

Lothersdale Primary School
is now closed for the
Easter holidays.

All the staff will be back
'at school' on

Monday

20 April 2020

to continue to support your
child's remote learning

*We wish all our
parents/carers and pupils a very*



Please keep safe and well

Please find detailed below headteacher updates for your information. If you have any queries regarding any of the content below, please contact the school office.

Well done to all on another week of home learning! I really hope that everyone is managing to adjust in these unprecedented times - working from home poses many challenges for us all, none more so than trying to keep the day job going whilst we have our own children at home to look after - the school staff really understand the challenges that this brings and we commend you all on your home schooling to date.

I am so impressed by what the children are managing to accomplish at the moment and I hope you enjoy seeing all the lovely photos that are included in this week's edition of the Friday News. In addition the support of the annual egg decorating activity has been 'eggcellent' - the children have once again proven to be highly imaginative and creative.

Finally, in the words of Aaron and Woody below please continue to 'Stay home and Stay safe'. Thinking of and missing you all - Mrs R x



Reading Books

Please continue with structured reading at home as follows:



Class 1, Class 2 and Class 3

'Oxford Owls E-Books' are in line with the reading schemes that the children follow in school and parents can keep selecting books at the correct reading level. Please contact the class teachers through the class emails if you need any support with this programme,

Class 4

Children in Year 5 and Year 6 should continue to access the Reading Plus programme to maintain progress and improvement in their reading skills.



Dear Class 1, it already seems such a long time since we saw you all at school! I hope you are all happy, safe and well. Mrs Gallagher and I have loved hearing about the work you have been doing at home and seeing some super photographs of you too!



The weather has been quite nice (for Yorkshire) and I know that lots of you have been out for walks with your families. At school we would have continued to spot signs of spring on our Out and About visits to the park and Lothersdale woods.



Next time you are walking can you find these 5 things?

- A bud on a tree
- A lamb in a field
- Daffodils
- Hear a bird singing
- Feel the sunshine on your face ☺



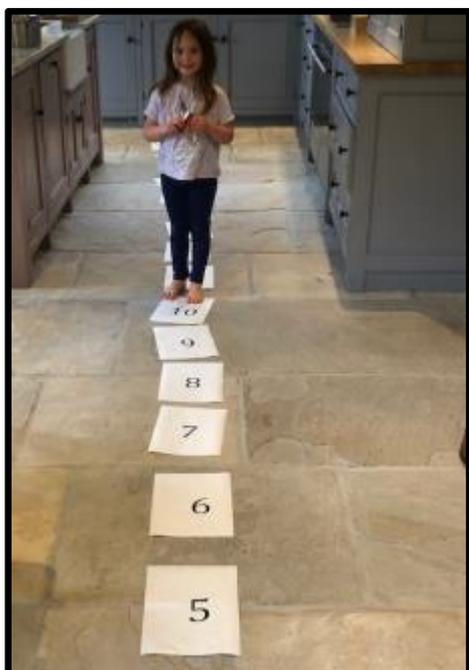
Can you remember our daffodil experiments? We had been talking about the parts of a plant and we named the roots, bulb, stem, leaves and flower (we used daffodils and our hyacinths). Then we talked about the job each part of the plants did. You all thought it was funny when we described the roots and the stem as thirsty drinking straws.

To show you this in action we put some food colouring into milk bottles and popped a daffodil (and a piece of celery) in each one. You were very surprised to see what happened to the daffodil flowers! The celery was trickier for us to see until we cut them into slices and we could see the food colouring inside.



Can you remember this and tell your family all about it? Here are some photographs which should help. Love from Mrs B and Mrs G xx

Look what children in Classes 1 and 2 have been up to this week at home!



If you need to contact Mr Craven regarding any of the work contained in your child's work pack, please email him via lothclass2@ycatschools.co.uk

Two weeks of home learning done! I'm very thankful for all the sun we had during the first week, it certainly helped me keep going and get motivated and from the many photos I received from you, it looked as though it made the first week at home a much easier task!

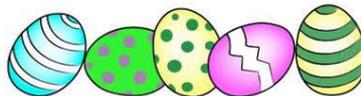


It has been fantastic to hear about all the brilliant activities you've been doing at home - congratulations to Jack W for learning to ride his bike properly without stabilisers! The pictures of work that I have been sent are all amazing and it's helpful to know the work packs are proving to be useful. I must say that handwriting looks very neat and so I expect everyone's handwriting to be that neat when you all return to school - Chloe Platt especially! I've had lots of lantern

pictures as well which all looked very carefully decorated.

I'm very impressed by you all, keep up the good work and being good for mum and dad - remember it is me who is giving you all of the work to do! I'm missing you all but all the emails and pictures have put a smile on my face. Enjoy the next couple of weeks of the Easter holidays and stay safe.

