

SUMMER TERM • ISSUE 27 • FRIDAY 21 APRIL 2023



**Welcome back to school for
the start of the summer term**

Well done to this week's

Lothersdale
LEGENDS

Reception ~ **Arthur**

Year 1 ~ **Isobel**

Year 2 ~ **Sean**

Year 3 ~ **Aravon**

Year 4 ~ **Aaron**

Year 5 ~ **Oscar**

Year 6 ~ **Maisie**



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.				

Message from Mrs Walker

Executive Headteacher

Hello everyone!

Welcome to the Summer Term! I hope you and your families all enjoyed a lovely Easter break and were able to get out and make the most of the spring sunshine. It has been great to see everyone happily returning to school this week, getting settled back into their classes and routines and making a good start on their learning. We have a busy term ahead and lots to look forward to!

A key focus for us and all schools in our YCAT family this week and term is around **pupil behaviour and attitudes**, which we want to strengthen at Lothersdale via the launch of our new 'rights and responsibilities' initiative. Staff and pupils have been involved in setting this up together through training, special assemblies and discussion this week and we will be sharing more information with you soon.

I am excited to share that our brand new '**Legends' Before and After School Club** has got off to a flying start. Numbers of bookings have been high and both the children and our dedicated staff team have been enjoying lots of fun activities in and out of school, fuelled by tasty breakfast and tea snacks. There is plenty of room for more to join in at either or both before and after-school sessions – come and try it out! Please book your child's place via the School Gateway online system (please see further details in the office section of this newsletter).

Have a lovely weekend!



Headteacher Post

A letter was emailed to all parents/carers on Tuesday 18 April 2023 confirming the appointment of Mrs Melanie Tyson, who will be taking over the role of headteacher from September 2023.

The staff team are looking forward to Mrs Tyson's arrival in September and the children will also have the opportunity to meet her in school next week (on Monday 24 April 2023). She will also be available on the playground from 8.30am to introduce herself to parents/carers.

Class Teacher Post

As indicated in the headteacher appointment letter sent to parents/carers on Tuesday, interviews are taking place in school on Monday 24 April for a class teacher to start in September 2023. This vacancy has arisen as the Class 4 post, currently held by Miss Baker, was a two-term temporary appointment.

Mrs Aldren

Mrs Aldren has been offered a part-time teaching position closer to home and is therefore unable to teach Class 3 on Fridays. She will still, however, continue to support Class 2 on a Monday. We wish Mrs Aldren all the best in her new role.

Mrs Barr

We are pleased to welcome Mrs Zoe Barr to Class 3. Mrs Barr will be covering Class 3 on Fridays up until the end of the academic year.

Mrs Neil

Mrs Neil will continue her Teaching Assistant role in Class 3 whilst Miss Laycock is recovering from her leg injury.

Miss Laycock

Miss Laycock is now back in school and supporting the class teachers with assisted reading and intervention.

Work Experience Placements

Next week we are welcoming back two former Lothersdale pupils (Megan and Nancy), who will be undertaking work experience over the course of the week in Class 3 and Class 1 respectively.

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 24 April 2023

- Mon** - Deadline for confirming your child's Reception place for September 2023 intake
- Deadline for contributing towards Class 3 visit to Cliffe Castle and/or completing and submitting the online consent form
- Tue** - Year 6 maths club at 8.15am (please ensure your child arrives on time)
- Wed** - Y3/4 Maths Challenge at South Craven School (selected pupils)
- Thu** - Year 6 SPAG club at 8.15am (please ensure your child arrives on time)
- Class 3 visit to Cliffe Castle

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.

Class 1 Update

Thanks to Hayley (Frankie's mum) and Liz (Arthur's mum) for visiting Class 1 this week.

Hayley talked to the children about being a police officer. The children enjoyed trying on uniform and learning how the police help people. They remembered that 999 is the number to call in an emergency and learnt 101 was for non-emergencies. We have asked each child to find out their address and be able to tell us next week.



Liz brought in a spring lamb called Dolly from her farm and talked to the children about the care lambs need and life on the farm in spring time. The children really enjoyed meeting Dolly!



Huge thanks to both Hayley and Liz for their time and support!

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

Good luck to our team of Year 3 & 4 mathematicians, who are taking part in next week's Y3/4 Maths Challenge at South Craven School on Wednesday 26 April 2023 against other local primary schools.

