

FRIDAY NEWSLETTER



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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 18 MARCH 2024

Mon - Class 2 deadline for payment of swimming lesson contribution

- Class 3 deadline for completion & submission of the Y3/4 Maths Challenge online form

Tue - Class 1 visit to Christ Church, Lothersdale (am)

- Class 4 Shakespeare Workshop at South Craven School (pm)

Wed - Deadline for returning Shelterbox Colouring Competition entries and entry fee (see below)

- Year 6 Parent Information Transition Evening at South Craven School at 7:15pm

Thu - Decorate an Egg Competition (see flyer below)

- Inspiration Day Assembly

- LSA Easter Bake Sale in the playground after school at 3:15pm

Fri - Easter Assembly

- Last Class 2 swimming lesson this academic year

School breaks up at 3:15pm for the Easter break

EXTENDED SCHOOLS ACTIVITIES ~ SPRING TERM 2024 ~ SECOND HALF Friday Monday Tuesday Wednesday **Thursday** French Club Year 6 SATS Club Supersports **Football Gymnastics** 3.15 to 4.15pm 12.45 to 1.15pm 3.15 to 4.15pm 3.15 to 4.15pm 3.15 to 4.15pm **Sewing Club Dance Club** 3.15 to 4.15pm 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

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Class 1 - Monday & Friday

Class 2 - Monday & Thursday

Class 3 - Tuesday & Friday

Class 4 - Tuesday & Friday

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Class 4 READING PLUS 3.20 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
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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.

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Y2	FRANKIE H and ELLIOTT I
Y3	LUCY K and ADAM
Y4	BOHDAN and PHOEBE
Y5	JUDE and CHARLOTTE
V6	HENRY and NATTY

SCHOOL COUNCIL

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.



On Tuesday, the class took part in a Great Fire of London Workshop. During the workshop, the children travelled back in time to London in 1666. We met Mary, an eyewitness, who spoke to the children about the events that happened in London leading up to and during The Great Fire. We also learnt about how London was rebuilt after the fire. We also took part in drama activities, where the pupils were rein acting how The Great Fire of London started in the bakery on Pudding Lane!

World Book Day ~ Thursday 7 March 2024



Last week, the children enjoyed a day fit for bedtime! Dressed in their cosiest PJs, dressing gowns and onesies with slippers, eye masks, blankets and soft toys to hand, they joined Mrs B for her (and thankfully one of their) favourite stories from Class 1. Mrs B read a picture book called Fabulous Pie to the whole school - a real flashback for some of the Y6 pupils! We discussed how books can help us escape into a world of possibilities, imagination and wonder.

The characters in our favourite books can teach us about love, friendship, fear, adventure and much, much more. The power of books is truly amazing.





Scholastic Book Fairs

Thank you to all our parents/carers/children who supported our Scholastic Book Fairs this week. Once again, the fairs were very successful, and the school will spend the commission earned on buying new class texts and books for the library.

British Science Week ~ 8 to 17 March 2024



On Monday 11 March, Mrs Knight introduced everyone to British Science Week 2024 and this year's theme of **Time**. Your child has brought home their British Science Week Home Activity Pack this week, and we look forward to seeing evidence of the experiments you have been completing at home. Please remember to email any photos or videos of your experiments to

lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk addressed FAO Mrs Knight.



Following our assembly on Monday with Mrs Knight, which was about British Science Week and this year's theme of **Time**, Mr Quinn and Mrs Johnston came from South Craven School on Wednesday to deliver a science assembly about time in space. They also did a lesson with Year 5 and 6. We made pendulums to find out the different swing speeds of masses and had to record our observations in a table. We had to find what mass would swing 10 times within 30 seconds. Although no one completed this, we have a better understanding of the weight affecting pendulums.

Written by Oscar, Felicity and Natty

North Yorkshire Cross Country Primary Schools' Championship ~ Tuesday 12 March 2024

Well done to our runners (Hugo, Sophie B, Ruby, Aravon, Lucy H and Adam B) who represented the Craven area in the North Yorkshire Finals at Giggleswick School. We are so proud of you all!

Fairtrade Coffee Morning ~ Thursday 14 March 2024 ~ Lothersdale Village Hall



Thank you to those parents/carers who were able to attend and/or donate cakes and buns for our Fairtrade Coffee Morning held in the Village Hall yesterday, in conjunction with Christ Church, Lothersdale. All monies raised at this event have been split between Keighley Refuge and Nyakabungo Girls School in Kenya.

