

Well done to this week's

Lothersdale **LEGENDS**

Reception ~ Alfie Mc

Year 1 ~ Nell

Year 2 ~ Sophie

Year 3 ~ Lucy D

Year 4 ~ Lucy H

Year 5 ~ Summer

Year 6 ~ Ernie



HEALTH & SAFETY INFORMATION



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.



**NO DOGS
ALLOWED**

No Dogs on School Premises

Please remember that dogs are not allowed on the school premises and we would be grateful if parents/carers could ensure dogs are not brought onto the school playground in line with the school's health and safety policy.

If your child is being collected by another family member or friend, please ensure they are also made aware. Thank you for your support.



Traffic Management outside school

We have had reports this week of "gridlock" outside school due to cars parking on the white lines and yellow zigzags at school drop off and pick up.

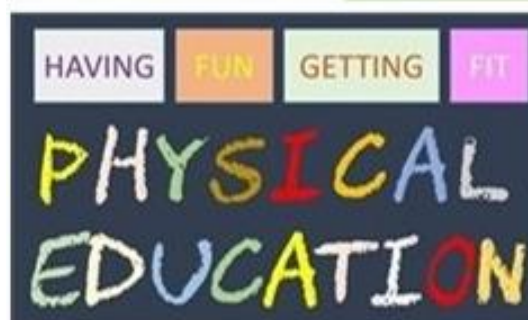
The white lines were introduced by the Parish Council to help support traffic flow through the village at peak times where the road is at its narrowest.

Once again, we would ask parents/carers not to park over these lines as this causes problems when vehicles cannot pull in to allow cars to pass in the opposite direction.

Thank you for your co-operation.

WELLBEING Warriors	
Class 1	Class 2
Rec ~ Meredith	Y1 ~ Ronnie
Rec ~ Matilda	Y2 ~ Tobin
Class 3	Class 4
Y4 ~ AnnabelleK	Y5 ~ William
Y4 ~ Charlotte	Y6 ~ Ernie

ADDITIONAL LEARNING SESSIONS				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Class 4 READING PLUS 8.25 to 8.45am	Year 4 READING PLUS 8.25 to 8.45am	Class 4 READING PLUS 8.25 to 8.45am	Year 4 READING PLUS 8.25 to 8.45am	Class 4 READING PLUS 8.25 to 8.45am
-	-	Year 4 TIMES TABLES 8.25 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. At the end of the afternoon sessions, please wait in the main playground to collect your child as per the normal end of school routine.				



WEEKLY TIMETABLE
Class 1 – Monday & Thursday
Class 2 – Monday & Thursday
Class 3 – Tuesday & Friday
Class 4 – Tuesday & Friday

Lothersdale SCHOOL COUNCIL		
CLASS 2	CLASS 3	CLASS 4
RONNIE	BERKELEY	JACK A
ISOBEL	MILA	SUMMER
HARRY P	JACK W	OLIVER
LAILA	LUCY H	MATILDA

EXTENDED SCHOOLS' ACTIVITIES ~ SPRING TERM 2023 FIRST HALF

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Yoga 8.15 to 8.55am CANCELLED	Dance Club 3.15 to 4.15pm	Drama 3.15 to 4.15pm	Supersports 3.15 to 4.15pm	Mixed Football 3.15 to 4.15pm
Multisports 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.

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:

Mon 13 Mar 2023 - LSA Meeting at 7.30pm at The Hare & Hounds in Lothersdale

DEADLINES & REMINDERS w/c 6 February 2023

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.

- Mon** - No YOGA session due to illness
- Tue** - Safer Internet Day
 - Deadline for completing and submitting the LSA Bag Packing form (see below)
- Wed** - Deadline for booking Extended Schools' Activities
- Thu** - LSA Valentine's Bake Sale at 3.15pm
- Fri** - Class 3 swimming lesson
 - Deadline for contribution via ParentPay towards Class 3 swimming lessons
 - School breaks up at 3.15pm for the February half-term break
- Sat** - LSA Bag Packing Fundraiser at Keelham Farm Shop (see below)

HEADTEACHER update

Dear Parents / Carers

As I approach the end of my penultimate week at Lothersdale, I have been thinking a lot about this school and the children within it. I have praised the children of this school on many occasions in Friday News and in assemblies, but I wanted to stress to you just how sincere I am when I say the things that I do about your children. Teaching the children of Year 5 over the last 3 years really has been a pleasure, and I have enjoyed every opportunity to teach each of the other year groups throughout the school as well.

I think the factor that makes the children, and the school, so special is the attitude to learning that the children display: children here really do want to learn; they want to improve. Teaching can be a very rewarding career – although very hard work too – and with children like yours it can be all the more pleasurable. This is just one of the elements of the job that I will genuinely miss.