Class 3 visit to Cliffe Castle ~ Thursday 27 April 2023



Class 3 are looking forward to their visit to Cliffe Castle next Thursday.

Children should arrive in school as normal for morning registration and the coach will leave promptly at 9.00am. All children will require a packed lunch (**no foods containing nuts and no glass bottles please**). Children must wear full school uniform and outerwear appropriate for the weather conditions on the day. Please note that some areas of the museum are unheated, so it is important the children have warm coats.

The school has received 80% of contributions towards this visit and require 90% to make it viable. If you have not yet made a contribution and still wish to do so, please ensure you make payment by Monday 24 April 2023. Three consents remain outstanding and we would be grateful if you could complete and submit by Monday's deadline to enable your child to take part in this visit.

KS2 Assessment week (SATs) – Additional SATS Clubs

Thank you to those Year 6 parents/carers who were able to come along to the SATs Parent Forum on Tuesday morning with Mr Craven.

Please remember that all Year 6 children are invited to attend some additional sessions to further prepare them for the SATs assessments taking place w/c 8 May 2023. The sessions are taking place as follows from w/c 18 April 2023 – the last session will be held on Thursday 4 May 2023:

Year 6 Tuesday Maths Club at 8:15am **(18 Apr, 25 Apr, 2 May)**

Year 6 Thursday SPAG Club at 8:15am **(20 Apr, 27 Apr, 4 May)**

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.



The Great Tit Family

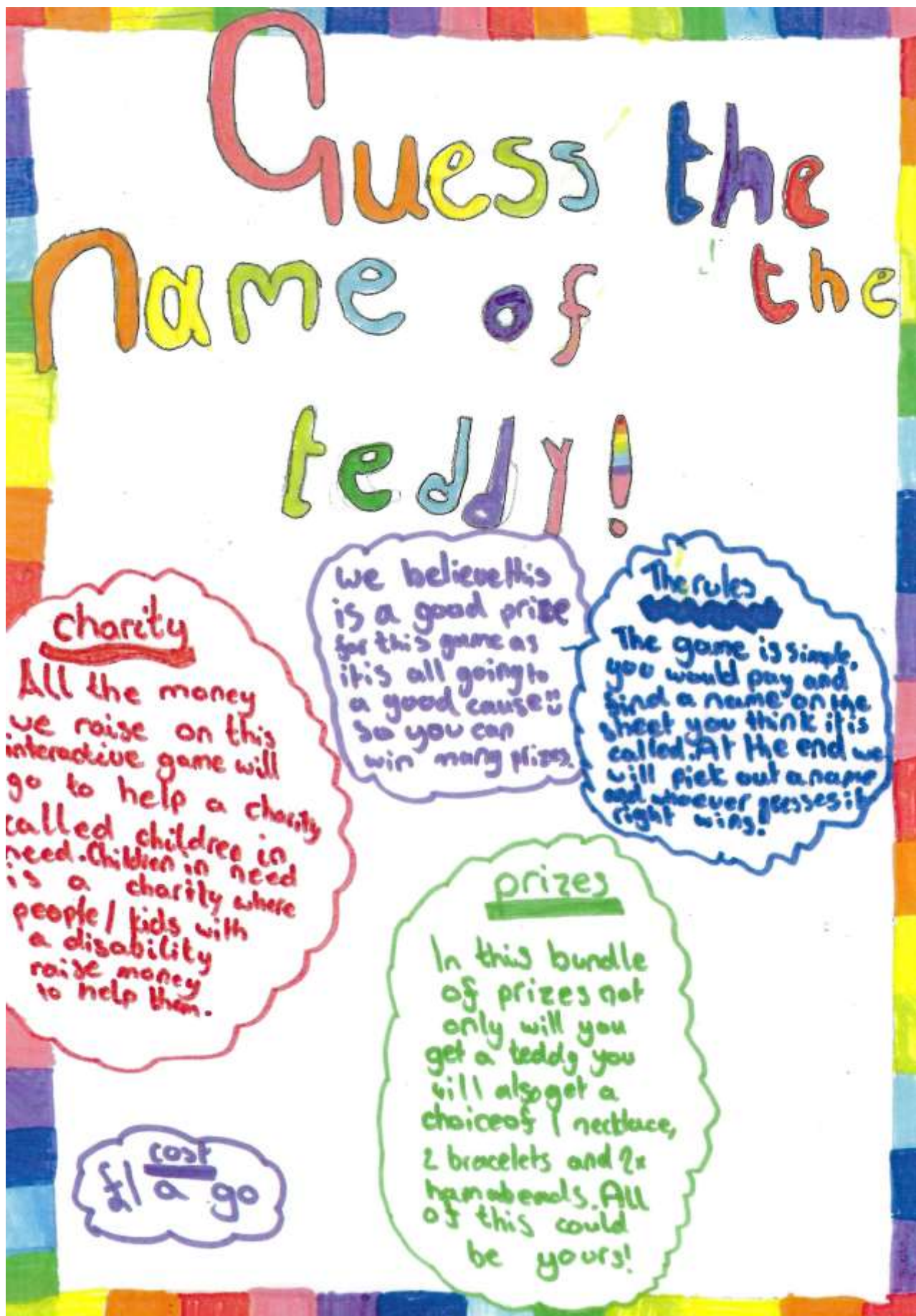
EXCITING NEWS!! Our Great Tits have made their nest over the Easter holidays and we can count eight eggs in the nest box!

