

SUMMER TERM • ISSUE 30 • FRIDAY 14 MAY 2021

*Well done to this week's*



Reception ~ Lucy

Year 1 ~ Berkeley

Year 2 ~ Charlotte

Year 3 ~ Robyn

Year 4 ~ Sam

Year 5 ~ Teagan

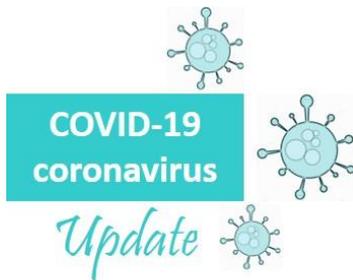
Year 6 ~ Joseph W



### Food Allergy Warning

Please remember Lothersdale Primary School is a Nut Free





On Monday 17 May 2021, we move to Step 3 of the Roadmap Out of Lockdown.

Social distancing remains in place (you should endeavour to stay 2 metres apart from anyone who is not in your household or support bubble, where possible).

In line with guidance from NYCC, we will remain in our 'bubbles' in school and continue our handwashing and cleaning regimes.

Face masks will continue to be worn by staff when moving around communal areas and where social distancing is not possible.

**Parents/Carers/Visitors should continue to wear face masks when on the school site (including the playground) and maintain social distancing in line with the school's current NYCC risk assessment.**

We are pleased to say that we are now able to take children on residential visits and therefore the Year 4 Eshton Grange visit will go ahead as planned. We have also made contact with Humphrey Head to start planning for the autumn residential for Class 4.

We are all looking forward to 21 June when we can hopefully move in to Step 4 and start to open up the school for the end of year celebrations.

## COVID-19 Restrictions in England ~ Step 3



From Monday, 17 May:

- you can meet who you like outdoors

**30+**

- but you can't meet people in a group of over 30 people.



We will look at whether it is OK to be closer to people. We will look at whether it is OK to hug people.



Restaurants, cafés and pubs will be able to serve people sitting at a table inside.



Other indoor places will also open, like cinemas, children's play areas, hotels and bed and breakfast places.



Some larger outdoor sports and shows will be able to have people watching.



Up to 30 people will be able to go to weddings, funerals and events to remember someone.

**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 23 Jun 2021** - Year 6 Bikeability ~ Day 1 (PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE)
- Thu 24 Jun 2021** - Year 6 Bikeability ~ Day 2 (PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE)
- Wed 30 Jun 2021** - Year 5 Day at South Craven School ~ **CANCELLED**

**Deadlines & Reminders for  
w/c 17 May 2021**

*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. Thank you.*

- Mon** - Class 1 & Class 2 Tennis Sessions with Skipton Tennis Centre
- Deadline for return of nomination form for a Parent Governor
- Tue** - Class 4 Reading Plus at 8.20am
- Class 3 & Class 4 Tag Rugby Sessions with Wharfedale Rugby Club
- Wed** - **Wellbeing Wednesday**
- Class Photos and Year 6 Leavers' Photos
- Thu** - Class 1 Church Visit
- Teddy Bears' Picnic Lunch
- Fri** - Class 4 Reading Plus at 8.20am
- Class 3 swimming lesson at Craven Pool (last session)

| BOOSTER CATCH UP SESSIONS ~ w/c 17 May 2021                       |  |   |
|---|--|---|
| Monday  | Wednesday  | Thursday                                      |
| <b>Y1 Fabulous Phonics</b><br>8.20 to 9.00am                      | <b>Y1 Fabulous Phonics</b><br>8.20 to 9.00am   | <b>Y4 Roaring Reasoning</b><br>8.30 to 9.00am |
| <b>Y2 Roaring Reading</b><br>8.20 to 8.50am                       | <b>Y3 Rewarding Reading</b><br>8.20 to 8.50am  | <b>Y5 Wonderful Writing</b><br>8.20 to 8.50am |
| <b>Y3 Amazing Arithmetic</b><br>8.20 to 8.50am                    | <b>Y4 Super Spellers</b><br>8.30 to 9.00am   |   |
| <b>Y4 Clever Calculations</b><br>3.10 to 3.45pm                   |  |   |
| <b>Y5 Marvellous Maths</b><br>8.20 to 8.50am                      |  |   |
| <b>Y6 Glorious Grammar/<br/>Radical Reading</b><br>3.15 to 4.00pm |  |   |

