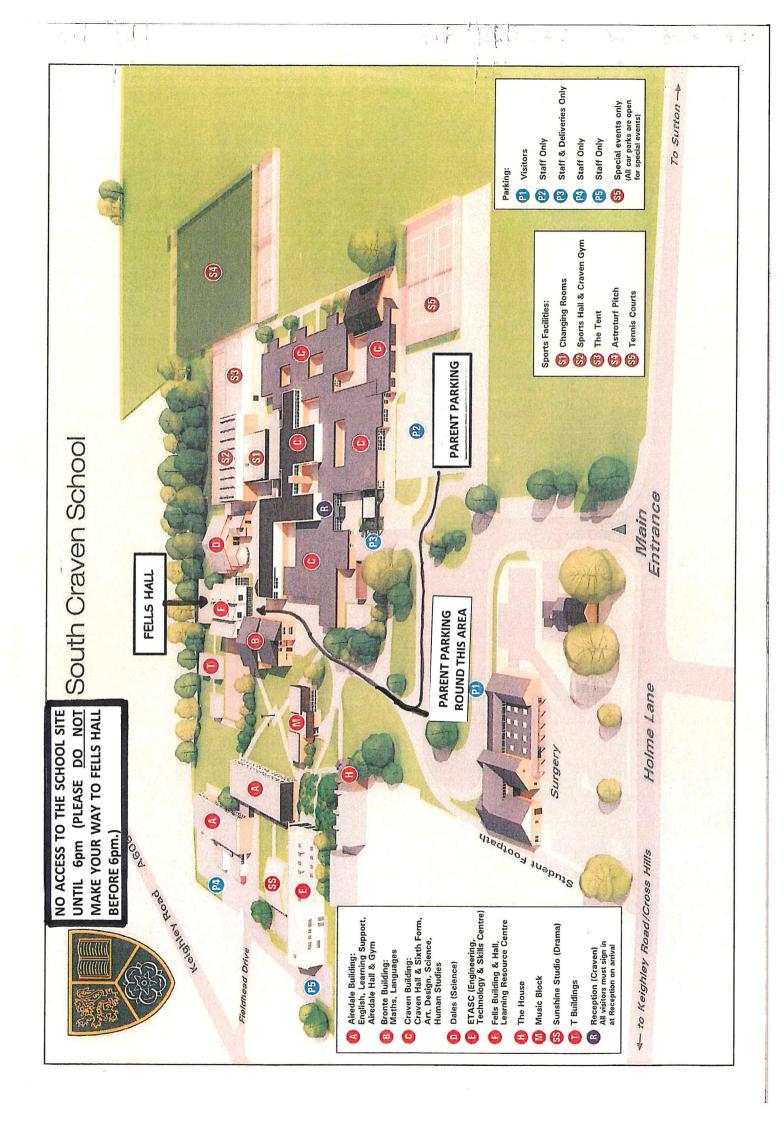
Thu 24 Jan 2019 - LSA Cinema Night in school from 3.15pm

5-7 Jun 2019 - Year 4 visit to Eshton Grange

Community Events:

Fri 28 Dec 2018 - Pantomime (Dick Whittington) in Lothersdale Village Hall from

7.30pm. £9 adults & £7 under 12. Tel 01535 632790 for tickets.



Christmas at Keighley Refuge

Dear everyone at Lothersdale Primary School

Here is the list of the women and children who will be living in Keighley Refuge this Christmas. Do please give as generously as ever this year. If the presents could please be wrapped with a tag on eg. Happy Christmas to a 3 year old boy, that would be really helpful.

- 1 3mth girl
- 1 8mth boy
- 1 1yr girl
- 1 2yr boy
- 1 2yr girl
- 3 4yr boys
- 2 4yr girls
- 1 -6yr boy
- 1 6yr girl
- 1 8yr girl
- 1 9yr boy
- 1 11yr boy
- 1 14yr boy
- 1 14yr girl
- 1 15yr girl



There are also 11 women.

The Christmas Tree is already set up in the school entrance for the children to leave their gifts under.

I plan to deliver the parcels before school breaks up for Christmas, so do please drop off all gifts by Monday 18th December

Many thanks as ever; you will be making Christmas more joyful for those having a difficult time

Janet Bower 07875202578





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