We will be watching them over the next few weeks as the eggs start to hatch and they look after their brood.



Pupil Charity Initiative ~ Guess the Name of the Teddy

Evie and Violet in Class 4 are independently raising money for BBC Children in Need via a 'Guess the name of the teddy' competition. They are asking all children to make a donation of £1 to guess the teddy's name. Please help support the children with their charity fundraiser by encouraging your child to take part.





Bag2School Collection ~ Thursday 20 April 2023

Thank you to all of you who were able to support this term's Bag2School Collection yesterday.

You helped raise **£105.00** for Lothersdale School Association.

Collection dates for the next academic year will be published towards the end of this term.

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.

<p>Welcome to the Lothersdale SCHOOL OFFICE</p> <p>Telephone: 01535 632510</p> <p>Email: lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk</p>	SCHOOL OFFICE TERM TIME HOURS			<p>Visitor access into school is via prior appointment only, in line with the school's Health & Safety and Child Protection Policies.</p> <p>Please telephone the School Office during the hours listed to make an appointment to speak to a member of staff.</p> <p><i>*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</i></p>
		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	
<p>REMEMBER TO KEEP PUPIL CONTACT AND MEDICAL INFORMATION UP TO DATE!</p> <div>      </div>				

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>

SchoolGrid Meal Booking System

Just a few reminders about the SchoolGrid system.



- Please support the school kitchen by ensuring you have booked school meals via SchoolGrid, particularly following a weekend or holiday, by 8.55am. On Tuesday we had 20 children who had not been booked on to the SchoolGrid system and this was despite a text reminder on Monday. Our cook is in school first thing in a morning and she relies on the booking system to prepare the food orders.
- There is now no notice period for children wishing to switch school lunch options. Children have the option to have school dinners and/or pack ups on a daily basis. If your child normally has school dinners and would like to start having packed lunches (daily or ad-hoc), please drop us an email so that we can manage the system accordingly.

- Please ensure all school meals are paid for in advance – any accrued debts must be cleared as soon as possible in line with Dolce's terms and conditions.

Thank you for your support.

Eligibility for Free School Meals

We would like to remind parents that free school meals are available for children whose parents meet the relevant criteria. If you are in receipt of one or more of the following benefits and think you may qualify, please either ask Mrs Ellison for an application form or use the application form available via www.northyorks.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals

The relevant criteria is based on receipt of:

- income support
- income-based job seeker's allowance
- income-related employment and support allowance
- child tax credit with an income of less than £16,190 and **not** in receipt of working tax credit
- support under part VI of the immigration and asylum act 1999
- guarantee element of state pension credit.

Where parents are entitled to working tax credit during a four week "run on" period immediately after their employment has ceased, or after they have started to work less than 16 hours per week, their children are entitled to free school meals. Children who receive income support or income-based jobseeker's allowance in their own right are also entitled to free school meals.

Applications are usually processed the same day. If your child is entitled to free school meals you will receive a letter confirming the date when the meals will start.

