



Best wishes from the staff and governors ~
we wish you all a very

MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR!

School reopens
on
Tuesday 8 January 2019

~ Thank You ~

Staff and Governors would like to thank
parents/carers for the tremendous support they
have given school throughout the year.

Thank you also to parents/carers and children
for the kind gifts staff have received at the end
of term ~ they are greatly appreciated.

Save the date!

*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:*

- Wed 30 Jan 2019 - Come Dine With Me ~ Class 1
- Wed 30 Jan 2019 - KS2 Performing Arts at SCS (selected pupils)
- Fri 21 Jun 2019 - Class 4 visit to Murton Park near York (see below)

Deadlines & Reminders for w/c 7 January 2019

- Mon** - School closed for staff training
- Last day for contributions towards Class 3 swimming lessons Spring Term 1st Half
- Tue** - School re-opens
- Spelling Plus at 8.30am
- Deadline for the return of the KS2 Performing Arts reply slip (selected pupils)
- Dick Whittington Pantomime in school
- Extended Schools' activities restart
- Wed** - Reading Plus at 8.30am
- Thu** - Numeracy Plus at 8.30am
- Fri** - Reading Plus at 8.30am
- Deadline for the return of the Class 1 Come Dine With Me reply slip & payment via ParentPay (see below)
- Class 3 Swimming Lesson
- Swimming Gala practice for Y5/6 (selected pupils)

EXTENDED SCHOOL'S ACTIVITIES ~ w/c 7 January 2019				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
School closed for	Dodgeball 3.15 - 4.00pm	Drama KS1 & KS2 3.30 - 4.30pm	Art Club 3.15 - 4.15pm	Football 3.15 - 4.15pm
Staff Training			Supersports 3.15 - 4.15pm	

What's Happening in the Classroom and Beyond?

Christmas Party Day ~ Thursday 20 December 2018

Our children had a wonderful Christmas Party day yesterday. They spent the morning being creative and putting the finishing touches to their Christmas party hats.



On Wednesday children in Class 4 decorated the Christmas biscuits made by Mrs Varley. We were all very grateful to Mrs Varley and Mrs Pickard for working so hard to make the amazing party lunch, which we all really enjoyed and thought was delicious. After the fabulous party lunch all the children gathered in the hall to show off their party hat creations.

The party hat winners were:

Reception ~ Ella H
Year 1 ~ Sam H
Year 2 ~ Niamh C
Year 3 ~ James Mc
Year 4 ~ Margot C
Year 5 ~ Millie S
Year 6 ~ Joe M



Party games then followed to round off a very exciting day! Classes 1 and 2 joined together in Class 2 and Classes 3 and 4 had fun playing their games in the hall.

Class 1 Come Dine With Me ~ Wednesday 30 January 2019

Our next 'Come Dine With Me' event will take place on Wednesday 30 January 2019 for parents/carers of children in Class 1 and we are really looking forward to seeing you! Invitations and accompanying reply slips have been sent out via bookbags today. Please ensure the appropriate contribution is paid via ParentPay and reply slips returned by Friday 11 January 2019 as places are limited. To help us with administration, please ensure the reply slip is returned to school only when payment has been made.

Class 3 Swimming Lessons and Swimming Gala Practice (Year 5/6 selected pupils)

Please note that Class 3 swimming lessons will resume on Friday 11 January 2019 and a letter has been sent out via bookbags today for parents/carers of children in Class 3 and Class 4 who have been selected to swim in the Swimming Gala on Friday 18 January. Please ensure those children selected from Class 4 have their swimming kit in school for the practice session on Friday 11 January 2019.

Please note that children in Class 3 and selected children from Class 4 may not arrive back in school until approximately 3.45pm on Friday 11 January 2019. 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 & Class 4 Performing Arts at SCS ~ Wednesday 30 January 2019

Letters have been sent out today to children who have expressed an interest in taking part in the Dance, Drama and Music Workshop taking place at South Craven School on Wednesday 30 January 2019. Please ensure the reply slip is returned to school on Tuesday 8 January 2019 to enable us to confirm numbers with South Craven.

Class 3 & Class 4 House Tournaments ~ Tuesday 18 December 2018



A very exciting morning was had by Class 3 and Class 4 on Tuesday when they played basketball in our latest house tournament.

The tournament was a superb event and showcased all of the skills we have been working on this term. Breath taking performances were demonstrated, super slam dunks and fabulous dribbling by the lions saw them take a huge lead and win the house cup. Well done to all who competed.

