

Well done to this week's

Lothersdale LEGENDS

Reception ~ **Lottie**

Year 1 ~ **Max**

Year 2 ~ **Oscar**

Year 3 ~ **Sean**

Year 4 ~ **Annabelle J**

Year 5 ~ **Jack W**

Year 6 ~ **William**



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.



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.

Mrs Turvey

On Tuesday, 23 January 2024, Mrs Turvey's final weekly assembly was 'hijacked' by Mrs Tyson and the staff team, to wish her good luck over the next few months during her road to recovery. The children presented her with cards they had made in class, along with gifts from staff, governors and pupils.

Mrs Turvey is an amazing teacher and we will all miss her weekly visits, but hope she will be able to pop in and see us all if health permits. Get well soon, Mrs Turvey and keep in touch!



French Day ~ Monday 22 January 2024

Vive la France! On Monday, Lothersdale Primary School celebrated French Day as part of our programme to promote a love of learning languages, and oh la la! what a fantastic day it was!



Our pupils were all decked out in shades of red, white, and blue, embracing the tricolour spirit with style, creating a vibrant atmosphere of unity and celebration.

Throughout the day, all our pupils embraced the French language, exploring its beauty, nuances, and cultural richness. Madame Gander treated us to some incredible French interventions, bringing the charm of the French language right to our doorstep.

Merci beaucoup, Madame Gander, for enchanting us with your linguistic expertise and leaving everyone with a deeper appreciation for the French language and culture.

The highlight of the day was a lively French dance workshop provided by Yannick and Paul, that had everyone tapping their toes and moving to the

rhythm of French beats. Their energy and enthusiasm was contagious, and our pupils had a fantastic time.

A huge shoutout to everyone who made French Day at Lothersdale Primary School a resounding success! A special mention goes to Mrs Knight for planning, arranging and decorating school for the French day. Thank you so much! Let's continue embracing the spirit of multiculturalism and fostering a love for languages and diverse cultures. Please check out our photo gallery at the end of this newsletter!

Next half-term, Madame Gander will be coming into school to do a weekly French Club over lunchtime and we hope that our pupils will be keen to continue learning the language.

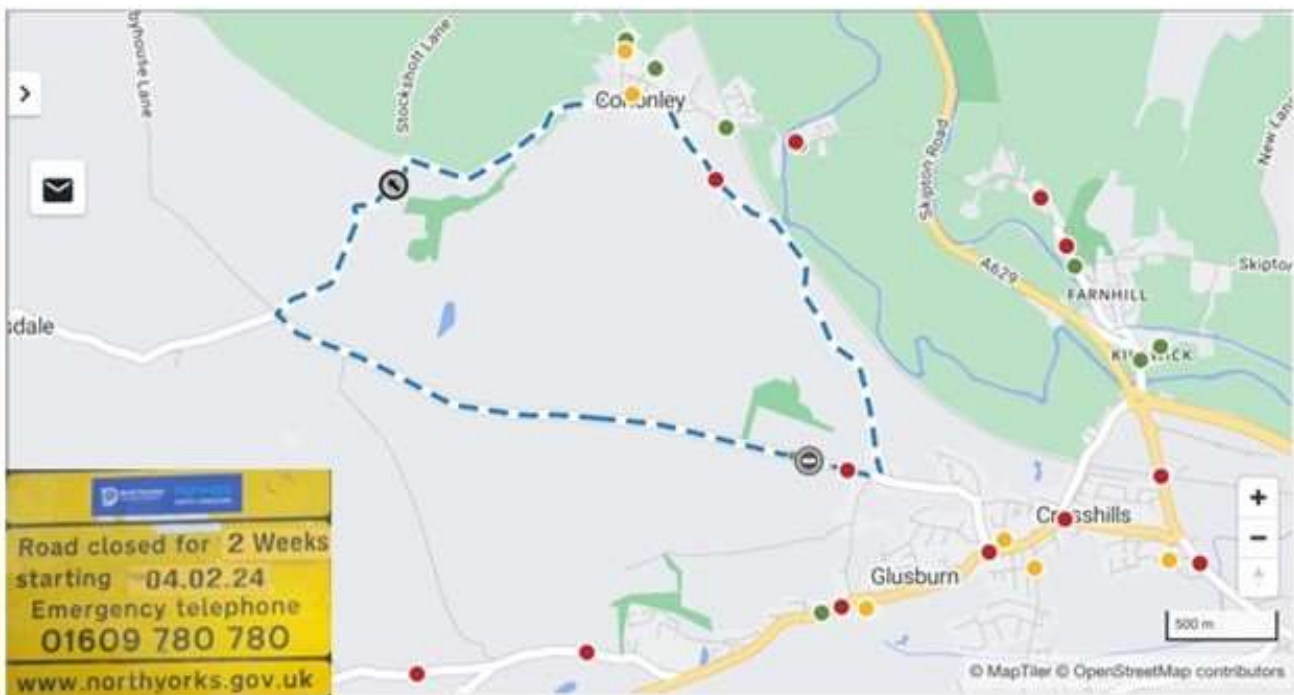
NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL ROAD CLOSURE Monday 5 February to Friday 16 February 2024