Best wishes
Colum Grogan

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.



Legends Before and After School Club ~ Staff Vacancies

If you wish to apply for staff vacancies for our new Legends Before and After School Club, please ensure your completed application is returned to school no later than Thursday 9 February 2023.

These vacancies need to be filled to enable us to open after Easter.

French ~ La Galette des Rois

On the Monday 9 January, the children were able to celebrate Epiphany during their Language lesson.

La Galette des Rois is a French celebration when friends and family gather together and share a cake called "la galette".

Hidden inside is La fève (a charm), and the one who gets the charm becomes the King or Queen for the year!

We all had a fabulous time celebrating and we all enjoyed tasting the galette too!



Class 3 ~ Swimming Lessons



Please note that the deadline for payment of voluntary contributions towards your child's swimming lessons is today. 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 only received **68%** 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 as soon as possible. Many thanks for your support.

Class 3 ~ Geography



Class 3 are currently learning about North America as part of their geography topic this term.

All the children have enjoyed using the laptops to enable them to research the different biomes to support their learning.

Extended Schools ~ Spring Term 2023 Second Half



The activity flyer was emailed to parents/carers on Tuesday for extended schools' activities taking place after half-term. A copy is also available to view on the school website. *Please ensure you read the bookings information before applying for a club place.*

FREE Clubs: Please email the school office (lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk) by Wednesday 8 February 2023 to book a FREE activity place for your child. It would be helpful if you could include the name of the club(s) in the subject header to help us identify the replies easily. Activities will be allocated on a first come first serve basis.

PAID Clubs: the deadline for payment for children taking part in paying clubs is Wednesday 8 February 2023 to enable your child to continue with his/her chosen club. Your child's name will only be entered on the activity lists once payment has been made. The extended schools' accounts will be removed from ParentPay once the deadline has passed so it is important that payments are made promptly.

All extended schools' activities finish on Friday 31 March 2023 and children should be collected from school at the normal time of 3.15pm week commencing 27 March 2023.

The activity lists will be available on Thursday 9 February. ***Please note that we are unable to add your child to an activity list once the deadline has passed and the lists have been distributed to providers and LOOSC. It is therefore important that you help us to avoid your child missing out on an activity by adhering to the stated deadline.***

Some clubs will not run as follows and this has been taken into account in the Extended Schools' schedule:
Wednesday 22 February 2023 ~ no Drama or Art Clubs due to the LSA Pancake Tea / Meet the Leadership
Friday 17 March 2023 ~ no Football
Wednesday 29 March 2023 ~ no Drama or Art Clubs due to the LSA Children's Bingo Night.

Sewing Club

Please note that, due to high demand for places on this club and the fact that only six children can attend in one session, Gemma has kindly agreed to hold an extra session on a Monday after school. Places for this session were allocated to the first six children 'on the waiting list' following the text message sent out on Tuesday.

Art Club and Sewing Clubs – Oversubscribed

Please note that, for the next block of clubs scheduled after Easter, priority will be given to children who were not able to obtain a place this half-term.

Big School's Birdwatch



Next week in school all the children are going to be taking part in the Big School's Birdwatch. This will take place over break and lunchtimes and if you want to send your child into school with binoculars, please do so but ensure they are clearly named!

We will be finding out how many different variety of birds visit our school grounds and making a record to send off to the RSPB.

Safer Internet Day ~ Tuesday 7 February 2023



Safer Internet Day is celebrated globally in February each year to promote the safe and positive use of digital technology for children and young people and inspire a national conversation.

Next Tuesday we will be celebrating Safer Internet Day with this year's

key message ***'Want to talk about it? Making space for conversations about life online'***. Its aim is to promote the safe, responsible and positive use of digital technology for children and young people.



There are lots of resources available on the website for parents and carers - please scan the QR code for further information.

National Online Safety ~ Encouraging open discussions about digital safety

One of the most eye-catching results of a survey conducted by National Online Safety last year (taking in more than 1,000 UK parents and carers) was that more than one in six – 18% – *never* talk to their child about staying safe online. There are many quite understandable reasons for this, such as feeling that their child is still too young, or assuming that they're being taught online safety at school.

The fact remains, however, that regular conversations about our digital lives can help children keep online safety firmly in mind and avoid many common internet hazards.

We attach this week's National Online Safety guide, which has some ideas for starting these beneficial chats with children – letting them know that you're taking a keen interest without making it feel like an interrogation.

LSA NEWS!

LSA Valentine's Bake Sale ~ Thursday 9 February 2023

We will be holding our Valentine's Bake Sale in school at breaktime for pupils and again at 3.15pm in the playground next Thursday, 9 February 2023.