Class 4 Reading Plus, Year 6 Numeracy Plus, and Year 6 Spelling Group

Please note that if your child(ren) take part in any of the above sessions, they will start again from Tuesday 8 January 2019.

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

A letter has been sent out today to parents/carers of children involved in this event, which confirms the arrangements for the next round in York on Thursday 24 January 2019.

Class 4 DT Project

This week children in Class 4 have been busy making a motorised Christmas Carousel as part of their DT project. They have worked extremely hard and really loved the project. Please see the attached photographs showing some of their amazing designs and finished carousels.

Class 4 Visit to Murton Park near York ~ Friday 21 June 2019

Children in Class 4 will be visiting Murton Park near York next June to take part in a Roman Day to enhance their class history topic. Letters will be sent out nearer the time but the school is requesting a parental contribution of £16 per child and this is now on ParentPay to help you budget for this trip.

Extended Schools' Activities ~ Autumn Term Second Half ~ Art Club

The members of art club have produced some super pieces of artwork this term and are very pleased with them. Please see some photographs of their artwork at the end of the newsletter - the children have loved their sessions with Denisa this term!

Extended Schools' Activities ~ Spring Term First Half

Extended Schools Activities will start on Tuesday 8 January 2019. All activity lists will be available to view in the main reception area. For safeguarding purposes please ensure that you check the lists in advance to confirm your child is booked onto a club.

Soccer Tots, Dodgeball & Art Club

Please note that the above clubs are now **FULLY BOOKED** for spring term first half.

If your child wishes to take part in Drama, Supersports or Football, 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.

Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day ~ 21 December 2018

Once again everyone looked fantastic today in their Christmas jumpers and the total amount raised for Save the Children from the last two Friday collections is **£109.36**, which could stock a school library in Rwanda with 75 brilliant books! Thank you to all our parents/carers who supported this worthwhile cause.



Keighley Women's Refuge ~ Christmas Campaign

A massive thank you to those parents/carers who have kindly donated Christmas gifts for families, who are spending their Christmas in the Refuge.

Your gifts will make a huge difference to these families over the Christmas period and your generosity is amazing at this busy and expensive time of year.

Once again, many thanks for your support.

School Meal Menu ~ Spring Term 2019

Next term's school meal menu is attached to this newsletter for your information. Please note that Mrs Varley has made some amendments to this menu and it can also be viewed on the school website.

Pupils on Pack Ups ~ Friday Lunch

If your child is currently on pack-ups and is registered to have a Friday lunch next term, the cost will be £31.72 for the spring term (up to and including 12 April 2019), payable via the normal pupil meal account on ParentPay, or £2.44 per week, payable in advance. Please ensure you inform the school office at least 2 weeks in advance if your child would like to have Friday lunches.

Pupils on Packed Lunches

May we remind parents to ensure their child's pack up is clearly named to help us distribute at lunchtime. Many thanks.

School Meals ~ Class 3 and Class 4

The cost of school meals for children in Class 3 and Class 4 from 8 January 2019 will continue to be £2.44 per meal (£12.20 per week) for all children.

For parents/carers who wish to pay up to the end of term (Friday 12 April 2019), the cost will be £156.16 per child payable via ParentPay.

For parents/carers who wish to pay up to the end of half-term (Friday 22 February 2019), the cost will be £82.96 per child payable via ParentPay.

Alternatively, parents/carers can pay weekly (£12.20) via ParentPay.

Please note that school meals must be paid for in advance and we would also ask parents/carers to refer to the school's School Meals' Arrears Procedure (available to view on the school website) to ensure that you are familiar with the school's course of action should you find yourselves falling behind with payments.

Please check your ParentPay accounts for credits/outstanding payments (eg illness, educational visits etc) and adjust your child's account accordingly when paying the above.

Eligibility for Free School Meals

May we remind parents that free school meals are available for children whose parents/carers meet the relevant criteria. If you are in receipt of one or more of the following benefits and think you may qualify, please either ask Mrs Ellison for an application form or use the application form available via www.northyorks.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals.

The relevant criteria is based on receipt of:

- income support
- income-based job seeker's allowance
- income-related employment and support allowance
- child tax credit with an income of less than £16,190 and **not** in receipt of working tax credit
- support under part VI of the immigration and asylum act 1999
- guarantee element of state pension credit.