| EXTENDED SCHOOL'S ACTIVITIES ~ w/c 17 May 2021 |                                     |                                     |                                      |                                   |
|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| MONDAY   | TUESDAY                             | WEDNESDAY                           | THURSDAY                             | FRIDAY                            |
| <b>Tennis</b><br>3.05 to 4.05pm                | <b>Get Groovy</b><br>3.00 to 4.00pm | <b>Drama Y1/2</b><br>3.15 to 4.15pm | <b>Gardening</b><br>3.15 to 4.15pm   | <b>Football</b><br>3.10 to 4.10pm |
|  |                                     | <b>Drama Y5/6</b><br>3.15 to 4.15pm | <b>STEM</b><br>3.15 to 4.15pm        |                                   |
|  |                                     |                                     | <b>Supersports</b><br>3.15 to 4.15pm |                                   |

Please do not come onto the school playground - the member of staff/activity provider will unlock the main gate and bring the children out at the end of each session to ensure a safe handover to parents/carers.

Please remember to wear a face mask on the school playground and keep your distance.

***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.***

Dear Parents/Carers

I wanted to give you an update on the promised reading books which we had ordered. Two things of significance have happened with respect to this order:

- Firstly, the supplier has 'lost' the order. This is infuriating and quite unbelievable as it was a very significant order and worth a substantial amount of money to them. However, it may be a blessing in disguise...
- Secondly, a recent government announcement has forced us, and all primary schools, to rethink our approach to teaching phonics and early reading.

The government are launching a new process in order to validate complete **systematic synthetic phonics** (SSP) teaching programmes, and schools will have to choose from this list of validated programmes. Up to now, schools have had more freedom to choose how they teach phonics, so long as their results were good. Initially it was believed that schools such as ours, whose phonics results are consistently excellent, would continue to have that freedom. However, we find ourselves in a position where we have to fall in line with others and to make a choice about which SSP to buy into. There are excellent resources available to schools, and we will make a choice based on what is best for our children. Regardless of the chosen SSP, I'm sure you know that our staff will continue to give your children the best possible teaching in phonics and early reading.

The order we initially placed, prior to the government announcement, was with Rising Stars. They are a highly respected provider of educational resources, however, they do not currently have a validated SSP teaching programme. The Rising Stars SSP is due to be released this month to support their excellent range of reading books, but there is no guarantee that it will be validated by the government.

As a Trust, YCAT headteachers and phonics teachers are discussing the way forward for our schools. I will let you know when the choice has been made, and we will share details with you. Whichever SSP we choose, we will ensure it has excellent resources for parents/carers so that you can continue to support your children's learning at home.

The best news of this week came on Monday, when schools were given the green light to go ahead with residential visits. This has led to some schools furiously scrabbling around looking for availability, but not us. Thanks to Mrs Ellison's organisation and optimism, our booking for Year 4 for Eshton Grange is guaranteed. I'm sure the children will have a wonderful time, and so will the staff too!

With very best wishes



**COLUM GROGAN**

*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.*

### Parent Governor Vacancy ~ Deadline for receipt of nominations ~ Monday 17 May 2021

The Governing Body play an absolutely pivotal role in our school and our group of governors are very committed and dedicated individuals. We are looking forward to welcoming another member of our community onto the Governing Body. If you consider the role is something you feel you would like to pursue, please ensure you email the completed nomination form to school by no later than Monday 17 May 2021. If you would like any more information about the role of parent governor, please feel to call Mrs Ellison for an informal chat.



### Mental Health Awareness Week

As part of Mental Health Awareness Week, please join Kirsty from Mind Matters for Education and Beccy from Falling Stars Theatre as they take you on an emotion workout in nature.

<https://youtu.be/B5O-cpJAyda>

Click on the link above with your children to start your 10 minute journey!

### Class Photographs and Year 6 Leavers' Photographs ~ Wednesday 19 May 2021

This year's class photographs and Year 6 leavers' photographs will take place on Wednesday 19 May 2021 following morning registration. Please ensure all children are in full school uniform with regulation black school shoes (not boots) and long hair is tied back with blue/black hair bobbles. If hair clips are used, please ensure they are also in school colours and not oversized.

### Great Tit Family Update!



Today Class 1 got a big surprise when they were having their lunch because 'Cynthia Wings', our mummy great tit, moved in her nest and the children could see that a couple of eggs had hatched! Mummy great tit has spent the afternoon nurturing her new brood, whilst daddy great tit has been flying in and out of the nest bringing food.

