

SPRING TERM • ISSUE 22 • FRIDAY 2 MARCH 2018



'THE BEAST FROM THE EAST'
DISRUPTS LEARNING AT LOTHERSDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL!

This week has seen extreme weather conditions up and down the country, resulting in an unprecedented four days of consecutive school closure at Lothersdale Primary School (the school was last closed in March 2013!).



Thu 1 March
at 1pm



SNOW REPORT!

Each morning Mrs Robinson drove to Lothersdale at approximately 6.30am and liaised with governors in the village about the opening of school. It was decided that as conditions were so treacherous, in order to ensure the safety of pupils, staff and parents, regrettably the school had to close.

Fri 2 March at 7am



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Throughout the week the roads into, through and out of Lothersdale have remained largely un-gritted since late Tuesday morning. With the strong winds the road from Cross Hills to Lothersdale became impassable for the majority of vehicles on Thursday and Friday due to the drifting snow.

Mrs Robinson has put snow updates on the school website daily and they are still there for further information.

Hopefully the weather and road conditions will improve over the weekend and we will be back to normal on Monday!



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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.*

- Fri 9 Mar 2018** - Fairtrade Coffee Morning at Lothersdale Village Hall (rescheduled from 2 March 2018) ~ 10.00 to 11.30am
- Mon 12 Mar 2018** - Class 1 & Class 2 Parent Forum ~ 9.00am (rescheduled from Monday 5 March 2018)
- Tue 13 Mar 2018** - Class 3 Science morning with Mrs Woolley
- Wed 14 Mar 2018** - Class 3 Science morning with Mrs Woolley
- Fri 16 Mar 2018** - Class 3 & Class 4 Parent Forum ~ 9.00am (rescheduled from Friday 9 March 2018)

Deadlines & Reminders for w/c 5 March 2018

- Mon** - FAIRTRADE WEEK IN SCHOOL
 - Scholastic Book Fairs in school at 8.30am to 9.00am and 3.00pm to 4.15pm
 - Reading Plus
 - ~~Class 1 & Class 2 Parent Forum ~ 9.00am~~ ~ POSTPONED ~ see below
 - KS2 Inter School Primary Climbing Competition (selected pupils)
 - Class 1 & Class 2 Soccer Tots sessions
 - Year 2 SATS Parent Information Evening ~ 6.15pm
 - Year 6 SATS Parent Information Evening ~ 7.30pm
- Tue** - Class 3 & Class 4 Tag Rugby sessions
 - Craven Partnership Swimming Gala Finals (selected pupils)
 - Numeracy Plus
- Wed** - WORLD BOOK DAY ~ rescheduled from last week
 - Reading Plus
 - Y5/6 Netball Festival at SCS (selected pupils)
- Thu** - Spelling Plus
 - Class 2 visit to Skipton Castle
- Fri** - Reading Plus
 - Deadline for Year 6 payment of contribution and return of consent form for Crucial Crew visit
 - Deadline for the return of the Easter lunch reply slip (children on pack ups)
 - Fairtrade Café at Lothersdale Village Hall from 10.00am to 11.30am
 - ~~Class 3 & Class 4 Parent Forum ~ 9.00am~~ ~ POSTPONED ~ see below
 - Class 3 swimming lesson

EXTENDED SCHOOL'S ACTIVITIES ~ w/c 5 March 2018				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Gymnastics 1 3.15 - 4.15pm	Gardening 3.15 - 4.00pm	Drama KS1 & KS2 3.30 - 4.30pm	Art 3.15 - 4.15pm	Mosaic Club 12.40 - 1.10pm
Gymnastics 2 4.20 - 5.20pm	Get Groovy 3.15 - 4.15pm		Supersports 3.15 - 4.15pm	French 3.15 - 4.00pm
Local Historians 3.15 - 4.00pm	Rebel Girls 3.15 - 4.00pm			Football 3.15 - 4.15pm
Running Club 3.15 - 4.15pm	Woolcraft 3.15 - 4.15pm			

Staffing Update

Mr Craven

We're really pleased to inform you that Mr Craven will be back in school on Monday 5 March.

Many thanks to Mrs Murray, Miss Thompson and Mrs Kingham who have provided supply cover in his absence.

What's Happening in the Classroom and Beyond?

Class 1 visit to Skipton Town Hall Museum ~ Tuesday 13 March 2018

Thank you for returning the consent forms for the Class 1 visit to Skipton Town Hall Museum on Tuesday 13 March 2018. Please note that the deadline for receipt of parental contributions for this visit is today, Friday 2 March 2018, and the school has only received 47% of contributions towards this trip to date. The school needs at least 80% to make this visit financially viable and, if you have not yet made a contribution but still wish to do so, please ensure your contribution is made via ParentPay by Monday 5 March 2018. No child will be excluded if his or her parents do not contribute, but if insufficient voluntary contributions are received then regrettably this visit will not go ahead.