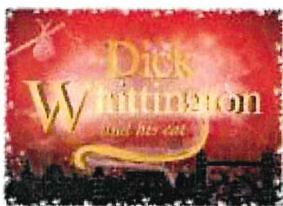
Where parents are entitled to working tax credit during a four week "run on" period immediately after their employment has ceased, or after they have started to work less than 16 hours per week, their children are entitled to free school meals.

Children who receive income support or income based jobseeker's allowance in their own right are also entitled to free school meals.

Applications are usually processed the same day. If your child is entitled to free school meals you will receive a letter confirming the date when the meals will start. The school is also notified that your child is entitled to free school meals.

In the meantime, you should continue to pay for school meals until confirmation comes through. Schools may be able to arrange a reimbursement of any monies paid whilst your entitlement is being confirmed. If you are not entitled to free school meals you will be notified in writing.

Dick Whittington Pantomime ~ Tuesday 8 January 2019



May we remind parents that the deadline for payment of contributions towards the pantomime performance was Friday 7 December 2018. If you have not already made a contribution and would still like to do so, please make your payment via ParentPay. The school has now received 81% of contributions to date but still needs at least 85% to make it financially viable. No child will be excluded if his or her parents/carers do not contribute, but if insufficient voluntary contributions are received then regrettably we will have to cancel this performance.

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 15 January 2019. 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

Spring Term Menu

Class 4 ~ DT project photos (Christmas carousels)

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



Events at Christ Church Lothersdale over the Christmas period:

Monday 24 December 2018

Join us for a Christmas Eve Parade ~ *bring torches or lanterns, dress up if you like and sing all the way* ~ 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!

Lothersdale Woodland Group ~ Tree Planting on 2 January 2019

Please find attached flyer regarding the next tree planting meet up on Wednesday 2 January 2019 ~ an opportunity to have some family fun!



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:

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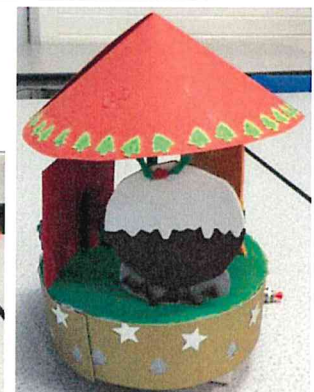
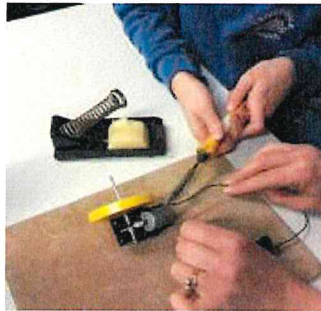
- Mon 7 Jan 2019 - School closed for Staff Training
- Tue 8 Jan 2019 - School reopens
- Pantomime performance in school by West End in Schools
- Thu 24 Jan 2019 - Y5/6 Girls' Football ~ North Yorkshire Round
- Thu 24 Jan 2019 - LSA Cinema Night in school from 3.15pm - NO EXTENDED SCHOOLS' ACTIVITIES
- 5-7 Jun 2019 - Year 4 visit to Eshton Grange
- Fri 21 Jun 2019 - Class 4 visit to Murton Park near York ~ Roman Day

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.
- Wed 2 Jan 2018 - Tree planting with Lothersdale Woodland Group. Meet up any time from 10am at Woodhead off Side Gate Lane. For more info contact Jon Grey on 07969 337808.

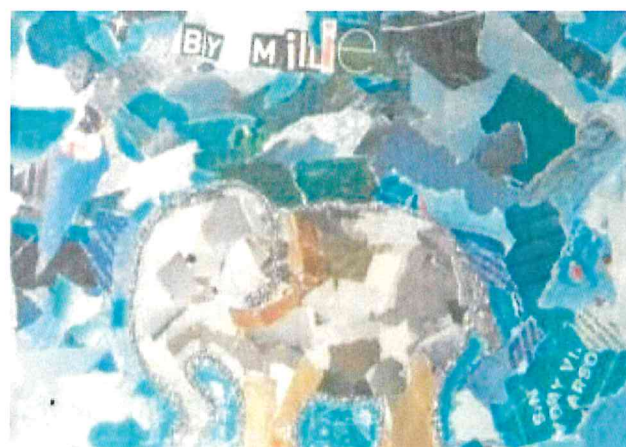
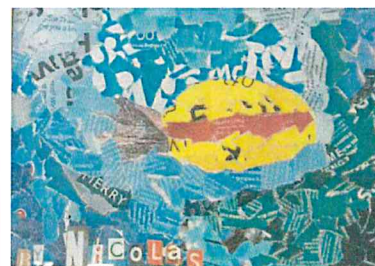
CLASS 4 DT PROJECT

Look at some of the fantastic motorised carousels our children in Class 4 have been busy making this week ~ all the children have made amazing carousels and we are very proud of them all for their enthusiasm and creative ideas!



