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This week's

Lothersdale Legends

have been awarded to:

Reception ~ Ella Baldwin
Year 1 ~ Felicity Bradley
Year 2 ~ Woody Smith
Year 3 ~ James McGarrell
Year 4 ~ Alice Weekes
Year 5 ~ Georgia Walton
Year 6 ~ James Hirst

★ YEAR 6 AWARD ★

This week's Year 6 Award goes to
OLIVER RILEY-RADCLIFFE

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2 – 5 MAY 2019

*Have a great
Bank Holiday weekend!*

~ School reopens on Tuesday 7 May 2019 ~

EXTENDED SCHOOL'S ACTIVITIES ~ w/c 6 May 2019				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
School closed for May Day Bank Holiday	Lego Club 12.30 - 1.00pm	Drama KS1 & KS2 3.30 - 4.30pm	Art Club 3.15 - 4.15pm	Mindful Club 12.30 - 1.00pm
	Gardening Club 3.15 - 4.00pm	Advanced Running Club 3.15 - 4.15pm	Supersports 3.15 - 4.15pm	Football 3.15 - 4.15pm
	Rounders 3.15 - 4.15pm			Mini Olympics 3.15 - 4.15pm
	Woolcraft 3.15 - 4.15pm			

Deadlines & Reminders for w/c 6 May 2019

It would be really helpful if requested reply slips/payments etc. could be returned by the stated deadlines to enable us to process the paperwork effectively this week.

- Mon** - School closed for May Day Bank Holiday
- Tue** - School re-opens for the summer term
- LSA Bag2School collection ~ please leave in the Parent Shelter before 9.30am
 - Spelling Plus at 8.30am (last session)
 - Deadline for the return of the Teddy Bear Picnic Lunch reply slip (pupils on pack ups)
 - Deadline for the return of outstanding Class 4 triathlon consent forms
 - Class 3 & Class 4 Rounders
- Wed** - Reading Plus at 8.30am
- Thu** - Numeracy Plus at 8.30am (last session)
- Year 2 Come Dine With Me (pre-booked) ~ please arrive in school at 11.55am
- Fri** - Reading Plus at 8.30am
- Deadline for sibling new Reception starters ~ decision re P.E. bag/bookbag (see below)
 - Deadline via ParentPay for payment for LSA Cinema Night
 - Deadline for return of Class 3 swim awards reply slip & payment via ParentPay
 - Deadline for the return of the Year 6 Bikeability Consent Form
 - Class 2 swimming lesson

Headteacher Updates from Mrs Robinson

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.

Mrs Kingham

Mrs Kingham would like to pass on her thanks to parents, children and staff for all the best wishes, cards and gifts she received at the end of last term. The children were fantastic and she has enjoyed her time working in class 3 during Miss Gallagher's maternity leave.

School Broadband



The new school broadband was installed in school over the Easter break, however we have continued to experience significant issues this week. We have been working closely with our ICT technicians and today the problem has been resolved and our WIFI/email system is now back up and running. Thank you for your support during this period.

Water Supply

The new borehole was successfully drilled during the Easter break and the first stage in the process of replacing the existing water supply is now complete. We are very pleased with how the contractors carried out the work and left the school site. Please note that these works have not affected the school's current water supply.

The next stage of the process will see the new water supply rigorously tested for the forthcoming weeks to identify the quality of the water and resulting water treatment needs.

The final stage will be the changeover to the new supply, with appropriate water treatment procedures in place, and we will continue to keep you updated of when this will take place.

The Governing Body Update

Please find detailed below an update from The Governing Body for your information. If you have any queries regarding any of the content below, please contact the school office.

Parent Governor

Following approximately 8 years representing the school as a Parent Governor, Julia Parker, has sadly resigned from the Governing Body from the end of her term of office on 31 July 2019. Amongst many roles she has had, Julia has made significant contributions to the health and safety aspects of the school. We would like to thank her for all her support over the years and wish her all the best for the future.