By the end of the school day, more eggs had hatched (although we cannot tell how many!) and we are looking forward to seeing how many chicks are in the nest on Monday.

These photos were taken after school finished today - please see more photos in our photo gallery from just after lunch.

## Extended Schools' Activities ~ Summer Term Second Half



The activity flyer including notes will be emailed to parents/carers with the Friday Newsletter for extended schools' activities taking place next half-term. A copy is also available to view on the school website.

**FREE Clubs:** Please email the school office ([lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk](mailto:lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk)) by Friday 4 June 2021 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 served basis.

**STEM Club:** please note that places will be offered to children who have not yet taken part, in the first instance. We will inform you if further places will be available to children currently in the club as soon as we can.

**PAID Clubs:** the deadline for payment for children taking part in paying clubs is Friday 4 June 2021 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 during the week ending Friday 16 July 2021. The activity lists will be available to view on the school website by close of play on Monday 7 June 2021.

**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.**

## LSA Fundraiser ~ Get Moving for Marathon May

Lothersdale School Association  
**GET MOVING** for  
**MARATHON MAY 2021**

**CYCLE, WALK or RUN**  
**26 MILES**  
(or do all three!)  
during the month of May to raise money  
for Lothersdale Primary School

All you need to do is record your marathon  
journey by using pictures, GPS or writing a  
diary to show how you completed your  
marathon and get your friends, family,  
neighbours etc to sponsor you.



Thank you to our Year 3 pupil for updating us on his mission to complete 26 miles by the end of the month.

He is well on track to get the 26 miles and the sponsors are flying in! Well done!

If you are also doing the marathon at home, please remember to send us your photos to update us on your progress.

**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 (lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk).***

Class 1 have enjoyed some practical and thoughtful maths this week with Miss Newton. They have compared the capacity of different containers and used the correct mathematical language to explain their thoughts and ideas. Really impressive!

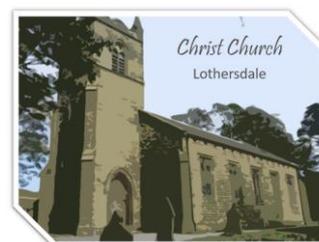
We all really enjoyed our first visit to the woods for a while. The children spotted wild garlic using their 5 senses and planned a garlic bread cookery session using locally sourced wild garlic leaves and flowers (when they come out). They used wonderful teamwork to build a new nest to sit in and imagined what a bird would think of their handywork!

We saw a sneaky squirrel heading towards our giant nest and Mrs B got an extra surprise when a bird flew out of the bird hide (narrowly missing her head) from its tiny nest inside.

As you can imagine, the children in Class 1 are still fascinated by their local wildlife. Perhaps we have a class full of naturalists! During Mental Health Awareness Week, our connection to nature has certainly been a special theme for us.

**Class 1 Visit to Christ Church, Lothersdale ~ Thursday 20 May 2021**

Next Thursday morning, Class 1 will be walking up to the church to meet Reverend Collings. We will be talking about the celebrations we have been learning this year and hopefully Reverend Collings will tell us about her favourite celebrations!



Please ensure your child has clothing and footwear appropriate for the weather conditions on the day. A hat and named suncream is recommended if sunny weather is forecast.

**Class 1 PE Lessons ~ Summer Term**

Our PE lessons for this term will be:

Monday - Tennis with Skipton Tennis Centre

Friday - Multiskills with Gerry

**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 (lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk).***

Thankfully, logging on to the new school laptops has been mastered and our computing work has been brilliant. This week we have been designing our own algorithms on Purple Mash to bring our characters to life. The children have loved designing their backgrounds and choosing characters for their programme. I have seen some very creative imaginations.

In maths we have continued to deepen our knowledge of missing numbers and the children have developed brilliant fluency. Reading continues to be a big focus and the children are working hard to answer a range of questions on some tricky texts. Please keep reading regularly at home as it really will have a positive impact on your child's learning.

**Class 2 PE Lessons ~ Summer Term**

Our PE lessons for this term will be:

Monday - Tennis with Skipton Tennis Centre

Thursday - Multiskills with Gerry

**Class 3 Updates**  
from  
Miss Gallagher & Mrs Daniell

*Please find detailed below Class 3 updates from Miss Gallagher & Mrs Daniell. If you have any queries, please contact the school office in the first instance (lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk).*

This week has all been about mental health awareness with a theme of nature and following that Class 3 have written their own narrative poems about the natural world. They have tried incredibly hard to use rhyme, rhythm and similes to tell their story in poetry form (which is very difficult!)

