

SPRING TERM ■ ISSUE 25 ■ FRIDAY 22 MARCH 2024



Message from Mrs Tyson

Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils

As we approach the Easter holiday, I wanted to take a moment to extend my warmest wishes to you and your families. I hope this time brings joy, renewal, and cherished moments for all.

I am filled with immense pride and joy as I reflect upon the accomplishments of our children over the Spring term. Our pupils have been Historians, focusing on a range of topics from the Ancient Egyptians, to World War II to the Stone Age. Pupils have benefitted from a range of immersive experiences such as the Great Fire of London workshop, Chinese New Year celebrations and PSHE workshops from Coram Life Education. In addition, we have celebrated themed curriculum days such as French Day, Science Week and Children's Mental Health Week (including a Lothersdale spa!). We are incredibly proud of the immersion we have on offer and we look forward to developing this further.

Looking ahead, we are filled with excitement for the upcoming Summer term. We have many engaging activities, learning opportunities, and events planned, and we cannot wait to welcome everyone back. Together, we'll continue to nurture a supportive and enriching environment, where every child can thrive and succeed.

I would also like to extend my deepest gratitude to each and every one of you for your unwavering support and collaboration. Your partnership with us in your child's education journey is truly invaluable, and it's evident in the remarkable progress and successes we've witnessed together. I am particularly appreciative of our wonderful governing body, LSA and incredible group of school volunteers, who work hard to support the school. I have been particularly impressed by the introduction of a walking school bus, which is helping to reduce congestion outside the school.

As we embark on this well-deserved Easter break, I encourage you to take this time to rest, recharge, and cherish moments with your loved ones. Let's celebrate the accomplishments of our students and the strength of our community, as we look forward to the adventures that await us in the coming term.

In closing, I want to express my heartfelt appreciation to each of you for your unwavering commitment and partnership. Together, we are shaping bright futures for our children, and I couldn't be more proud to be part of this journey with you all.

Warm regards, Mrs Tyson

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.

ADDITIONAL LEARNING SESSIONS

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
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| 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 | - | - |

HAVING FUN GETTING FIT

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

WEEKLY TIMETABLE

Class 1 – Monday & Friday

Class 2 – Monday & Thursday

Class 3 – Tuesday & Friday

Class 4 – Tuesday & Friday

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.

W/c 8 APRIL 2024 ~ NO EXTENDED SCHOOLS' ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

- Mon** - Staff Training Day
 - LEGENDS Holiday Club (*see info below re booking this session*)
- Tue** - School re-opens at 8:40am for the summer term
 - Parent Consultations ~ 2pm to 6pm
- Wed** - Year 6 SATS Club ~ 3:15 to 4:15pm
 - Y3/4 Maths Challenge at South Craven School (*selected pupils*)
- Thu** - Parent Consultations ~ 2pm to 6:30pm

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.

Lothersdale Primary School

Extended Schools'



Activities

Extended Schools' Activities UPDATE!

We are currently in the process of updating our Extended Schools' Activities offer and would ask that you bear with us whilst we refresh our provision and provide more exciting opportunities for the children to engage in.

There will be **no** activities week commencing 8 April, when school returns after the Easter break.