Class 2 Visit to Skipton Castle ~ Thursday 8 March 2018

The children in Class 2 are really looking forward to visiting Skipton Castle on Thursday 8 March 2018. Children need to be in school at the normal time ~ they will be returning to school in time for the 3.15pm pick up.

Children on school dinners will be provided with a packed lunch and those children who bring in pack ups should do so as normal (no glass bottles please). Please send children to school in full school uniform with sturdy black school shoes (no boots please) and outerwear appropriate for the weather conditions on the day.

The deadline for receipt of voluntary contributions towards this visit has now passed and the school has received 90% of contributions towards this trip to date. If you have not yet made a contribution but still wish to do so, please ensure your contribution is made via ParentPay by Monday 5 March 2018.

Class 3 ~ Moving Monsters DT Project

Well done to all Class 3 for working so hard on their 'Moving Monsters' project in DT. They used a pneumatic system to create a moving part of a monster. Most children created a moving jaw however some children also included additional moving body parts, for example a tongue, ear and eye. Take a look at all our moving monsters ~ the photographs are available to view on the school website and the children will be able to explain how the pneumatic system works and how blowing into the syringe helps to move the monster even more.

Year 6 Crucial Crew Visit ~ Tuesday 20 March 2018

This year's Year 6 Crucial Crew visit will take place on Tuesday 20 March 2018 at Eshton Grange near Gargrave. The letter and consent form will be sent out on Monday 5 March and the voluntary contribution towards the cost of this visit should be made via ParentPay, and the completed consent form returned to school, by Friday 9 March 2018.

Weekly Reading, Times Tables & Spelling Challenges

There will be no Weekly Challenge results this week due to the school closures but the figures will be recorded next week as normal.

Please continue to support your child(ren) over the weekend and all next week with their respective challenges - we'd really love to achieve 100% across all classes. Many thanks.

KS2 Inter School Climbing Competition ~ Monday 5 March 2018

Good luck to all our climbers from Class 3 and Class 4 who are taking part in the Inter School Climbing competition at High Adventure on Monday. The competition will take place indoors and children should ensure they have their PE kit and trainers in school for this event.

Craven Sports Partnership Swimming Gala Finals ~ Tuesday 6 March 2018

Good luck to George B, Alex H, Lily L-P, Millie O, Evie P, Libby P, Dominica T and Isabelle T, who will be representing the South Craven School Cluster at the Craven Sports Partnership Swimming Gala Final on Tuesday 6 March. We are very proud that they are taking part and wish them great success on the day!

Year 5/6 Netball Festival ~ Wednesday 7 March 2018

Good luck to all our netballers in Year 5/6 who are taking part in the Netball Festival, against other local schools, at South Craven School on Wednesday 7 March 2018.

Year 2 and Year 6 SATs Parent Information Evening ~ Monday 5 March 2018

We look forward to seeing as many parents/carers from Year 2 and Year 6 at our SATs Parent Information Evening sessions on Monday 5 March 2018. Mrs Robinson will lead the evenings and will provide information to parents/carers about the national testing arrangements for children in Year 2 and 6 during May and June 2018. This will also be an opportunity to ask questions about the process.

The Year 2 session will start at 6.30pm and last approximately 40 mins.

The Year 6 session will start at 7.15pm and last approximately 40 mins.

Parent Forums

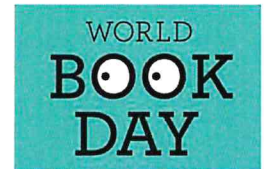
Due to the school closures this week, the Parent Forums have now been rescheduled and will take place as below. If you are unable to attend the above but would like to make any suggestions linked to school improvement, please send them into school for Mrs Robinson's attention so that they can be discussed.

Class 1 & Class 2 Parent Forum ~ 9.00am ~ Monday 12 March 2018

Class 3 & Class 4 Parent Forum ~ 9.00am ~ Friday 16 March 2018

World Book Day ~ Wednesday 7 March 2018

Due to this week's school closures, World Book Day will now take place next Wednesday, 7 March 2018. Please don't forget that we're hoping that children will be in the following themes:



- Class 1 ~ Julia Donaldson stories e.g. Tiddler, Room on the Broom, The Gruffalo
- Class 2 ~ Roald Dahl stories e.g. George's Marvellous Medicine, Esio Trot, The Twits, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory
- Class 3 ~ Roald Dahl stories e.g. Fantastic Mr Fox, Matilda, James and the Giant Peach, Danny the Champion of the World
- Class 4 ~ Michael Morpurgo stories e.g. Private Peaceful, Running Wild, Farm Boy, War Horse

Fairtrade Coffee Morning ~ 9 March 2018 (rescheduled date)



Due to the adverse weather conditions, the Fairtrade Coffee morning has been rescheduled and will now take place on Friday 9 March 2018 from 10am to 11.30am.