ART CLUB

Look at the amazing art work our pupils have produced during this half-term's Thursday Art Club. Thank you to Denisa for giving them all the opportunity and ideas to make their very own masterpiece! They are all fantastic ~ well done!



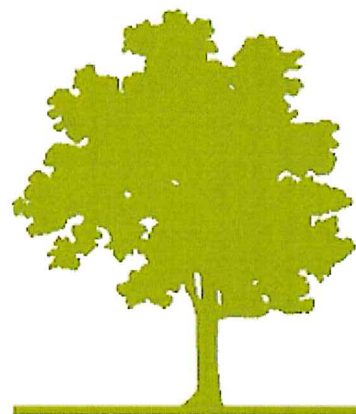
NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY CATERERS ~ MENU ~ SPRING TERM 2019

	<u>WEEK ONE</u> w/c 7 January 2019 w/c 28 January 2019 w/c 18 February 2019 w/c 18 March 2019 w/c 8 April 2019	<u>WEEK TWO</u> w/c 14 January 2019 w/c 4 February 2019 w/c 4 March 2019 w/c 25 March 2019	<u>WEEK THREE</u> w/c 21 January 2019 w/c 11 February 2019 w/c 11 March 2019 w/c 1 April 2019
M O N D A Y	Young's Fish Fingers Carrot Sticks and Apple Salad Chipped Potatoes Cheese & Onion Flat Bread ***** Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt	Pasta Bolognaise Peas and Carrots Tomato Bread ***** Orange Brownie & Custard Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt	Yorkshire Ham & Tomato Pasta Broccoli & Sweetcorn Wholemeal Bread ***** Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt
T U E S D A Y	Cottage Pie Carrots and Savoy Cabbage Crusty Wholemeal Baguette ***** Roly Poly & Custard Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt	Crispy Chicken Bites with Tomato Salsa & Chipped Potatoes Green Beans & Cauliflower Garlic Bread ***** Lemon and Poppy Seed Cake & Custard Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt	Chicken Korma & Rice Broccoli & Cauliflower Naan Bread ***** Apple Tart & Custard Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt
W E D N E S D A Y	Roast Chicken with Sage & Onion Stuffing and Gravy Medley of Vegetables Roast Potatoes Sliced Wholemeal Bread ***** Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt	Toad in the Hole & Gravy Creamed Potatoes Savoy Cabbage and Swede, Carrot & Parsnip Herbie Bread ***** Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt	Minced Beef Pie Medley of Vegetables Sweet Potato Mash Poppy Seed Bread ***** Fresh Fruit or Fruit Yoghurt
T H U R S D A Y	Mexican Beef Tortilla Boat & Rice Mixed Salad with Grated Carrot ***** Apricot Bar Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt	Quorn Keema & Rice Broccoli & Carrots Crusty Wholemeal Baguette ***** Peach Crisp & Custard Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt	Crispy Battered Fish Mushy Peas & Beetroot Salad Chipped Potatoes Apricot & Seed Bread ***** Chocolate Banana Sponge & Chocolate Sauce Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt
F R I D A Y	Organic Pork Meatballs in Rich Tomato Sauce & Pasta Peas and Sweetcorn Sunflower Seed Bread ***** Banana Muffin Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt	Tempura Battered Fishcake in a Homemade Bread Bun Tomato Sauce Peas & Coleslaw Potato Wedges ***** Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt	Margherita Pizza Veg Sticks & Fruity Pasta Salad Diced Potatoes ***** Arctic Roll & Fruit Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt

■Due to circumstances beyond our control, it may be necessary to change from the printed menu■

Looking After.....

LOTHERSDALE



LOTHERSDALE WOODLAND GROUP

**Next tree planting meet up Wednesday
2nd January 2019!**

A great opportunity to get the Kids out of the house and have a bit of fun and dig in!



Meet up any time from 10am at Woodhead off Side Gate Lane. Contact Jon Grey if you require any further details- 07969 337808

Bring work gloves and warm clothes.
Refreshments will be supplied



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