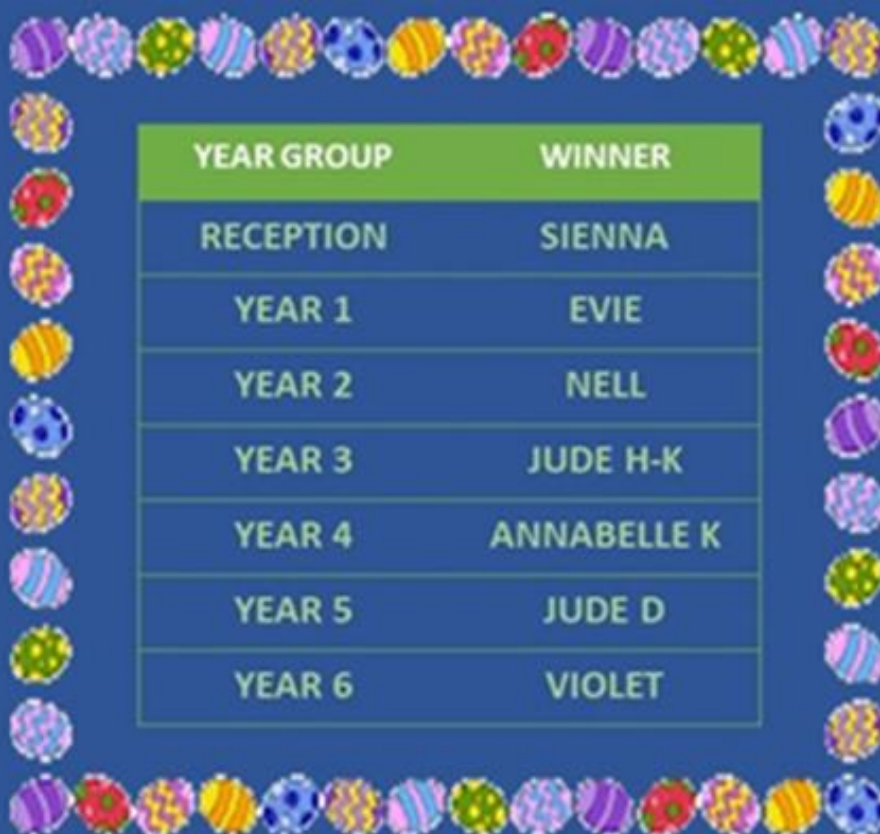
Information will be sent out the first week back and it is anticipated that all extended schools' activities will restart on Monday 15 April 2024.

Year 6 SATS Club will continue as soon as school returns – the first session will be Wednesday 10 April 2024.

The Annual Lothersdale Primary School's
**DECORATE AN
EASTER EGG COMPETITION**

WELL DONE EVERYONE!

for producing some fantastic decorated eggs in school today for our annual competition. The standard was very high and it was very difficult judging them all. We are pleased to announce that this year's winners are:



| YEAR GROUP | WINNER |
|------------|-------------|
| RECEPTION | SIENNA |
| YEAR 1 | EVIE |
| YEAR 2 | NELL |
| YEAR 3 | JUDE H-K |
| YEAR 4 | ANNABELLE K |
| YEAR 5 | JUDE D |
| YEAR 6 | VIOLET |

Thank you to George Garland and Paul Wright from Skipton Craven Rotary Club, who kindly judged this year's competition.



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 helped raise **£85.00** towards this worthwhile charity.



The School Council ~ Shelterbox Colouring Competition

Thank you to those children who were able to support the School Council's Easter Colouring Competition. You helped raise £13.50 towards our Shelterbox Charity fundraising initiative. Congratulations to all our winners.



Congratulations to all our children who took part in this year's Rotary Young Writer Competition.

On Friday 22 March, we welcomed George Garland and Paul Wright from Skipton Craven Rotary, who came into school to present certificates and WH Smith gift cards to all our prize winners in our assembly.

Well done to two of our pupils who achieved joint 4th place and one pupil who won the prize for 6th place.

Certificates have been sent home with the children who took part in this competition.

We are so proud of you all!



Parent Consultations ~ Tuesday 9 April & Thursday 11 April 2024



Our Parent Consultations will be taking place on Tuesday and Thursday after half-term and appointment slips were sent home via bookbags last week.

Each appointment is for 10 minutes, 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.

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

Good Luck to our team of mathematicians from Class 3 who will be 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.

Welcome to the
Lothersdale **SCHOOL OFFICE**

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

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 |

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>

Swimming Lessons ~ Voluntary Contributions



Please note that the deadline for payment of voluntary contributions towards your child's Class 2 swimming lessons was Monday 18 March 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.

Sadly, the school is £175.50 short of the total required to make this Class 2 activity financially viable and, along with the £768.40 shortfall from the Class 3 swimming lessons, the school must now take £943.90 from the curriculum budget to make up this loss. As this shortfall has not been accounted for in this year's budget, it may mean that, sadly, some planned curriculum projects will now have to be cancelled.

The payments for both Class 2 and Class 3 remain open on School Gateway if you have not yet made a contribution (however small), and still wish to do so.

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 personal water bottles, leggings, sports socks, coloured socks/tights and trainers are not 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.