You will have seen from the signage displayed at the bottom of Lothersdale Road coming into Cross Hills, that the road is due to be closed from Sunday 4 February to Friday 16 February 2024 and diversions will be in place.

As this is one of the main routes into the village, and the closure will impact both villagers and school traffic, we have contacted North Yorkshire County Council to confirm if the road will be permanently closed during this period, or open between certain hours. They have confirmed the route will be blocked off and only emergency vehicles will be allowed through.

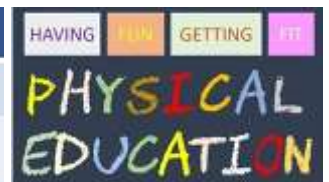
The works being carried out are repairs to the drainage systems. These systems are critical in draining rainfall from the road surface for the safety of road users and longevity of the road surface. The drainage works will consist of new drainage pipe / new drainage system installation or the repair of existing drainage systems.

The road closure will have an impact on school traffic from 5 February to 9 February prior to half-term. Please therefore allow more time during this period whilst following an alternative route to school.



EXTENDED SCHOOLS ACTIVITIES ~ SPRING TERM 2024 ~ FIRST HALF				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Gymnastics 3.15 to 4.15pm	Dance Club 3.15 to 4.15pm	Art Club 3.15 to 4.15pm	Supersports 3.15 to 4.15pm	Football 3.15 to 4.15pm
-	Young Voices Choir 3.15 to 4.15pm	-	-	-

The member of staff/activity provider will bring the children out to the playground at the end of each session to ensure a safe handover to parents/carers



WEEKLY TIMETABLE

- Class 1 – Monday & Friday
- Class 2 – Monday & Thursday
- Class 3 – Tuesday & Friday
- Class 4 – Tuesday & Friday

Lothersdale

REC	LEXI and PETRA
Y1	VESPER and GEORGE
Y2	FRANKIE H and ELLIOTT L
Y3	LUCY K and ADAM
Y4	BOHDAN and PHOEBE
Y5	JUDE and CHARLOTTE
Y6	HENRY and NATTY

SCHOOL COUNCIL

ADDITIONAL LEARNING SESSIONS				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Class 4 READING PLUS 8.20 to 8.45am	Year 3 & Year 4 READING PLUS 8.20 to 8.45am	Class 4 READING PLUS 8.20 to 8.45am	Year 3 & Year 4 READING PLUS 8.20 to 8.45am	Class 4 READING PLUS 8.20 to 8.45am
-	-	Year 4 TIMES TABLES 8.20 to 8.45am	-	-

These clubs are for selected groups or pupils.
All pupils attending these clubs must be registered for safeguarding and health & safety reasons.
Please note: the sessions start promptly at 8:20am so that children can complete the relevant tasks without disruption from any late arrivals. Late arrivals beyond 8:25am will not be able to attend the session. In this instance, please ensure that your child is supervised until the start of the school day.
Many thanks for your support.

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:

22 to 24 May 2024 - Year 4 Residential visit to Eshton Grange

DEADLINES & REMINDERS

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. Thank you.