Please bring in baking donations either at pick up on Wednesday 8 February or drop off on Thursday 9 February.

Buns/cakes will cost 50p or £1

Don't forget to send money into school with your children on Thursday morning!



LSA Supermarket Bag Packing Fundraiser ~ Saturday 11 February 2023

The LSA has organised for children at Lothersdale Primary School to raise money for the school by packing bags at Keelham Farm Shop in Skipton on Saturday 11 February 2023. Children need to wear their school uniform and will wear fancy headbands in tune with Valentine's Day. Please see the flyer below.



One child is allocated to one time slot. If your child would like to take part in this event, please complete and submit the form below by Tuesday 7 February 2023. If your child is not selected at this time due to the limited numbers allowed, we will hopefully be able to repeat the experience at a later date.

Please note that children will be representing the school and it is therefore important that they behave in accordance with our school rules at all times.

Parents/Carers must supervise their children at this event for safeguarding purposes.

Welcome
to the
Lothersdale
SCHOOL
OFFICE

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SCHOOL OFFICE TERM TIME HOURS		
	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	8.00 – 12.00	1.00 – 4.00
Tuesday	8.00 – 12.00	1.00 – 4.00
Wednesday	8.00 – 12.00	1.00 – 4.00
Thursday	8.00 – 12.00	1.00 – 4.00
Friday*	8.30 – 10.30	3.15 – 3.45

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

Visitor access into school 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 the office will be manned between the stated hours for urgent messages only*

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 filling up quickly for next year's September 2024 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
 <p style="background-color: #0056b3; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">Pre-admissions Register</p>		2024/2025	Sept 2024	1.9.2019 to 31.8.2020	15 (tbc)	11
		2025/2026	Sept 2025	1.9.2020 to 31.8.2021	15 (tbc)	4
		2026/2027	Sept 2026	1.9.2021 to 31.8.2022	15 (tbc)	1
		2027/2028	Sept 2027	1.9.2022 to 31.8.2023	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.

School Events:

Tue 7 Feb 2023	- Safer Internet Day
Thu 9 Feb 2023	- LSA Valentine's Bake Sale
Fri 10 Feb 2023	- Last Class 3 swimming lesson this academic year
Fri 10 Feb 2023	- School breaks up at 3.15pm for February half-term
Mon 20 Feb 2023	- School reopens at 8.40am
Wed 22 Feb 2023	- LSA Pancake Tea and an opportunity to meet the new leadership team
Fri 24 Feb 2023	- Class 2 swimming lessons start
Mon 27 Feb 2023	- Year 6 Climbing Competition at High Adventure
Mon 27 Feb 2023	- Parent Forum in school at 8.45am
Wed 1 Mar 2023	- Y5/6 Netball Festival at South Craven School (selected pupils)
Thu 2 Mar 2023	- World Book Day
Mon 13 Mar 2023	- Deadline for contribution towards Class 2 swimming lessons
Fri 17 Mar 2023	- Comic Relief: Red Nose Day
Tue 21 Mar 2023	- Parent Consultations ~ 2pm to 5.30pm
Wed 22 Mar 2023	- Y5/6 Tag Rugby SCS Cluster Tournament
Thu 23 Mar 2023	- Parent Consultations ~ 2pm to 8.00pm
Mon 27 Mar 2023	- Scholastic Book Fair
Tue 28 Mar 2023	- Scholastic Book Fair
Wed 29 Mar 2023	- Scholastic Book Fair
Wed 29 Mar 2023	- LSA Bingo Night ~ 3.30 to 5.30pm
Fri 31 Mar 2023	- Last Class 2 swimming lesson this academic year
	- School breaks up at 3.15pm for the Easter holidays
Mon 17 Apr 2023	- Staff Training Day
Tue 18 Apr 2023	- School re-opens at 8.40am for the summer term
Thu 20 Apr 2023	- LSA Bag2School Collection
Wed 26 Apr 2023	- Y3/4 Maths Challenge at SCS (selected pupils)
Thu 27 Apr 2023	- Class 3 visit to Cliffe Castle
Mon 1 May 2023	- May Day Bank Holiday
Mon 8 May 2023	- Coronation Bank Holiday
Tue 9 to Fri 12 May	- Year 6 SATs
Wed 10 May 2023	- Y3/4 Cricket Festival TBC
Wed 17 May 2023	- Class and Year 6 Leavers' Photos
Thu 18 May 2023	- Y5/6 Cricket Festival TBC
Mon 22 May 2023	- Y6 Bikeability Training – Day 1
Tue 23 May 2023	- Y6 Bikeability Training – Day 2
Wed 24 May 2023	- Y5/6 Forensic Science event at SCS (selected pupils)
24 to 26 May 2023	- Year 4 Residential Visit to Eshton Grange
Fri 26 May 2023	- School breaks up at 3.15pm for the May half-term holiday
Mon 5 Jun 2023	- School re-opens at 8.40am for the second half of the summer term
Mon 12 Jun 2023	- Parent Forum in school at 8.45am