School Water Bottles

Please ensure all children bring a school water bottle to school in line with the school's policy. No other water bottles are permitted. Please note that, once the current supply of school water bottles runs out, we will be offering an alternative school water bottle via School Gateway. Trials have taken place and we have been assured they do not leak!

Many thanks for your support.



| Lothersdale School Uniform | PE / Swimming |
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| <p>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 <u>shoes</u>*</p> <p><i>*for safety reasons children should wear shoes that are as flat as possible. <u>High-heeled shoes, boots and trainers are not to be worn to school.</u></i></p> <p><i>In inclement weather, children may come to school in boots or wellingtons, changing into school shoes on arrival.</i></p> | <p>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</p> <p>Swimming trunks (not long Bermuda shorts) / One piece swimming costume <i>(Years 1, 2, 3 & 4 only, selected terms)</i></p> <p><i>PE Kit must be kept in school at all times in a school PE bag unless requested otherwise</i></p> |

| School Essentials |
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| <p>Large school bookbag with shoulder strap (removed for children in Class 1 & Class 2) with optional water bottle holder School water bottle (<i>purchased via ParentPay</i>)</p> |

| Hair Accessories | Jewellery and Nail Varnish |
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| <p>Long hair must be tied back with small unobtrusive headbands or scrunchies/bobbles in royal blue, black, grey or navy.</p> | <p>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.</p> |

PLEASE CLEARLY LABEL ALL 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.

LEGENDS Before & After School Club ~ Fee Increase

From 1 April 2024, our LEGENDS fees will increase as detailed below. The SchoolGateway system will be updated early next week, and parents/carers will be able to book Breakfast and/or the After School Club sessions for the summer term onwards, from Wednesday 27 March 2024.

Legends Breakfast Club (7:30am – 8:40am) is £7.14 per child per session including a light snack and drink.

Legends Afternoon Full Session (3:15pm – 6:00pm) is £11.29 per child per session including a light snack and drink.

Legends Afternoon Short Session (3:15pm – 4:30pm) is £5.88 per child per session (please note this does not include a light snack).

Legends Afternoon Short Session (4:15pm – 6:00pm) is £7.88 per child per session including a light snack and drink.

Please refer to the LEGENDS Parent Handbook for all other information relating to our LEGENDS Breakfast and After School Club sessions.

Holiday Club ~ Monday 8 April 2024

The Holiday Club will be open on Monday 8 April 2024 from 8am to 6.00pm to cover the Staff Training Day. We will be updating the SchoolGateway system next week to reflect the price increases and bookings can be made once this has been done.



If you would like your child to attend the Holiday Club, bookings can be taken from Wednesday 27 March to Tuesday 2 April 2024 inclusive. Please remember that children will require a packed lunch.



LSA Bake Sale ~ Thursday 21 March 2024

Thank you to everyone who supported yesterday's LSA Bake Sale in school. Once again, the bakes were amazing and we are very grateful to everyone who brought in baking and bought items at the Bake Sale.

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, or the Bag2School bags which were sent out this week. **Please do not use any other bags.** This is the last Bag2School collection of this academic year.

| They accept the following 'good quality' items for RE-USE: | They DO NOT accept: |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing ✓ Paired shoes (tied together/elastic band around) ✓ Handbags / hats / bags ✓ Scarves and ties ✓ Jewellery ✓ Lingerie ✓ Socks ✓ Belts ✓ Soft toys ✓ Household linen / curtains / towels ✓ Household bedding (sheets, pillowcases and duvet covers) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> X Duvets and blankets X Pillows and cushions X Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats) X Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing X School uniforms with and without logo X Corporate clothing and workwear X Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material |



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 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
- Wed 10 Apr 2024** - Y3/4 Maths Challenge at South Craven School
- Thu 11 Apr 2024** - Parent Consultations ~ 2 to 6:30pm
- Mon 15 April 2024** - Extended Schools' Activities start for the summer term
- Year 4 Eshton Grange ~ Parents Information Evening
- Thu 18 Apr 2024** - LSA Bag2School Collection
- LSA Movie Night
- 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.

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CRAFTY FUN THIS HALF-TERM
MARCH 25-APRIL 5

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ages 3-8

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HALL

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MARCH
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