A vacancy has therefore arisen for a Parent Governor. The Governors establish, with the Headteacher, aims for the school, and take a strategic approach to the running of the school e.g. are responsible for the school's budget and the use and maintenance of the premises. If you would like more information and/or to express an interest in this position, please contact either Mrs Robinson or Mrs Ellison who will be able to talk through the role and explain more about the commitment it requires.

Final nominations need to be received in school by **Friday 17 May 2019** so that the Governors can determine whether they need to hold an election.

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.

School procedures

As we are starting a new term, we take this opportunity to remind parents/carers about our school procedures:

The start of the school day

School registration takes place at 9.00am and we would be grateful if parents/carers could ensure that all children are on the school playground to enable them to line up in their respective classes when the bell goes at 8.55am.

All gates will be closed and latched/locked by a member of staff after the children have lined up and been brought in to school in the morning.

If you drop your child off at school after 9.00am, please escort your child onto the school premises and ensure that you close/secure all gates behind you when you leave.

Communication/Queries

Our weekly newsletter can be found on the school website along with this half-term's extended schools' activity form and notes to parents/carers. If you have any queries about timings of extended schools' sessions and the forthcoming weeks activities, please use the school website as your first port of call instead of telephoning school. Due to the busy school office environment, it is not always possible for Mrs Ellison to get back to you in the time frame required.

Illness/Absence/Medical Appointments

If your child will not be in school for registration due to illness, other absence or medical appointments, please ensure you contact the school office by 8.45am at the latest on the day to enable the register to be noted accordingly.

If you leave a message on the school answer machine, please ensure you provide a reason for your child's absence.

We would be grateful if you could inform the school office if your child has a medical appointment ~ this also applies if you are collecting your child during the school day so that Mrs Ellison is aware of the time you will be coming into school to collect your child.

Please note that, in order to prevent the spread of the sickness virus around school, please do not send your child into school if they have been sick at home the night before or on the morning of school ~ *please note that children always tell us when they've been sick and we will then have to call you to pick them up!*

Making contact with class teachers before school

Lothersdale Primary School is very proud of its 'open door policy' and its strong relationship with parents/carers and families. Throughout the year there will be times when parents/carers need to talk to teachers before school when something has 'cropped up' e.g. their child is upset about something.

It is very important to us that these matters are followed up quickly and we would request that parents/carers follow the procedures below. These are in preference to waiting until the class teacher collects his/her class from the playground at 8.55am, as this can result in the teachers being late for registration and delay the start of lessons. Also, between 8.45 and 8.55am, class teachers are talking to their teaching assistants about the morning lessons and we would ask parents/carers to avoid calling into the school office and requesting to speak to teachers, or Mrs Robinson, during this time to avoid any disruption to this key part of the school day.

If you wish to speak to a class teacher, or Mrs Robinson, before school starts please either:

- **Telephone school between 8.00 and 8.15am to arrange a short face to face meeting or telephone call with a class teacher or Mrs Robinson on the same morning before school between 8.30 and 8.45am.**
- **If the query is less important, please telephone school between 8.00am and 12.00pm and leave a message for a teacher to telephone you back on the same day and answer your questions or to make an appointment to meet in school.**

Please also note that class teachers will normally be on the playground at the end of the school day and are available to talk to at this time as well.

School Uniform

May we remind parents/carers that traditional black school shoes should be worn by children in school as part of our School Uniform Policy. Please do not send children in black boots (this includes Doc Martins), trainers, fashion shoes or ballet style shoes as these are not regulated footwear suitable for everyday school life. A copy of our school uniform list is available to view on the school website.

Long Hair

May we remind parents/carers that children with long hair must have hair tied back in a ponytail/plait. Hair clips and bobbles (in the Lothersdale School colours - royal blue, black or grey) should be small and unobtrusive.