We would also be thrilled to have any contributions of baking for our café, made with Fairtrade chocolate or bananas. Please send items into school on either Thursday or Friday morning where they will be very gratefully received! THANKYOU!

Fairtrade Week ~ w/c 5 March 2018

Next week the whole school will be learning about the importance of Fairtrade and will work together in family groups on Wednesday and also on activities in their classrooms. Members of the Fairtrade team will be attending the Fairtrade Coffee morning on Friday where they will be able to talk to families, friends and members of the local community about the importance of supporting, where possible, Fairtrade products.



School Assemblies ~ Special Visitors

Monday 5 March 2018: Kath Smith ~ Nyakabungo Girls' School in Kenya

Monday 12 March 2018: Graham Hamilton ~ Martin House Hospice

Monday 26 March 2018: Julie Edwards ~ Heritage England



Scholastic Book Fairs ~ Monday 5 March 2018

Thank you to everyone who supported the book fair on last Monday and to Jonty's mum and Chloe Driver's dad, who gave up their time to help with the administration. Unfortunately, due to the school closures, the remaining book fairs didn't go ahead. Scholastic were due to collect the books today but, because of the weather, they will be informing us on Monday when we can expect collection.

In view of this we will be holding the book fairs on **Monday 5 March at 8.30am until 9.00am and again at 3.00pm until 4.15pm** for those of you who didn't get a chance to buy last Monday as there are some lovely books!

Easter Lunch ~ Thursday 29 March 2018

Please see the attached menu for the Easter Lunch, which will be held on Thursday 29 March 2018. If your child currently has a packed lunch you will receive separate information and a reply slip, which will be sent out via bookbags on Monday. If your child(ren) would like to have the Easter Lunch please complete the reply slip and return to school by Friday 9 March 2018 to enable Mrs Varley to order the correct quantities of food.



School Office and Updates

Class 3 Swimming Lessons ~ Spring Term

84% of contributions have been received to date towards Class 3's swimming lessons this term. If you still wish to make a contribution towards your child's swimming lessons, and haven't yet done so, please do so via ParentPay by Monday 5 March 2018.

Up-to-date Pupil Contact and Medical Information

Please could parents/carers ensure that all pupil contact information is up-to-date. If you have recently changed your address, or are due to change your address, please contact the school office for a change of address form. It is also important that school is kept updated regarding any changes to your child's health. Please inform the school office as soon as possible if your child's medical details change to enable us to maintain our records.

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

Class 3 ~ Our Moving Monsters photographs

Class 4 ~ Photographs from this week's Science lesson

Classes 2, 3 and 4 ~ Snow day learning activities.

Lothersdale School Association

LSA Meeting ~ Monday 23 April 2018

The next LSA meeting will take place in school at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome to come along and we look forward to seeing as many of you as possible.

LSA Event: The Fallings Stars Theatre Company presents 'TWO' by Jim Cartwright

Thank you to those parents/carers who have purchased tickets for our next LSA event which takes place at Lothersdale Village Hall on Saturday 17 March 2018 from 7.30pm. Tickets cost £10 each (BYO drinks) and are available from Beccy Durham, who is mum to Freddie and Ernie. Beccy is performing in this production and is kindly donating monies raised from this event to the LSA. Thank you for your support.

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



Learn to Play Day ~ Sunday 18 March 2018 ~ Christ Church, Skipton



Please find attached flyer regarding a 'Learn to Play Day' at Christ Church, Skipton on Sunday 18 March 2018. Every year the charity 'Music For All' champions a whole host of Learn to Play Day events all around the country. This year Skipton Community Orchestra will be holding an event at Christ Church in Skipton between 2pm and 4pm on Sunday 18 March 2018, to allow children and adults the opportunity to drop in and try a musical instrument. They will have musical instruments of all sizes to suit both children and adults. Local music teachers (and members of the orchestra) will be at the session to help people to try out different instruments and to give advice.

Rusty or lapsed players are also very welcome to come along and join in to blow the cobwebs off their instruments, within a small supportive group. They will be playing pieces from the BBC Ten Pieces programme which will allow everyone to experience the joy of playing along with others. Their music scores are for all abilities so everyone can just have a go, whatever you can manage. It won't matter if you play the wrong note at the wrong time.....this happens to us all quite regularly! The focus will be on having fun and joining in. They have a wonderful conductor who is a teacher in a local secondary school and is very approachable, funny and supportive.

