

We wish all our  
parents/carers and pupils a very



School re-opens on  
Tuesday 18 April 2023



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

Well done to everyone for producing some fantastic decorated eggs in school today for our annual competition. As always, 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	ALFRED
YEAR 1	NELL
YEAR 2	LAILA
YEAR 3	BERKELEY
YEAR 4	JACK W
YEAR 5	HENRY
YEAR 6	CHLOE





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## 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.

### Parking

Please remember that the white keep clear lines on the road in the vicinity of school, along with the yellow zigzag markings, are not parking spaces and must remain clear to support the traffic flow through Lothersdale. Thank you for your support.

## 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

HAVING

FUN

GETTING

FIT

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION

### WEEKLY TIMETABLE

Class 1 – Monday & Thursday

Class 2 – Monday & Friday

Class 3 – Tuesday & Thursday

Class 4 – Tuesday & Friday



Class 1

Class 2

Rec ~ Meredith

Y1 ~ Ronnie

Rec ~ Matilda

Y2 ~ Tobin

Class 3

Class 4

Y4 ~ Annabelle K

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.				

EXTENDED SCHOOLS' ACTIVITIES ~ SUMMER TERM 2023 FIRST HALF				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Tennis 3.15 to 4.15pm	Dance Club 3.15 to 4.15pm	Art 3.15 to 4.15pm	Sewing Club 3.15 to 4.15pm	Sewing Club 3.15 to 4.15pm
-	Rounders 3.15 to 4.15pm	Drama 3.15 to 4.15pm	STEM Club 3.15 to 4.15pm	Mixed Football 3.15 to 4.15pm
-	-	-	Supersports 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:*

- Wed 7 Jun 2023** - New Reception Transition morning (in the park) – Week 1
- Wed 7 Jun 2023** - KS2 Rounders Festival at South Craven School
- Wed 14 Jun 2023** - New Reception Transition morning (in the park) – Week 2
- Thu 15 Jun 2023** - Y5/6 Languages Festival at South Craven School
- Wed 21 Jun 2023** - New Reception Transition morning (in the park) – Week 3
- Wed 21 Jun 2023** - Y1/Y2 Mini Olympics at South Craven School
- Wed 28 Jun 2023** - New Reception Transition afternoon (in school) – Week 4
- Thu 29 Jun 2023** - Year 5 Intake Open Evening at South Craven School
- Mon 3 Jul 2023** - Year 6 Induction Day at South Craven School
- Tue 4 Jul 2023** - Year 5 Day at South Craven School
- Wed 5 Jul 2023** - New Reception Transition afternoon (in school) – Week 5
- Wed 5 Jul 2023** - New Reception Parents' Welcome Evening at 7pm
- Thu 6 Jul 2023** - Sports Day (weather dependent)
- Thu 7 Jul 2023** - LSA Summer Fair (weather dependent)
- Wed 12 Jul 2023** - New Reception Transition afternoon (in school with lunch) – Week 6
- Thu 13 Jul 2023** - Reserve Sports Day (weather dependent)
- Fri 14 Jul 2023** - All Extended Schools' Activities finish
- Tue 18 Jul 2023** - Year 6 Leavers' Concert at 7pm
- Wed 19 Jul 2023** - Year 6 Leavers' Discos
- Fri 21 Jul 2023** - End of the Academic Year ~ school breaks up at 3.15pm



## 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 10 April 2023

- Wed** - Deadline for booking extended schools' activities (FREE & PAID clubs)
- Thu** - Deadline for booking a place at **Legends** Holiday Club (Monday 17 April 2023)

### W/c 17 April 2023

- Mon** - School closed for Staff Training
  - **Legends** Before and After School Club open from 8am to 6pm (pre-book via School Gateway app by Tuesday 11 April 2023)
- Tue** - School re-opens for the summer term
  - Deadline for completing the SCS Y3/4 Maths Challenge online form (selected pupils)
- Wed** - Year 4 Eshton Grange Parents' Information Meeting at 6.30pm
- Thu** - LSA Bag2School collection by 9.30am

## 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 School Uniform	PE / Swimming
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*  <i>*for safety reasons children should wear shoes that are as flat as possible. High-heeled shoes, boots and trainers are not to be worn to school.</i>  <i>In inclement weather, children may come to school in boots or wellingtons, changing into school shoes on arrival.</i>	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)  <i>PE Kit must be kept in school at all times in a school PE bag unless requested otherwise</i>

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 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.**

### 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 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.

Many thanks for your support.



### Scholastic Book Fairs ~ W/c 27 March 2023

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 also books for the library.

We would like to extend a huge 'thank you' to members of the LSA for helping out with this week's fairs – it was very much appreciated.

### Extended Schools ~ Summer Term 2023 First Half



The activity flyer was emailed to parents/carers today for extended schools' activities taking place after Easter. 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](mailto:lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk)) by Wednesday 12 April 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 12 April 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 26 May 2023.