School Bookbags

If you are ordering a new bookbag for your child, please note the following:

Class 1 and Class 2 ~ large standard bookbag (*please ensure the strap is removed*)

Class 3 and Class 4 ~ large standard bookbag with strap

The above bookbags form part of the school's uniform policy and no other type of bookbag should be brought into school (ie., rucksack, flight bag, etc).

Unfortunately the school does not have the capacity to store these bags in classrooms and it therefore poses a health and safety risk. Please note that additional items of clothing/footwear for PE or after school activities must be brought in as small a bag as possible.

School Bookbags ~ New Reception September 2019

Please note that the school purchases bookbags and PE bags on behalf of parents/carers as part of the new starter welcome pack and these are payable via ParentPay. If you have a sibling starting school in September and you do not wish the school to purchase these items on your behalf, please let Mrs Ellison know by Friday 10 May 2019.

PE Sessions ~ Summer Term

Please remember that full PE kit should be in school every day during the Summer Term. Now that the majority of our PE sessions are spent outdoors, it would be beneficial if all children (Class 1 to Class 4) have a pair of trainers for these sessions. Black pumps are ideal for indoor use but not supportive enough for running and high impact PE sessions. Please make sure that all items of clothing and footwear are named and kept at school in a named school PE bag.

Our PE schedule is listed below, but there may also be other times when classes are taken out for ad-hoc PE sessions:

Class 1 - Monday ~ Tennis (Skipton Tennis Centre), Friday (Coach: Gerry)

Class 2 - Monday ~ Tennis (Skipton Tennis Centre), Friday ~ Swimming

Class 3 - Tuesday ~ Rounders (Coach: Leah), Thursday ~ Cricket (Coach: Gerry)

Class 4 - Tuesday ~ Rounders (Coach: Leah), Thursday ~ Cricket (Coach: Gerry)

Extended Schools Activities ~ Dropping off and picking up ~ Safeguarding

Now that the weather is lighter and brighter, and to help staff with safeguarding arrangements after extended school activities, please note that at the end of the extended school activity sessions, children will be brought out to the playground by the member of staff/provider as per the usual 3.15pm pick up routine. Please avoid using the main reception area at this time. Thank you for your support.

Teddy Bear Picnic Lunch ~ Thursday 23 May 2019

Please see the attached menu for the Teddy Bear Picnic Lunch, which will be held on Thursday 23 May 2019. If your child currently has a packed lunch you will have received separate information and a reply slip sent out via bookbags this week. If your child(ren) would like to have the Teddy Bear Picnic Lunch, please complete the reply slip and return to school by Wednesday 9 May 2019 to enable Mrs Varley to order the correct quantities of food.



Bag2School Collection ~ Tuesday 7 May 2019

Please remember it's our Bag2School Collection next Tuesday, so bring in your unwanted items to raise money for school. Bags should be left in the parent shelter on the morning of Tuesday 7 May 2019 ready for collection. Please note the following.

Bag2School accept the following 'good quality' items for RE-USE:

- Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags
- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Lingerie
- Socks
- Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen
- Household curtains
- Household towels
- Household bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)



They **DO NOT** accept:

- Duvets and blankets
- Pillows and cushions
- Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)
- Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing
- School uniforms with and without logo
- Corporate clothing and workwear
- Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material

Class 1 Updates from Mrs Bateman

Please find detailed below Class 1 updates from Mrs Bateman. If you have any queries, please contact the school office in the first instance.

Children in Class 1 were thrilled to see how well our new pond is doing. The frogspawn has all gone and we have LOTS of busy tadpoles to observe and learn about!

The Class 1 layout has also changed a little with a new Pet Shop role play area, a new interesting 'discovery' table (currently with fossils, shells and a sharks tooth to examine with the magnifiers and write about) and a larger creative area to paint, build, model, draw and make. We can't wait to hear and see all the good ideas and questions the children think of.

This term we are beginning to learn about money, so why not have a peep in your moneybox and see which coins you have? Can you describe them and name them?