Year 6 Crucial Crew Visit ~ Friday 15 March 2024

On Friday, our Year 6 children took part in this year's Crucial Crew event at Eshton Grange. The event involved Year 6 children from local schools who all got to experience a set of scenarios set up by North Yorkshire Police, utilising Craven agencies.

They learnt about safety at home, water safety and the impact of smoking to name a few. Each scenario was set up in a safe situation to help a child learn how to react correctly in an emergency or dangerous situation. Well done, Year 6.

South Craven Parent/Carer Information Evening ~ Wednesday 20 March 2024

A letter was sent home via bookbags yesterday to parents/carers of children transitioning to South Craven School in September, regarding the Parent/Carer Information Evening taking place next Wednesday.

Y3-4 Maths Challenge at South Craven School ~ Wednesday 10 April 2024

A letter was emailed out yesterday to parents/carers of children who have expressed an interest in taking part in this year's Year 3/4 Maths Challenge at South Craven School on Wednesday 10 April 2024 against other local primary schools. Please ensure the online form is completed and submitted by Monday 18 March 2024. It would be really helpful if you could complete the form by return if you know your child cannot attend this event. We will then have time to offer the place to another child. Many thanks.



Comic Relief Red Nose Day ~ Friday 15 March 2024

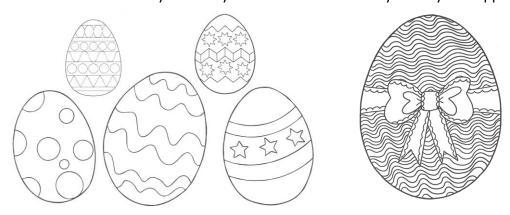
Thank you to everyone who supported this year's Comic Relief Red Nose Day in school. You all looked amazing dressed in red. Photographs will be in next week's newsletter. Please remember to make your donation via your child's School Gateway account by the end of today, Friday 15 March. Many thanks.



The School Council ~ Shelterbox Colouring Competition

Our next fundraising activity for Shelterbox is an Easter Colouring Competition. Your child will bring home a colouring sheet if they would like to enter. Please return the entry to school by Wednesday, 20 March 2024 with the 50p entry fee. Winners will be

announced in our Easter Assembly on Friday 22 March 2024. Thank you for your support.



PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Parent Consultations

Appointment slips were sent out to parents/carers via bookbags on Thursday to confirm your allocated time slot(s) for the forthcoming Parent Consultations.

Every effort has been made to meet requests but, if you are unable to make the time allocated, please ensure you contact the school office as soon as possible to arrange an alternative time.

The time slots are 10 minutes duration and teachers have been advised to ensure appointments do not run over; we would be grateful if you could arrive just before your appointment time to avoid congestion.



Year 4 Residential Visit to Eshton Grange ~ May 2024

The letter and information booklet was sent out via bookbags yesterday regarding this year's Year 4 residential visit to Eshton Grange.

The payment for this visit is set up on your child's School Gateway account.



Decorate an Easter Egg Competition

Remember it's our annual 'Decorate an Easter Egg Competition' next week! We look forward to seeing your creations at the end of term.



to the Lothersdale OFFICE

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

Telephone: 01535 632510 Email:

lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk

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.



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



Unfortunately, due to staff absence and unprecedented volumes of work currently coming into the school office, we are unable to action work or reply to queries as quickly as we would like.

We would be grateful if you could bear with us whilst we endeavour to get through this busy period.

Class 2 Swimming Lessons



Please note that the deadline for payment of voluntary contributions towards your child's Class 2 swimming lessons is next week, <u>Monday 18 March 2024</u>. 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 57% 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.

School Uniform

We have noticed a growing number of children coming to school in clothes that are not part of our school uniform this term. Please note that leggings, sports socks, coloured socks/tights and trainers are <u>not</u> part of the current school uniform.

We would be grateful if all parents/carers could take the time over the Easter break to ensure the school uniform (and PE kit) complies with the official school uniform policy.

Please note that trainers of any kind are not classed as school shoes, nor are black boots.

Straps on bookbags must be removed for health and safety reasons for children in Class 1 and Class 2.

Many thanks for your support.