We have also finished our history topic too. We've used the laptops this week to research Iron Age hill forts.

Next week we will be moving onto our computing coding topic which I know the children will love.

I hope you have a lovely weekend and fingers crossed for some sunshine.

Miss Gallagher and the Class 3 Team



### **Year 4 Residential Visit to Eshton Grange ~ 26-28 May 2021**

We are all thrilled that our Year 4 residential visit to Eshton Grange can take place and are now in the final stages of preparations. The trip has been planned in accordance with the Stage 3 Roadmap Out of Lockdown regulations, DfE guidance and NYCC risk assessments and we hope all the children are looking forward to a wonderful three days in the Dales! We still have a few consent forms outstanding and a text reminder has been sent out. It is important that this form is received as soon as possible to enable us to complete our own risk assessments and paperwork and we would be grateful for all outstanding forms to be returned by Monday 17 May.

### **Class 3 PE Lessons ~ Summer Term**

Our PE lessons for this term will be:

Tuesday - Tag Rugby with Hedley

Friday - Swimming

**Class 4 Updates**  
from  
Mrs Fawcett

*Please find detailed below Class 4 updates from Mrs Fawcett. If you have any queries, please contact the school office in the first instance (lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk).*

What a fabulous week we've had! As always, Mr Grogan and I have been incredibly impressed with the mature approach children have demonstrated towards their work. Year 5 have continued to study decimal numbers, applying their knowledge to reasoning and problem solving; Year 6 have focused on ratio and unequal sharing and have solved reasoning and problem-solving examples.

In English we have continued with the reading domains work, and again, have applied this knowledge to several short texts this week.

Our geography work has focused on reading and interpreting Ordnance Survey maps, before moving on to our study of the structure of the Earth and continental drift. Our next step is to locate and name the World's tectonic plates.

Have a fabulous weekend, and we look forward to seeing you on Monday,



## Year 6 ~ Bikeability (Cycle Training) ~ June 2021 (CHANGE OF DATE!)

Due to unforeseen circumstances, Go Velo have had to re-schedule the Year 6 Bikeability Cycle training from May to June. The training will therefore now take place on Wednesday 23 June and Thursday 24 June 2021. All children will need to have a bike in good working order and suitable for riding on the road. Helmets are also compulsory.

### Class 4 PE Lessons ~ Summer Term

Our PE lessons for this term will be:

Tuesday - Tag Rugby with Hedley

Friday - Cricket with Gerry

#### School Office Information

*If you have any queries regarding any of content below, please contact the school office (lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk).*

### Sales of Suncream

Please remember the school has a supply of new, unused Nivea suncream, which can be purchased through school to raise money for school funds.



Orders can be placed via your child's ParentPay account but please note that stocks are limited.

### Lothersdale Primary School Nominated Charity

Please remember that school is raising money for Manorlands this academic year and repeat payments can be made via your ParentPay account. Thank you for your continued support.



#### 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

Extended Schools' Activities Flyer

#### 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.*



### LOTHERSDALE Out of School Club

**Lothersdale Community Out of School & Holiday Club** is run by a team of professional, qualified & dedicated Carers. We are a non-profit-making organisation, offering affordable, secure and enjoyable play care. We aim to provide children with a range of play activities, which they can choose for themselves, and the opportunity to relax and be with friends out of school.

Please check out the new website by clicking on the following link for more information.

<https://lothersdaleoutofschoolclub.co.uk/>

Please also take a moment to complete the questionnaire about the OOSC, particularly if you have any ideas about how the OOSC staff can improve their offer and make the club more appealing to more children.