Mr Craven



Class 3 Updates
from Miss Gallagher
& Mrs Daniell

If you need to contact Mrs Gallagher or Mrs Daniell regarding any of the work contained in your child's work pack, please email them via lothclass3@ycatschools.co.uk

Firstly, thank you for sending in photos of your completed tasks or, of you working hard on your work packs. I love seeing all your faces smiling at this strange and difficult time.

In literacy you have been writing your own journey story from another culture. In class we had been reading *The Firework Maker's Daughter* and this has helped you to think about where your story could be set and what journey your character could go on. Last week, you completed your branching databases on Purple Mash and they were great. You included some great yes and no questions and sound clips too - I really enjoyed logging onto Purple Mash to see them!

This week you were set a design and technology project following on from the science learning at the beginning of term. You designed, built and evaluated your own torches by applying your electricity knowledge to build a series circuit to make the bulb light up. Take a look at some of your finished products. Well done everyone in Class 3 - I am very proud of you all!

Finally a huge well done to Mollie M who successfully lambed her first sheep this week too.

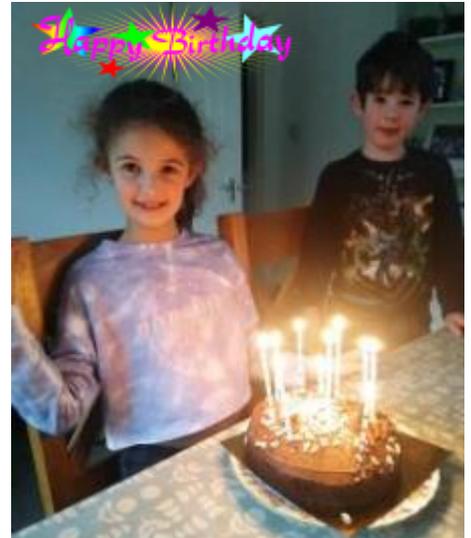
Please continue to take care and stay safe.

Miss Gallagher



We hope you are all keeping well and are managing to adjust to home working and learning. It has been lovely to receive the emails giving details of individual accomplishments and being able to view the Power points and the photographs has given us an insight into your first two weeks at home - keep them coming in please!

Year 5 have been working hard calculating percentages of amounts and consolidating their knowledge whilst establishing the area and perimeter of rectilinear shapes, in addition to maintaining their ability to work accurately and at speed through arithmetic questions. Likewise, the children in Year 6 have completed a daily arithmetic workout alongside reasoning and problem solving scenarios, in which they have applied their previously gained mathematical knowledge and skills.



Year 5 have continued to read our class text 'Wonder' and have completed associated pieces of writing, drawing upon their grammatical knowledge and features of different genres of writing. Year 6 have consolidated their learning of grammar and the different domains in the reading comprehension and they too will return to using 'Wonder' as a stimulus for their writing after the Easter break.

We have been very impressed with the thorough and detailed research carried out as part of our locational geography topic; children having used an atlas to name the countries through which the Equator, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn and the Prime Meridian pass. Clearly, key knowledge of countries around the world is developing well. In addition to this, computing skills have been in evidence as Powerpoint presentations have been produced to illustrate the locations and differences between the Arctic and Antarctic circles. Keep up this excellent standard of work!

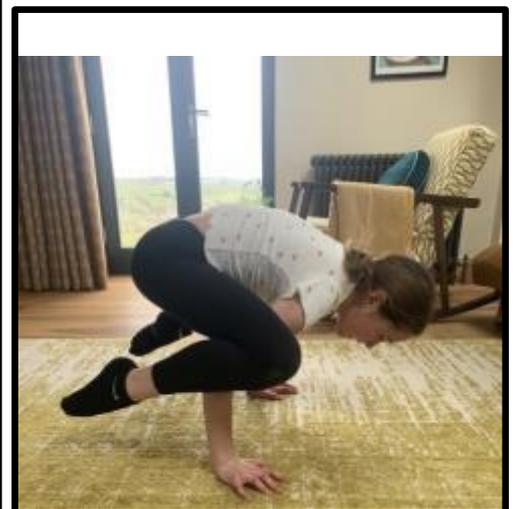
We hope you all have a fantastic Easter break and we are keeping our fingers crossed for bright and sunny days. Everything seems much easier when the sun is shining! Stay safe and take good care of each other, and we hope to see you all very soon.



Mrs Fawcett and Mrs Hill xxx



PS. George B has drawn this picture to make all his friends smile - his cousin taught him how to draw the characters!



School contact during enforced closure

If you wish to contact the school please email via the office email address (lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk)

ParentPay

Class 3 & Class 4

ParentPay have informed us that **5** accounts are now showing a deficit amount so thank you to those parents/carers who have cleared the meal arrears on their ParentPay accounts this week. If you have not yet had chance to do so, we would be grateful if you could login to your ParentPay account as soon as possible and clear any school meal arrears, particularly if your child is currently in Year 6.