Tips for Encouraging Open Discussions about DIGITAL LIVES

The online world is an entirely familiar and commonplace part of life for today's children and young people, far more so than for previous generations. There are many positives to children being able to access online materials, so it's important not to demonise the Internet, games and apps, and limit the benefit of their positive aspects. At the same time, we do have a responsibility to educate children about the hazards they may encounter online (just as we would about real-world dangers) so it's essential that we don't shy away from talking to them about the complex – and often sensitive – subject of what they do and what they see when they're online.

Here are some suggestions for kicking off conversations with your child about their digital life ...

MAKE YOUR INTEREST CLEAR

Showing enthusiasm when you broach the subject signals to your child that you're keen to learn about the positives of their online world. Most children enjoy educating adults and will happily chat about what they use the Internet for, or what games and apps they're into and how these work. Asking to see their favourite games and apps in action could help you spot any aspects that may need your attention – such as chat functions which might require a settings adjustment to limit contact with strangers. Keep listening even if your child pauses for a long time: they could be considering how to phrase something specific, or they may be gauging your reaction.

BE OPEN AND HONEST, APPROPRIATE TO THEIR AGE

At various stages, children and young people become curious about puberty and how their body changes; about relationships; about how babies are made; and about sexual health. If your child knows that they can discuss these sensitive subjects with you, they tend to be less likely to go looking online for answers – which can often provide them with misleading information and, in some cases, lead to them consuming harmful content. Don't worry if you don't immediately know the answers to their questions – just find out for yourself and go back to them once you have the facts.

REMIND YOUR CHILD THEY CAN ALWAYS TALK TO YOU

In my role I work with many children and young people who admit being reluctant to tell a trusted adult about harmful content they've viewed online, in case it leads to having their devices confiscated. Emphasise to your child that you're always there to listen and help; reassure them that if they do view harmful content, then they are not to blame – but talking about it openly will help. Children shouldn't be expected to be resilient against abuse or feel that it's their job to prevent it.

KEEP TALKING!

The most valuable advice we can give is to keep talking with your child about their digital lives. You could try using everyday situations to ask questions about their online experiences.

DISCUSS THAT NOT EVERYTHING WE SEE ONLINE IS REAL

Here, you could give examples from your own digital life of the online world versus reality – for example, those Instagram posts which show the perfect house: spotlessly clean, never messy and immaculately decorated. Explain to your child that there are many other aspects of the online world which are also deliberately presented in an unrealistic way for effect – such as someone's relationship; their body, having perfect skin and so on.

TRY TO REMAIN CALM

As much as possible, try to stay calm even if your child tells you about an online experience that makes you feel angry or fearful. Our immediate emotions frequently influence the way we talk, so it's possible that your initial reaction as a parent or carer could deter a child from speaking openly about what they've seen. Give yourself time to consider the right approach, and perhaps speak with other family members or school staff while you are considering your next steps.

CREATE A 'FAMILY AGREEMENT'

Involving your whole household in coming up with a family agreement about device use can be immensely beneficial. You could discuss when (and for how long) it's OK to use phones, tablets, consoles and so on at home; what parental controls are for and why they're important; and why it's good to talk to each other about things we've seen or experienced online (both good and bad). Explaining your reasoning will help children to understand that, as trusted adults, we want to make sure they are well informed and kept safe. Allowing children to have their say when coming up with your family agreement also makes them far more likely to stick to it in the long term.

Meet Our Expert

Rebecca Jennings of RAISE (Raising Awareness in Sex Education) has almost 20 years' experience delivering relationships and sex education and training to schools, colleges and other education providers. A published author on the subject, she also advises the Department of Education on the staff-training element of the RSE curriculum.



National Online Safety

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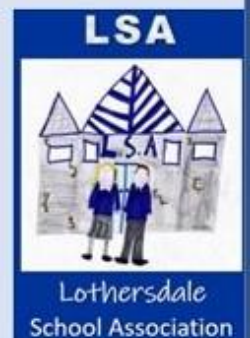
SUPERMARKET BAG PACKING SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2023

11 AM – 2 PM

KEELHAM FARM SHOP ■ SKIPTON

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FARM SHOP





Lothersdale Primary School
*ensuring all pupils
achieve their
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