Lothersdale School Uniform

Black or dark grey trousers/shorts
Black or dark grey pinafore dress
Black or dark grey knee length skirt
Blue and white Gingham dress/playsuit/shorts/skorts
White short-sleeved polo shirt
Royal blue school sweatshirt with logo
Grey, black or white socks, or
Royal blue/dark grey/black tights
Black school shoes*

*for safety reasons children should wear shoes that are as flat as possible. <u>High-heeled shoes, boots and</u> trainers are not to be worn to school.

In inclement weather, children may come to school in boots or wellingtons, changing into school shoes on arrival.

PE / Swimming

White T-Shirt
Royal blue or navy shorts or skorts
Trainers (indoor and outdoor pair)
Royal blue school PE hoody
Plain, dark blue or black tracksuit
bottoms or leggings
School PE bag

Swimming trunks (not long Bermuda shorts) /
One piece swimming costume
(Years 1, 2, 3 & 4 only, selected terms)

PE Kit must be kept in school at all times in a school PE bag unless requested otherwise

School Essentials

Large school bookbag with shoulder strap (removed for children in Class 1 & Class 2)
with optional water bottle holder
School water bottle (purchased via ParentPay)

Hair Accessories	Jewellery and Nail Varnish
Long hair must be tied back with small unobtrusive headbands or scrunchies/bobbles in royal blue, black, grey or navy.	If your child wears earrings, they should be small studs, which must be removed prior to PE and swimming sessions for health & safety reasons. Nail varnish on fingers and toes is not allowed.

PLEASE CLEARLY LABEL <u>ALL</u> SCHOOL UNIFORM WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME. WE WOULD ASK YOU TO USE IRON-ON OR SEWN-IN LABELS AND NOT MARKER PEN/BALLPOINT PEN AS THIS RUBS OFF VERY QUICKLY AND MAKES IT DIFFICULT TO IDENTIFY CLOTHING ITEMS.

All the uniform items are readily available from Skip to School, Water Street, Skipton.

This is the Lothersdale Primary School definitive list as agreed by The Governing Body (May 2022) and no other variations should be purchased.



LSA Bake Sale ~ Thursday 21 March 2024

Next week, the LSA are holding a Bake Sale on the school playground at 3:15pm. Please bring baking donations into school on the Thursday morning and remember to send your children in with plenty of change.



LSA Movie Night ~ Thursday 18 April 2024

The LSA Movie Night is taking place on Thursday 18 April 2024 after school. The movie, Wonka, is a PG rating. If your child would like to come along, please ensure payment is made via the School Gateway app by Tuesday 16 April 2024. In order to confirm the booking, you will need to tick the consent form to confirm you are happy for your child to watch this movie.





LSA Bag2School Collection ~ Thursday 18 April 2024

If you're having a spring clean over the Easter break, please save your clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories.

You can put them in bin bags, but we will also be sending out Bag2School bags via bookbags next week. This is the last Bag2School collection of this academic year.

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.

HEAD LICE

There have been reported outbreaks of head lice in school. Would parents please check children's hair and take preventative measures where necessary. Please note that it is school policy that long hair must be **tied back at all times** in school (*girls <u>and boys whose hair is shoulder length</u>). A high ponytail is ideal as this keeps loose hair to a minimum to prevent the spread of head lice when children are working or playing together.*

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:

Fri 15 Mar 2024 - Comic Relief Red Nose Day

Year 6 Crucial Crew

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

Tue 9 Apr 2024 - Parent Consultations ~ 2 to 6pm
Thu 11 Apr 2024 - Parent Consultations ~ 2 to 6:30pm

Thu 18 Apr 2024 - LSA Bag2School Collection

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

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.

Please see the flyers below for events taking place within the local community.





EASTER HOLIDAY CAMPS

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MONDAY 25TH -THURSDAY 28TH MARCH

EARLY DROP AND LATE PICK UP NOW AVAILABLE, PLEASE SEE WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO Keighley

WEDNESDAY 3RD -FRIDAY 5TH APRIL

BOOK ONLINE

10AM - 3PM

WWW.SOCCERHUB.ORG.U



LOTHERSDALE YFC'S EASTER BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER

LOTHERSDALE SUNDAY 31ST VILLAGE HALL

MARCH 9 A M - 1 P M











FULL ENGLISH BREAKFAST SANDWICHES FRESH COFFEE / TEA

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