Class 2 Updates
from
Mr Craven

Please find detailed below Class 2 updates from Mr Craven. If you have any queries, please contact the school office in the first instance.

Come Dine With Me ~ Year 2 ~ Thursday 9 May 2019

Children in Year 2 are looking forward to welcoming parents/carers, who have booked their 'Come Dine With Me' lunch on Thursday 9 May 2019 at 12 noon. Please arrive in school for 11.55am to enable us to support Mrs Varley, our cook, by starting lunch on time!

Class 2 Cookery

This half-term, Class 2 will complete their cookery lessons on Wednesday afternoons with Miss Russell and Miss Thompson.

SATS Information ~ Year 2

A Department for Education leaflet has been sent out to parents/carers via bookbags today regarding the forthcoming SATS tests for Year 2 children. Please do not hesitate to contact Mr Craven if you have any further questions.

Class 3 Updates
from Mrs King
& Miss Gallagher

Please find detailed below Class 3 updates from Miss Gallagher & Mrs King. If you have any queries, please contact the school office in the first instance.

What a lovely first week of the summer term we've all had in Class 3! This term our history topic is all about the Stone Age and the children have been learning that the Stone Age occurred a very long time ago, along with lots of new vocabulary, including Palaeolithic, Mesolithic and Neolithic.

Our swimming sessions have now finished and a letter has been sent out today regarding the distance swimming awards that the children achieved last term. Please ensure the reply slip is completed and returned to school by Friday 10 May 2019.

The children have P.E on Tuesdays and Thursdays this term and have loved their sessions with Leah and Gerry already this week.

Remember that spelling tests and KIRF tests have moved to a Friday and the spellings and facts for this half term are available on the Class 3 page of the school website.

Y3/4 Maths Challenge at South Craven School

Well done to Alfie, Isaac, Jason, Margot, Amber, Courtney, Isla and Alice W, who took part in the Maths Challenge at South Craven School against other local primary schools. Miss Gallagher was really proud of how all the children participated in the maths activities and how they enjoyed the challenges that they were given!

Please find detailed below Class 4 updates from Mrs Fawcett. If you have any queries, please contact the school office in the first instance.

Welcome back after the Easter break; we hope you all had a relaxing holiday and enjoyed the spell of glorious weather. The children have returned to school with an excellent attitude, and we've had a productive first week. We're progressing well through our geography topic, learning about the tectonic plate boundaries and subduction zones this week.

In PE, we have started our rounders training, developing our throwing and catching skills in preparation for playing team games and for the cluster competition at South Craven later in the summer term. We are also very excited to have been invited to the Brownlee triathlon in Bradford on the last day of term.

Year 6 has demonstrated an excellent work ethic this week, settling very quickly into revision sessions for the SATS tests which will take place during week commencing 13 May 2019 - we are very proud of them all. Homework routines will be different over the next couple of weeks, when short tasks will be completed with a quicker turn-around time.

At the end of the month, Year 6 will be taking part in the two day Bikeability programme, and Year 5 and 6 are looking forward to completing our next DT topic, in which we will be designing and making automaton in wood.

SATS Information ~ Year 6

A Department for Education leaflet has been sent out to parents/carers via bookbags today regarding the forthcoming SATS tests for Year 6 children. Please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Robinson or Mrs Fawcett if you have any follow up questions.

Year 6 Numeracy Plus

The current Numeracy Plus group will continue every Thursday morning as normal after the Easter break with the sessions finishing week ending Friday 10 May 2019.

Year 6 Spelling Sessions

The current Spelling group will continue every Tuesday morning as normal after the Easter break with the sessions finishing week ending Friday 10 May 2019.



Year 6 ~ Bikeability (Cycle Training) ~ May 2019

A letter and consent form has been sent out this week to all Year 6 children regarding the Bikeability sessions taking place on Monday 20 and Tuesday 21 May 2019. Please ensure the completed reply slips are returned to school by Friday 10 May 2019.