W/c 29 JANUARY 2024

- Wed - Young Voices Choir Event ~ deadline for completion & submission of online lunch pre-order
- Dogs Trust Class Workshops
- Thu - Class 3 Stone Age Workshop in school (see below)
- Fri - Deadline for the payment of contributions towards Class 3 swimming lessons
Class 3 swimming lesson

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.



KS2 Performing Arts Festival ~ Thursday 25 January 2024

Ten of our pupils took part in the Performing Arts Festival at South Craven School on Thursday ~ Felicity, Natty, Millie, William, Sophie W, Jude H-K, Phoebe, Edward, Laila, Maisie ~ joining up with children from other local primary schools. Everyone participated well and thoroughly enjoyed the dance, music and drama workshops. Mr Craven was very impressed by all the children's enthusiasm and the high standard of their behaviour.

Big Garden Birdwatch

All our children had the opportunity to bird watch in the playground today at morning and lunchtime breaks. Using the school binoculars they could spot our local bird population, hopefully getting in some practice for the Big Garden Birdwatch over the weekend.



We look forward to hearing from our children on Monday to find out how many species of birds they have spotted at home, if you have signed up to take part this weekend.



Class 3 Stone Age Day Workshop ~ Thursday 1 February 2024

Children in Class 3 will be taking part in a Stone Age Day Workshop next Thursday, 1 February. The children will step into the shoes of a Stone Age boy or girl, using Stone Age 'artefacts' to learn what life was like during the Stone Age and understand how people lived during this time period. Please remember to encourage children in Class 3 to come to school dressed as a Stone Age boy or girl. Simple costumes, such as tattered clothing and primitive accessories, can add an extra layer of excitement to the day.

Young Voices Concert ~ Monday 5 February 2024



A letter will be sent out on Monday to parents/carers of children attending the forthcoming Young Voices Concert at Manchester AO arena.

The letter details the final arrangements for the day and we would be grateful if you could complete and submit the online lunch pre-order form by Wednesday 31 January 2024.

School Council Valentine's Day Bake Sale ~ Friday 9 February 2024

Please find attached flyer regarding the School Council's Valentine's Day Bake Sale on Friday 9 February 2024, to raise money for ShelterBox.

A flyer for a Valentine's Day Bake Sale. At the top left, it says 'Lothersdale Primary School' and 'SCHOOL COUNCIL' in a green box. To the right, 'Valentine's Day' is written in pink cursive, and 'BAKE SALE' is in large pink block letters. Below this are two cupcakes (one pink, one teal) and two overlapping pink hearts. The date 'Friday 9 February 2024' is written in pink. The main text explains the purpose of the sale: 'Lothersdale Primary School will be raising money for ShelterBox on Friday 9 February 2024 by holding a Bake Sale in honour of Valentine's Day.' It also states that any cakes, buns, or biscuits are welcome and that the deadline is the morning of 9 February. Finally, it says 'All donations raised will help the people who have lost their homes and need sheltering.' and is signed 'Thank you Natty Grey On behalf of The Lothersdale School Council'.

Class 3 Swimming Lessons



Please note that the deadline for payment of voluntary contributions towards your child’s swimming lessons is next week, Friday 2 February 2024. Swimming is an important part of the curriculum but, unfortunately, the school receives no extra funding for swimming and relies on parental contributions to enable the children to take part in this activity. To date we have received 72% of contributions from parents/carers and are reliant on 100% to help fund the full cost of travel and lessons. If you have not yet made a payment and still wish to do so, please ensure payment is made by the stated deadline. Many thanks for your support.

Welcome to the
Lothersdale

SCHOOL OFFICE

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SCHOOL OFFICE TERM TIME HOURS

	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	8:00 – 12:15	1:15 – 4:00
Tuesday	8:00 – 12:15	1:15 – 4:00
Wednesday	8:00 – 12:15	1:15 – 4:00
Thursday	8:00 – 12:15	1:15 – 4:00
Friday*	CLOSED	CLOSED

Access into school (parents/carers/contractors/visitors) is via prior appointment only, in line with the school’s Health & Safety and Child Protection Policies.