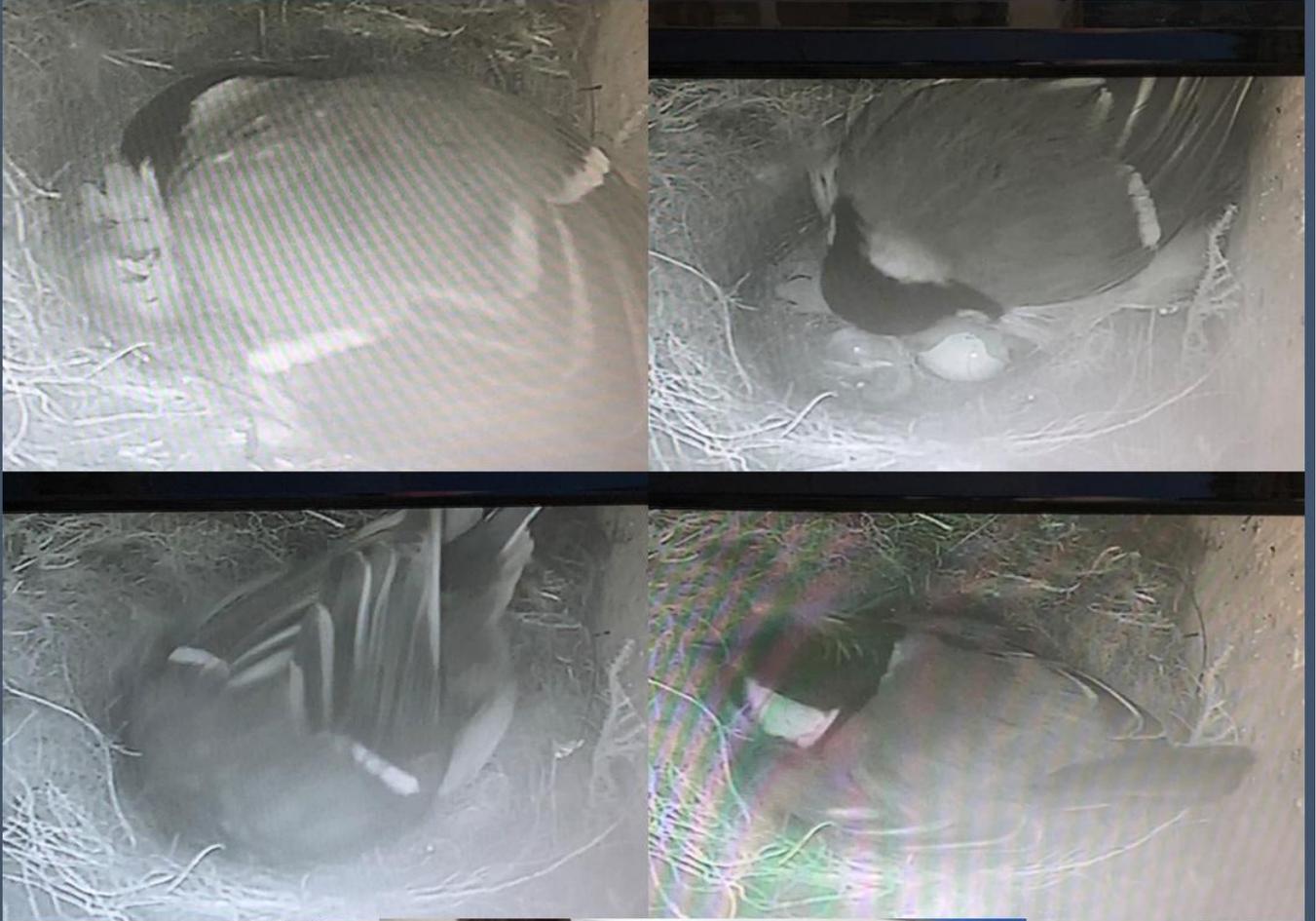
*If you wish to promote a community event in our diary below, please contact the school office. Please note there may be circumstances in which these dates are subject to change:*