Sports Cool!

Flyers will be sent out via bookbags on Monday regarding sports and dance clubs over the Easter holiday, for your information.

Soccer Hub Coaching

Flyers will be sent out via bookbags on Monday regarding the new soccer course starting on Friday 20 April for 10 weeks, for your information.

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



Please remember we are linked up with Christ Church 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.

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:

- w/c 5 Mar 2018 - Let's celebrate 'Fairtrade Week'
- Mon 5 Mar 2018 - Scholastic Book Fairs ~ 8.30 to 9.00am & 3.00 to 4.15pm
- Mon 5 Mar 2018 - KS2 Climbing Competition at High Adventure (selected pupils)
- Mon 5 Mar 2018 - Year 2 (6.30pm) & Year 6 (7.15pm) ~ SATS Information Evening
- Tue 6 Mar 2018 - Craven Sports Partnership Swimming Gala Finals (selected pupils)
- Wed 7 Mar 2018 - World Book Day
- Wed 7 Mar 2018 - Y5/6 Netball Festival at SCS (selected pupils)
- Thu 8 Mar 2018 - Class 2 visit to Skipton Castle
- Fri 9 Mar 2018 - Fairtrade Coffee Morning at Lothersdale Village Hall ~ 10.00am
- w/c 12 Mar 2018 - Let's celebrate 'Science Week'
- Mon 12 Mar 2018 - Class 1 & Class 2 ~ Parent Forum at 9.00am
- Tue 13 Mar 2018 - Class 3 Science Morning with Mrs Woolley
- Tue 13 Mar 2018 - Class 1 visit to Skipton Town Hall Museum
- Tue 13 Mar 2018 - Come Dine With Me ~ Year 1
- Wed 14 Mar 2018 - Class 3 Science Morning with Mrs Woolley
- Fri 16 Mar 2018 - Class 3 & Class 4 ~ Parent Forum at 9.00am
- Sat 17 Mar 2018 - LSA Event ~ Falling Stars Theatre Company presents 'TWO'
Tickets available from Beccy Durham ~ 07816 269690
- w/c 19 Mar 2018 - Let's celebrate 'Local History Week'
- Tue 20 Mar 2018 - Year 6 Crucial Crew Visit
- Thu 22 Mar 2018 - Class 1 visit to Christ Church Lothersdale
- w/c 26 Mar 2018 - Let's celebrate 'Easter'
- Tue 27 Mar 2018 - Parent Consultations ~ 2.30pm to 8.00pm
- Wed 28 Mar 2018 - Parent Consultations ~ 2.00pm to 5.30pm
- Thu 29 Mar 2018 - Easter Lunch
- Thu 29 Mar 2018 - School breaks up at 3.15pm for the Easter break
- Mon 16 Apr 2018 - School closed for staff training
- Tue 17 Apr 2018 - School re-opens for the summer term
- Mon 23 Apr 2018 - LSA meeting in school at 7.30pm
- Fri 18 May 2018 - LSA Bag2School collection
- w/c 21 May 2018 - Let's celebrate 'Shavuot'
- Thu 24 May 2018 - Class 1 Talking Tables Workshop (for parents/carers and/or grandparents) ~ 9.00am to 10.30am
- w/c 11 Jun 2018 - Let's celebrate 'Eid'
- w/c 25 Jun 2018 - Arts Week ~ 'One World' ~ Environmental issues and recycling
- Fri 5 Oct 2018 - LSA Bag2School collection

Community Events:

- 7 - 10 March 2018 - Madagascar the Musical - a Musical Adventure by the Stage Door Youth Theatre at the Pendle Hippodrome Theatre in Colne.
For tickets call 01282 617315 or www.phtheatre.co.uk



EASTER LUNCH MENU

Breaded Salmon Nuggets (v)

Tomato Sauce

Broccoli & Sweetcorn

Sauté Potato

Oaty Brown Bread



Krispie Easter Bun

Thursday

29 March 2018



Learn To Play Day

18
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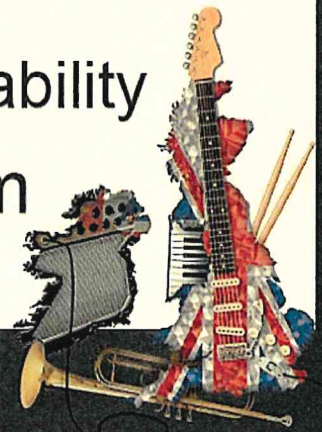
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with Skipton Community Orchestra
at Christ Church, Skipton

Any age, any instrument, any ability

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