Please telephone the School Office during the hours listed to make an appointment to speak to a member of staff.

**Please note that Mrs Ellison is not in school on Fridays and emails will be checked on her return on Mondays. Urgent messages should be left on the school answer machine, which will be checked at intervals throughout the day.*

REMEMBER TO KEEP PUPIL CONTACT AND MEDICAL INFORMATION UP TO DATE!

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>

Pre-admissions Register of Interest

The school Pre-admissions Register of Interest List for a potential reception place at Lothersdale Primary School is starting to fill up for next year’s September 2025 admission group. It is important that parents/carers register their interest for a reception place for their child as soon as possible (even if you live in the village) to enable us to determine potential numbers and the impact it will have on the future school roll. Please be aware that entering your child’s name on this list does not constitute the offer of a Reception place.

LOTHERSDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL	Admission Year	Entry Date	Date of Birth Range	No. of Places Available	Registrations of Interest received to date
 Pre-admissions Register	2025/2026	Sept 2025	1.9.2020 to 31.8.2021	15 (tbc)	6
	2026/2027	Sept 2026	1.9.2021 to 31.8.2022	15 (tbc)	2
	2027/2028	Sept 2027	1.9.2022 to 31.8.2023	15 (tbc)	0
	2028/2029	Sept 2028	1.9.2023 to 31.8.2024	15 (tbc)	0

If you have not yet registered your interest for your child on any of the above school lists, please download a copy of the school’s register of interest form available from the school website or, alternatively, contact Mrs Ellison, in the School Office, via email on lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk as soon as possible for a form. If you have friends or relatives of children who also fall within the above categories, we would be grateful if you could pass on this information.



LSA Golden Ticket Competition



Thank you to all those children who have entered our Wonky Bar Golden Ticket Competition.

If you haven't yet ordered your chocolate bar(s) via your School Gateway account, please ensure you make a purchase by close of play today.

Chocolate bars will be sent out next week. Good Luck everyone!

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:

- Wed 31 Jan 2024**
 - The Dogs Trust Class Workshops
 - SEND Parent Workshop via Zoom ~ 4 to 5pm
- Thu 1 Feb 2024**
 - Class 3 Stone Age Day Workshop (*see below*)
- Fri 2 Feb 2024**
 - Deadline for payment of voluntary contributions towards Class 3 swimming lessons
- w/c 5 Feb 2024**
 - Children's Mental Health Week
- Mon 5 Feb 2024**
 - Young Voices Concert at Manchester AO Arena
- Tue 6 Feb 2024**
 - Safer Internet Day
- Wed 7 Feb 2024**
 - Well-being Wednesday
- Fri 9 Feb 2024**
 - School Council Valentine's Day Bake Sale
 - Last Class 3 Swimming Lesson this academic year
 - School breaks up for February half-term
- Mon 19 Feb 2024**
 - School re-opens at 8:40am
- Thu 22 Feb 2024**
 - National Child Measurement Programme ~ Rec & Year 6 ~ 1:15pm
- Fri 23 Feb 2024**
 - Class 2 Swimming Lessons start
- w/c 26 Feb 2024**
 - Chinese New Year
- Wed 28 Feb 2024**
 - Y5/6 Netball Festival at South Craven School
- Thu 7 Mar 2024**
 - World Book Day
- w/c 11 Mar 2024**
 - British Science Week
- Mon 11 Mar 2024**
 - Scholastic Book Fair in school
- Tue 12 Mar 2024**
 - Scholastic Book Fair in school
- Wed 13 Mar 2024**
 - Scholastic Book Fair in school
- Fri 15 Mar 2024**
 - Comic Relief Red Nose Day
 - Year 6 Crucial Crew
- Tue 19 Mar 2024**
 - Parent Consultations ~ 2 to 6pm
- Wed 20 Mar 2024**
 - Parent Consultations ~ 2 to 6:30pm
- Thu 21 Mar 2024**
 - Decorate an Egg Competition
- Fri 22 Mar 2024**
 - Last Class 2 Swimming Lesson this academic year
 - School finishes at 3:15pm for the Easter break
- Thu 18 Apr 2024**
 - LSA Bag2School Collection

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