Refunds

We have started the process to refund parents/carers for cancelled swimming and extended schools' sessions. ParentPay have provided us with new guidance regarding this process and we had hoped to have refunded all applicable ParentPay accounts by the end of this week. Unfortunately, due to the volume of current requests going through ParentPay from schools nationwide, this is taking longer than anticipated and we will inform you as soon as possible when all refunds have been made.

We will also be looking at meal accounts holding significant credit and we will contact you individually to confirm if you would like this credit to be refunded or retained on your ParentPay account.

Year 6 Leavers



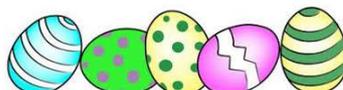
To all our Year 6 pupils ~ we haven't forgotten about you! It's the time of year when we start to think about Year 6 and preparations for the end of your time at Lothersdale Primary School.

Even though we are in unprecedented times at the moment, we are continuing with the usual arrangements, albeit remotely! We have emailed a letter to all parents/carers of children in Year 6 regarding this year's leavers' hoodies and would be grateful if you could email the reply back to the school office as soon as possible.

We will be in touch after Easter with further tasks to complete!

Remember to look on our School Website for further information on what is happening around school! New postings on our website this week are listed below:

Friday News





LOTHERSDALE DECORATED EGGS EASTER 2020

WOW! You have been extremely busy working on your decorated eggs this week and we are all very impressed with your creations.



MY MONKEY EGG
AND NHS EGG



Joe G's Egg



FLASH THE EGG
By Reo





Sam's sheep on an Easter Egg Hunt



Emily's 'Elsa' Egg



Charlotte P's GLITTER-TASTIC EGG



LIBBY'S PINK PIGLET EGG

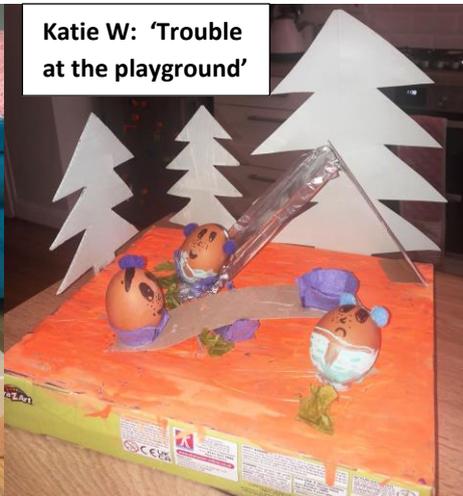


NATTY'S 'CREAM OF THE CROP' & 'BUNNY SIDE UP' EGGS





Jude's Batman egg caught by the Joker



Katie W: 'Trouble at the playground'



Alice W: naturally-dyed Easter eggs



Aiden's eggs



Joseph W's eggs – a joint collaboration with his sister



Nel's eggs



Alfie's YOSHI Eggs



George B's eggs



Evie S: eggs from her own hens!

Lucie R's egg



Teagan's egg

Jarvis & Scarlett's eggs

Tess's 'Ellie Egg Head' using flour and water



Bethan's egg

Oscar N's Star Wars Eggs

The year 6 egg-heads



Millie S & Peter's Bird Nest

Katie L's Ice Cream Eggs

Betsy's Egg Hospital





Courtney



Lily's Egg Drawing



Margot's 'Crown Jewels'



Fabi's Egg



Evelyn's Hungry Caterpillar



Georgia



Annie's Egg



Your eggs are absolutely amazing and we have been blown away by your ideas and hard work! Your enthusiasm, attention to detail and artistic techniques are excellent. Thank you to all those of you who sent in photos of your decorated eggs.

Today we have been kept very busy downloading your photos and we apologise if we have missed anyone from our Easter gallery.

Well done everyone!
HAPPY EASTER



Keeping Fit While at Home During Covid19



<https://www.gonoodle.com/>

GoNoodle gets kids up and moving to fun, engaging content and games. There are dances, yoga sessions, mindfulness activities which have all been designed as an opportunity for children to wake up their bodies, engage their minds and be their best.



<https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=joe+wicks+youtube>

Joe Wicks, otherwise known as "The Body Coach" is an English fitness coach, TV presenter and author. His fitness method uses short intense High Intensity Interval Training (HIIT) workouts. Join in "P.E With Joe" on YouTube to try and help children stay active while off school.



<https://www.teamgb.com/>

Type 'TEAM GB' into your search engine and go to videos. Here you will find lots of videos made by Team GB athletes and coaches. Some of these are more demanding and challenging than others.



<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/exercise/10-minute-workouts/>

A set of six 10 minute exercises designed to be done at home without the need of any equipment.



<https://www.bbc.co.uk/sport/get-inspired/32416767>

Lots of videos for you to follow and join in with top athletes and coaches from a variety of sporting backgrounds. These have been designed for you to do at home without the need for equipment.



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achieve their
full potential*



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