Brownlee Foundation Triathlon Event at Bradford Grammar School



The deadline for the return of the Class 4 Brownlee Foundation Triathlon event reply slips was Tuesday 30 April 2019. Please ensure outstanding consent forms are returned to school on Tuesday 7 May 2019.

School Office Information

If you have any queries regarding any of content below, please contact the school office.

Class 2 ~ Weekly Swimming Lessons ~ Summer Term

Contributions remain outstanding for Class 2 swimming lessons for the summer term first half (up to and including Friday 24 May 2019), with 65% of contributions received to date. If you have not yet made a contribution and still wish to do so, please ensure payment is made as soon as possible to enable us to meet the provider costs. No child will be excluded if his or her parents/carers do not contribute, but if insufficient voluntary contributions are received then regrettably, this activity will not continue.

Pre-admissions Register of Interest List

The school Pre-admissions Register of Interest List for a potential reception place at Lothersdale Primary School has filled up quickly for next year's September 2020 admission group. It is important that parents/carers register their interest for a reception place for their child as soon as possible (even if you live in the village) to enable us to determine potential numbers and the impact it will have on the future school roll. Please be aware that entering your child's name on this list does not constitute the offer of a Reception place.

Admission Year	Entry Date	Date of Birth Range	No. of Places Available	Registrations of Interest Received to Date
2020/2021	Sept 2020	1.9.2015 to 31.8.2016	15	16
2021/2022	Sept 2021	1.9.2016 to 31.8.2017	15 (TBC)	9
2022/2023	Sept 2022	1.9.2017 to 31.8.2018	15 (TBC)	6
2023/2024	Sept 2023	1.9.2018 to 31.8.2019	15 (TBC)	0

If you have not yet registered your interest for your child on any of the above school lists, please contact Mrs Ellison, in the School Office, on 01535 632510 or email lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk as soon as possible for a school application form. Alternatively, if you have friends or relatives of children who fall within the above categories, please ask them to contact the school office for an application form.

School Deadlines

May we remind parents/carers of the importance of returning reply slips and/or making payments by the requested deadlines. Despite text reminders, returned paperwork is still not making it back into the school office which makes it very difficult for the administrator to maintain deadlines set by other providers. We would be grateful if you could support the school in this matter. Many thanks.

School Website Updates

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

Class 3 Spellings and KIRF

Year 6 Crucial Crew photographs

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.



Keighley Women's Refuge (Bradford Women's Aid)

Please remember we are linked up with Christchurch Lothersdale to support Keighley Women's Refuge and a box is available in the main reception area for any donations you may wish to bring in towards this charity ~ this collection will be ongoing until further notice. Please feel free to place items in the box in the main reception area when you can.

The Women's Refuge provide home starter packs when the families are rehoused, which comprise the following (new) items: *Toiletries, cleaning products, cleaning equipment, kitchen equipment (eg pans, plates, mugs), food items (long life food items are ideal, eg tins and packets of food)*. If you are able to donate any of the above, they will be gratefully received. Many thanks.

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:

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| Mon 6 May 2019 | - School Closed for May Day Bank Holiday |
| Tue 7 May 2019 | - LSA Bag2School Collection |
| Thu 9 May 2019 | - Year 2 Come Dine With Me |
| w/c 13 May 2019 | - KS2 SATS Week |
| Mon 13 May 2019 | - Y3/4 Cricket Tournament at Sutton Cricket Club |
| Fri 17 May 2019 | - Class Photos and Year 6 Leavers' Photos at 9.00am |
| Mon 20 May 2019 | - Year 6 Bikeability Training (Day 1) |
| Tue 21 May 2019 | - Year 6 Bikeability Training (Day 2) |
| Wed 22 May 2019 | - Y4 Eshton Grange Parent Meeting in school at 6.30pm |
| Thu 23 May 2019 | - Teddy Bears' Picnic Lunch |
| Fri 24 May 2019 | - Y5/6 Brownlee Triathlon |
| Fri 24 May 2019 | - School breaks up at 3.15pm |
| Mon 3 Jun 2019 | - School closed for staff training |
| Mon 3 Jun 2019 | - School reopens at 9.00am |