The activity lists will be available on Monday 17 April 2023. ***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.***

### 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.

### Yoga Club

Unfortunately, we are unable to hold our popular morning Yoga club in school after the Easter break due to the space being utilised for our new **Legends** Before and After School Club. However, Yoga is hopefully going to continue at **Legends** and will form part of the activities offered there on Monday mornings.



### **Year 4 Residential Visit to Eshton Grange ~ Parent Information Meeting – 19 April 2023**

A letter and information about the forthcoming Year 4 residential visit to Eshton Grange was emailed out to Year 4 parents/carers on Monday. A meeting will also take place in school for parents/carers on Wednesday 19 April 2023 at 6.30pm.

### **Y3-4 Maths Challenge at South Craven School ~ Wednesday 26 April 2023**

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 26 April 2023 against other local primary schools. Please ensure the online form is completed and submitted by Tuesday 18 April 2023.

## **KS2 Assessment week (SATs) - Week beginning 8 May 2023**

On the week beginning 8 May 2023, our Year 6 children will sit national tests in Reading, Maths and Spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPAG). These tests are both set and marked externally, and the results are used to measure the school's performance (for example, through reporting to Ofsted and published league tables). Your child's marks (usually released July) will be used in conjunction with teacher assessment to give a broader picture of their attainment.

For some further preparation for these assessments, we would like to invite all Year 6 children to attend some additional sessions, starting at 8:15, on a Tuesday and Thursday morning. Tuesday will be a Year 6 maths club and Thursday will be a Year 6 SPAG club. These will be beneficial to all children and so, where possible, we would encourage every child in Year 6 to attend. Please arrive promptly so that the sessions can begin on time. Further to these sessions, please continue to access Reading Plus at home (3-5 reads per week) to continue to develop reading comprehension knowledge.

Additionally, we have arranged a Parent Forum on Tuesday 18 April 2023 at 8.50am with Mr Craven. This will be an opportunity for parents and carers to ask any SATS-related questions that you may have.

### Key dates:

Below are the key dates for assessment week. More information will be provided nearer to the time about specific arrangements for the week.

Monday 8 May	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 9 May	SPAG paper 1 (Punctuation & Grammar) (45 minutes) SPAG paper 2 (spelling) (20 minutes)
Wednesday 10 May	Reading paper (60 minutes)
Thursday 11 May	Maths Arithmetic paper 1 (30 minutes) Maths Reasoning paper 2 (40 minutes)
Friday 12 May	Maths Reasoning paper 3 (40 minutes)



### **Year 6 ~ Bikeability (Cycle Training) ~ May 2023**

Just a reminder that Year 6 will be taking part in Bikeability sessions on Monday 22 and Tuesday 23 May 2023. They will need to have a bike in good working order and suitable for riding on the road. Helmets are also compulsory. Please take the opportunity over the Easter break to make sure your child's bike is safe to ride. An M Check sheet is included below, which details what you need to check to ensure the bike is safe. This can also be viewed on the class website. Further details and consent will be issued after the Easter holiday.

### Helmet Check

Ensure helmets fit tightly around the circumference of the head and the strap is secure below the chin, with enough room for two fingers between the strap and the chin.

### Bike Check

Before you set off on any ride, check all bikes in the group are in good working order. Remember your ABC: A – air, B – brakes, C – chain.

- Brakes – check the front brake by rolling the bike forward and applying the brake. The bike should stop quickly. Ensure you can fit two fingers between the brake lever and handlebar. Roll the bike backwards to check the rear brake.
- Tyres – squeeze the sidewall of the tyre to check the air pressure. There should be no give and the tyre should feel solid.



# THE M CHECK



**Make sure your bike is safe to ride,  
follow The M Check.**



## **LSA Bake Sale ~ Monday 27 March 2023**

Thank you to everyone who baked and/or bought cakes/buns at the LSA Easter Bake Sale on Monday. You helped raise £110.00 towards school funds.



## **LSA Bingo Night**

Our Bingo Night was a huge success on Wednesday – thank you to all those children who came along to support this event.

Photos and confirmation of the amount raised will be available in the next edition of our Friday News.



## **Bag2School Collection ~ Thursday 20 April 2023**

The next Bag2School Collection will be held on Thursday, 20 April 2023. If you are having a 'spring clean' over the Easter holidays, remember to save 'good quality' unwanted items for re-use to raise money for school. Bags from Bag2School were sent home via bookbags yesterday but you can also use your own bin bag(s). Remember the more bags you send to school, the more the school will earn!

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

### LSA Meeting ~ Monday 15 May 2023

The next LSA meeting will take place at The Hare & Hounds in Lothersdale at 7.30pm on Monday 15 May 2023. Everyone is welcome to come along.