**School Events:**

- Wed 19 May 2021** - Class Photos and Year 6 Leavers' Photos
- Thu 20 May 2021** - Teddy Bear's Picnic Lunch
- Thu 20 May 2021** - Class 1 Church Visit
- Fri 21 May 2021** - Last Class 3 swimming lesson this term
- Wed 26 May 2021** - Year 4 Eshton Grange Residential – Day 1
- Thu 27 May 2021** - Year 4 Eshton Grange Residential – Day 2
- Fri 28 May 2021** - Year 4 Eshton Grange Residential – Day 3
- Fri 28 May 2021** - Deadline for entries for Ilkley Literature Festival Children's Poetry Competition
- Fri 28 May 2021** - School breaks up at 3.15pm for May half-term
- Mon 7 Jun 2021** - School closed for Staff Training
- Tue 8 Jun 2021** - School re-opens after the half-term break
- Tue 8 Jun 2021** - New Reception class weekly transition visit (Lothersdale Park) – Group A (WK1)
- Tue 15 Jun 2021** - New Reception class weekly transition visit (Lothersdale Park) – Group B (WK2)
- Tue 22 Jun 2021** - New Reception class weekly transition visit (in school) (WK3)
- Wed 23 Jun 2021** - Year 6 Bikeability – Day 1
- Thu 24 Jun 2021** - Year 6 Bikeability – Day 2
- Tue 29 Jun 2021** - New Reception class weekly transition visit (in school) (WK4)
- Thu 1 Jul 2021** - Wimbledon Lunch
- Thu 1 Jul 2021** - Year 5 Open Evening at South Craven School (September 2022 intake) (TBC)
- Fri 2 Jul 2021** - KS2 Sporting Extravaganza at Sandylands Sports Centre
- Mon 5 Jul 2021** - South Craven School – Year 6 Induction Day 1 (TBC)
- Tue 6 Jul 2021** - South Craven School – Year 6 Induction Day 2 (TBC)
- Tue 6 Jul 2021** - New Reception class weekly transition visit (in school) (WK5)
- Thu 8 Jul 2021** - Sports Day ~ 1.30pm
- Thu 8 Jul 2021** - LSA Summer Fair ~ 3.15pm (following on from Sports Day)
- Tue 13 Jul 2021** - New Reception/Parents' Lunch at 12.00pm
- Tue 13 Jul 2021** - New Reception class weekly transition visit (in school) (WK6)
- Tue 13 Jul 2021** - New Reception Parents' Welcome Evening in school at 7.00pm
- Thu 15 Jul 2021** - Reserve Sports Day at 1.30pm
- Fri 16 Jul 2021** - All Extended Schools' Activities finish today
- Fri 16 Jul 2021** - All Booster Catch Up Sessions / Reading Plus finish today
- Tue 20 Jul 2021** - Year 6 Leavers' Concert Dress Rehearsal at 2.00pm
- Tue 20 Jul 2021** - Year 6 Leavers' Concert and Presentation at 7.00pm
- Wed 21 Jul 2021** - Class 1 & Class 2 Leavers' Disco ~ 6.00pm to 7.15pm (with Year 6)
- Wed 21 Jul 2021** - Class 3 & Class 4 Leavers' Disco ~ 7.30pm to 8.45pm
- Thu 22 Jul 2021** - Year 6 Leavers' Lunch
- Fri 23 Jul 2021** - School breaks up for the summer at 3.15pm

**Community Events:**

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This week's  
**PHOTO  
GALLERY**





Lothersdale Primary School  
**SUNCREAM FOR SALE**

All proceeds go towards school funds



**£2.80**  
 Protect & Dry Touch  
 Invisible  
 Extra Water  
 Resistant 50 Spray



**£2.80**  
 Protect & Moisture  
 Water Resistant 50  
 Spray



**£2.80**  
 Kids Protect & Care  
 Extra Water  
 Resistant 50+  
 Lotion



**£2.80**  
 Kids Protect & Care  
 Extra Water  
 Resistant 50+ Spray



**£2.80**  
 Protect & Moisture  
 Water Resistant 30  
 Spray



**£2.80**  
 Protect & Moisture  
 Water Resistant 20  
 Spray



**£2.80**  
 Protect & Moisture  
 Water Resistant 15  
 Spray



**£2.00**  
 NEW  
 After Sun Lotion



**£1.50**  
 Kids Protect & Care Pocket  
 Size 50+ Suncream 50ml

All the above are 200ml bottles unless otherwise stated. Limited stock is available ~ please refer to your ParentPay account if you wish to make a purchase.

Many thanks.

**We must  
keep on protecting  
each other.**



**HANDS**



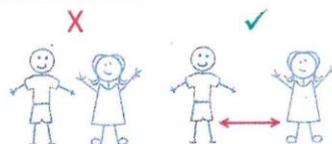
**FACE**



**SPACE**



**LOTHERSDALE  
Primary School**



*'Lothersdale leaves lots of legroom'  
to keep us safe!*

## **PLEASE HELP US KEEP SCHOOL SAFE:**

- **Please follow all instructions**
- **Face coverings must be worn on the school site**
- **Use the ONE WAY SYSTEM when dropping off and collecting children**
- **Keep your distance**
- **Please don't crowd the school entrance/exit**
- **No entry to the school building without a prior appointment**

Thank you



for

your support



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



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