- Tue 4 Jun 2019** - School Health: Rec & Year 6 Height and Weight Measurements
- Tue 4 Jun 2019** - New Reception class weekly transition visits start at 1.00pm
- Wed 5 Jun 2019** - Year 4 Residential Visit to Eshton Grange
- Thu 6 Jun 2019** - Year 4 Residential Visit to Eshton Grange
- Thu 6 Jun 2019** - Rec/Y1 dental health survey (children aged 5 years on the day)
- Thu 6 Jun 2019** - Y5/6 Forensic Science Event at SCS (selected pupils)
- Fri 7 Jun 2019** - Year 4 Residential Visit to Eshton Grange
- w/c 10 Jun 2019** - Year 1 Phonics Screening Week
- Tue 11 Jun 2019** - New Reception transition visit (week 2)
- Tue 11 Jun 2019** - Y5/6 Rounders Festival at SCS (selected pupils)
- Tue 18 Jun 2019** - New Reception transition visit (week 3)
- Tue 18 Jun 2019** - Y5/6 Languages Festival at SCS (selected pupils)
- Wed 19 Jun 2019** - Class 1 & Class 2 Parent Forum at 9.00am
- Thu 20 Jun 2019** - Class 3 & Class 4 Parent Forum at 9.00am
- Fri 21 Jun 2019** - Class 4 Roman Day at Yorkshire Farming Museum, Murton Park
- Tue 25 Jun 2019** - New Reception transition visit (week 4)
- Tue 25 Jun 2019** - New Reception Parents' Welcome Evening at 7.00pm
- Wed 26 Jun 2019** - Y1/2 Mini Olympics at South Craven School (selected children)
- Thu 27 Jun 2019** - Year 6 Transition Day at Ermysted's Grammar School
- Thu 27 Jun 2019** - Year 6 Transition Day at Skipton Girls' High School
- Mon 1 Jul 2019** - Year 6 Induction Day at South Craven School (Day 1)
- Tue 2 Jul 2019** - Year 6 Induction Day at South Craven School (Day 2)
- Tue 2 Jul 2019** - New Reception transition visit (week 5)
- Wed 3 July 2019** - Sports Day ~ 1.30pm
- Thu 4 Jul 2019** - Wimbledon Lunch
- Thu 4 Jul 2019** - Year 5 Day at South Craven School
- Tue 9 Tue 2019** - New Reception transition visit (week 6) and parents' school lunch
- Wed 10 Jul 2019** - Y5 South Craven Open Evening ~ Sept 2020 intake ~ 6.00pm
- Thu 11 Jul 2019** - Reserve Sports Day at 1.30pm
- Fri 12 Jul 2019** - Last Class 2 swimming lesson
- Fri 12 Jul 2019** - Extended schools activities finish
- Wed 17 Jul 2019** - Year 6 Leavers' Lunch
- Wed 17 Jul 2019** - Year 6 Leavers' Concert Dress Rehearsal at 2.00pm
- Wed 17 Jul 2019** - Year 6 Leavers' Concert and Presentation at 7.00pm
- Thu 18 Jul 2019** - Class 1 & Class 2 Leavers' Disco ~ 6.00pm to 7.15pm (with Year 6)
- Thu 18 Jul 2019** - Class 3 & Class 4 Leavers' Disco ~ 7.30pm to 8.45pm
- Fri 19 Jul 2019** - School breaks up for the summer break at 3.15pm

Community Events:

- Sat 8 Jun 2019** - Lothersdale Summer Safari Supper
- Sat 13 Jul 2019** - Lothersdale 85th Young Farmers' Show



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