Welcome  
to the  
Lothersdale  
SCHOOL  
OFFICE

Telephone:  
01535 632510  
Email:  
lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk

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>

The school office has been extremely busy over the last few weeks as Mrs Ellison has been supporting the school leadership team, as well as keeping up with the general day to day demands. Thank you for supporting us during this busy period.

### Legends Before and After School Club

Thank you to those parents/carers who responded to last week's message regarding childcare vouchers.

The booking system has now been set up and is ready to take bookings. All the information about our new **Legends** Club is documented in our parent handbook, which has been emailed to all parents/carers today. If you wish to use the **Legends** Before and After School Club, please ensure you read the handbook and download the School Gateway app to allow you to book sessions for your child.



We would like to welcome the following **Legends'** staff to the Lothersdale Staff Team and we wish them all the best during their time at Lothersdale Primary School:

Mrs Deborah Lowcock  
Mrs Nicola Dyson  
Miss Elizabeth Sydorenko  
Mrs Fiona Twigg



This is a completely new venture for the school and we hope that parents, children and school staff will easily adapt to this new arrangement. We are fully committed to providing before and after school childcare within Lothersdale Primary School and would ask that you bear with us in during the first few weeks as we all find our feet!

Please note that the **Legends'** entrance is at the front of school near Class 4 and this is the only entry and exit point for the club (unless in an emergency). We would kindly ask that parents/carers dropping off, or picking up, children from **Legends**, do not use the main school entrance.

#### 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.*

#### Stepping Stones Nursery & Kids Club

Please find attached flyer regarding Stepping Nursery for your information.

#### 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:

- |                            |   |
|----------------------------|---|
| <b>Fri 31 Mar 2023</b>     | - Last Class 2 swimming lesson this academic year<br>- School breaks up at 3.15pm for the Easter holidays |
| <b>Mon 17 Apr 2023</b>     | - Staff Training Day  |
| <b>Tue 18 Apr 2023</b>     | - School re-opens at 8.40am for the summer term   |
| <b>Wed 19 Apr 2023</b>     | - Year 4 Eshton Grange Parents' Information Evening   |
| <b>Thu 20 Apr 2023</b>     | - LSA Bag2School Collection   |
| <b>Wed 26 Apr 2023</b>     | - Y3/4 Maths Challenge at SCS (selected pupils)   |
| <b>Thu 27 Apr 2023</b>     | - Class 3 visit to Cliffe Castle  |
| <b>Mon 1 May 2023</b>      | - May Day Bank Holiday  |
| <b>Mon 8 May 2023</b>      | - Coronation Bank Holiday   |
| <b>Tue 9 to Fri 12 May</b> | - Year 6 SATs   |
| <b>Wed 10 May 2023</b>     | - Y3/4 Cricket Festival TBC   |
| <b>Wed 17 May 2023</b>     | - Class and Year 6 Leavers' Photos  |
| <b>Thu 18 May 2023</b>     | - Y5/6 Cricket Festival TBC   |
| <b>Mon 22 May 2023</b>     | - Y6 Bikeability Training – Day 1   |
| <b>Tue 23 May 2023</b>     | - Y6 Bikeability Training – Day 2   |
| <b>Wed 24 May 2023</b>     | - Y5/6 Forensic Science event at SCS (selected pupils)  |
| <b>24 to 26 May 2023</b>   | - Year 4 Residential Visit to Eshton Grange   |
| <b>Fri 26 May 2023</b>     | - School breaks up at 3.15pm for the May half-term holiday  |
| <b>Mon 5 Jun 2023</b>      | - School re-opens at 8.40am for the second half of the summer term  |
| <b>Mon 12 Jun 2023</b>     | - Parent Forum in school at 8.45am  |



# stepping stones

## nursery & kids club



### NOW TAKING BOOKINGS FOR 2023/24!

We have funded places available for all qualifying 2, 3 and 4 year olds!



### OUR NURSERY

We are based at Cononley Institute, right in the heart of our beautiful village. We welcome children into nursery from the age of 2 from all local villages, and we pride ourselves on our warm and friendly approach to education and childcare.



### WHAT WE OFFER

- An experienced, caring and professional team
- High adult:child ratios
- A wonderful village allotment
- Strong links with local primary schools
- Competitive nursery fees
- We also run the Out of School Club for Cononley School!

### OUR CURRICULUM

We aim to create a positive learning environment so that all children can thrive and reach their full potential. We want our children to be:

- Happy Learners
- Creative Thinkers
- Skilful Communicators
- Go Getters

### CONTACT US!

07916 995561  
519507@nyey.co.uk  
[steppingstones-cononley.co.uk](http://steppingstones-cononley.co.uk)

Or call in to visit us at  
Cononley Institute on  
Main Street, Cononley BD20 8LJ



### OPENING TIMES

7:45am until 5:30pm  
daily during term time

We offer flexible  
session times  
throughout the day!





**Lothersdale Primary School**  
*ensuring all pupils  
achieve their  
full potential*



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