The school is also notified that your child is entitled to free school meals. In the meantime, you should continue to pay for free school meals until confirmation comes through. School may be able to arrange a reimbursement of any monies paid whilst your entitlement is being confirmed. If you are not entitled to free school meals you will be notified in writing.



LEGENDS Before and After School Club

Thank you to all those parents/carers who have supported our new LEGENDS Before & After School Club this week. We have had a wonderful response – remember that bookings and payments are made via the School Gateway app as detailed in the parent handbook emailed out to parents on Friday 31 March 2023.

Deborah, Fiona and Nicola have been busy getting used to the new location and school procedures and we would like to say a huge 'thank you' to them for their hard work this week during the transition process.

Here are a few reminders to support you with your LEGENDS bookings:

- **Before School Session** – the deadline for booking a Before School Session is 4.30pm the previous day.
- **After School Session** – the deadline for booking an After School Session is 1.30pm on the day of the session.
- **Cancelling a session** – if you wish to cancel a session due to a change in circumstances, you can cancel using your School Gateway app by the deadlines stated above.
- **Childcare voucher payments** – the school is able to accept childcare vouchers (including the government tax free childcare scheme) as payment for LEGENDS sessions. An email was sent out to parents/carers on 24 March 2023 to determine who would like to pay via vouchers.

The reason we needed to know this in advance is because bookings made via childcare vouchers/HMRC scheme are set up differently on the system for payment purposes, which allows you to book places without physically having to pay.

If you wish to use the tax-free voucher system (or Edenred vouchers) to make future bookings and you have not informed us previously of your intention, please let us know and we will amend the system accordingly.

You must inform us when you make a payment to them, how much it is for and provide the reference number(s). We can then check the bank statement to confirm when payment goes through and credit your account accordingly.

We are currently in the process of registering the school with Edenred to support anyone accessing childcare payments through this initiative. We will confirm with those parents/carers, who have informed us they are using Edenred, as soon as this has been set up.



Welcome to **LEGENDS**

SUMMER TERM 2023

Breakfast Club
Yoga
at 7:45am

After School Club
Archery**
at 4:15pm

After School Club
Gardening*
at 4:15pm

Breakfast Club
Let's Dance!
at 7:45am

After School Club
Cookery
at 4:15pm



Monday**Tuesday****Wednesday****Thursday****Friday**

LEGENDS activity of the day!

plus arts & crafts, board games, construction and plenty of outdoor play!

Breakfast Club
7:30am to 8.40am ~ Registration, breakfast, adult led activities

After School Club
3:15pm to 3.30pm ~ Registration, fruit and drink
3:30pm to 4.15pm ~ Outdoor free play
4:15pm to 5:45pm ~ Adult led activities (includes a light tea at 4:45pm)
5:45pm to 6:00pm ~ Tidy up time!

* weather dependent / **age related (KS2) & weather dependent

School Events:

Wed 26 Apr 2023	- Y3/4 Maths Challenge at SCS (selected pupils)
Thu 27 Apr 2023	- Class 3 visit to Cliffe Castle
Mon 1 May 2023	- May Day Bank Holiday – School closed
Mon 8 May 2023	- Coronation Bank Holiday – School closed
Tue 9 to Fri 12 May	- Year 6 SATs
Wed 10 May 2023	- Y3/4 Cricket Festival TBC
Mon 15 May 2023	- LSA Meeting at the Hare & Hounds, Lothersdale at 7.30pm
Wed 17 May 2023	- Class and Year 6 Leavers' Photos
Thu 18 May 2023	- Y5/6 Cricket Festival TBC
Mon 22 May 2023	- Y6 Bikeability Training – Day 1
Tue 23 May 2023	- Y6 Bikeability Training – Day 2
Wed 24 May 2023	- Y5/6 Forensic Science event at SCS (selected pupils)
24 to 26 May 2023	- Year 4 Residential Visit to Eshton Grange
Fri 26 May 2023	- School breaks up at 3.15pm for the May half-term holiday
Mon 5 Jun 2023	- School re-opens at 8.40am for the second half of the summer term
Wed 7 Jun 2023	- New Reception Transition morning (in the park) – Week 1
Wed 7 Jun 2023	- KS2 Rounders Festival at South Craven School
Mon 12 Jun 2023	- Parent Forum in school at 8.45am
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



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



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