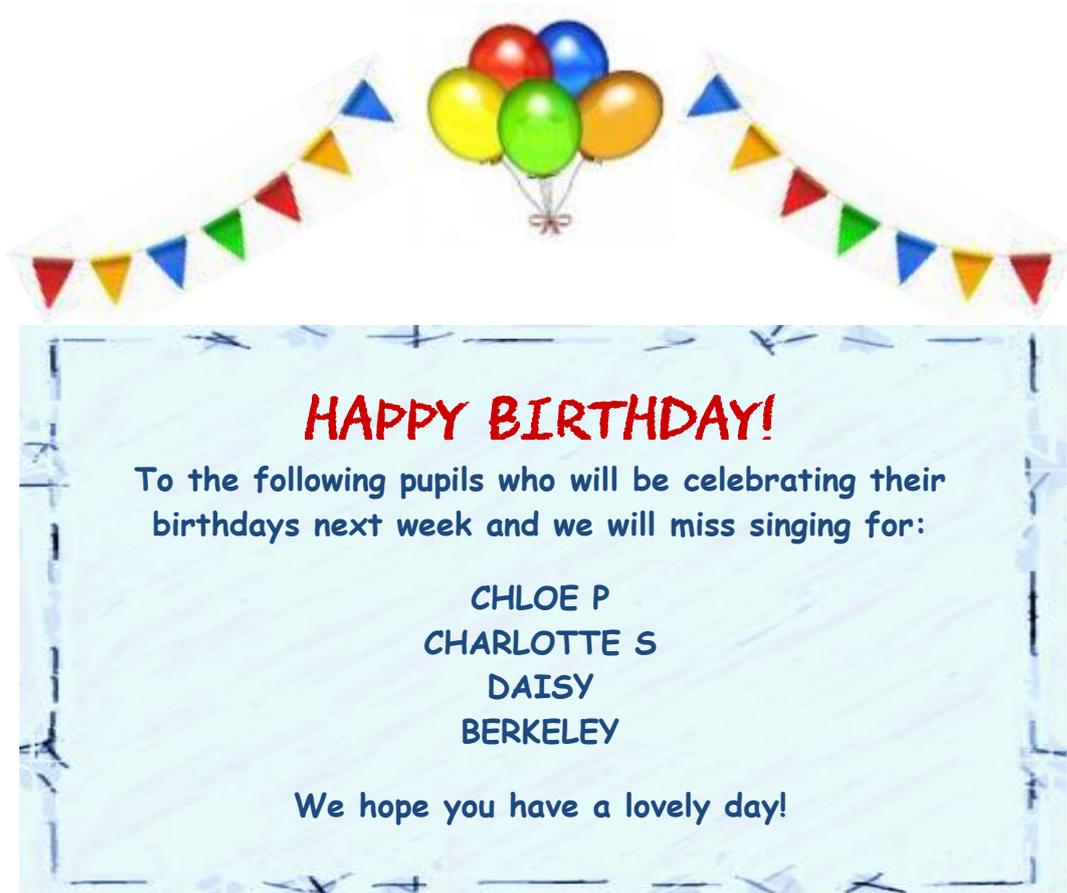


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*Please find detailed below headteacher updates for your information. If you have any queries regarding any of the content below, please contact the school office.*

### Dear Parents/Carers

Following the Government announcement last night I can confirm that school will be opening for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6, in addition to Key Worker's children, on Monday 1 June.

All the staff are really looking forward to seeing these groups of children at school on Monday, however we are all very sad that we cannot welcome all children back and I have tried in my message below to explain to the children, in a simple child-friendly way, why this is the situation.

I hope the Parent Information booklet that I sent home last Friday has been useful to all to support your understanding of the new routines and procedures that we have needed to put in place at this time to assist social distancing in school (a hard copy of the booklet has been enclosed in the new work packs for Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 children). Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require further clarification of any of the points over the weekend via [lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk](mailto:lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk).

Please specifically remember that we have new set drop off and pick up times for each group of children and it is essential that parents do not come onto the school site prior to the times listed below:

Group	Drop Off Time	Pick Up Time
Year 6 and Key Worker's children	Between 8:45am & 8:55am	Between 3:30pm and 3:40pm
Year 1	Between 9:00am & 9:10am	Between 3:15pm and 3:25pm
Reception	Between 9:15am & 9:25am	Between 3:00pm and 3:10pm

For parents of children in the year groups that are not able to return to school on Monday and those who have chosen for their child in Reception, years 1 and 6 not to return at this time, it is very important to me that you know that our staff team is very committed to the continuation of high quality work packs and supporting you in home learning as best as we can. Please continue to use the class emails to share work, photographs and ask questions, and teachers will get back to you as soon as they can. In addition once we have established our new routines in school next week the teachers are planning to post a daily video of themselves talking about the learning tasks and answering questions from the children etc. which can be watched at home in the morning.

Planning for the phased reopening of school has been very challenging at times over the last three weeks and I have been very grateful to all the staff and governors for their positivity and support. Embedded at Lothersdale School is a 'can do' attitude and as we move forward into this phase of wider reopening we are all naturally anxious, but I know together as a team we 'can do this' in a considered, measured and as safe a way as possible. Please note that I will be reviewing all of our new procedures regularly and will keep parents/carers updated of any changes and developments in government guidance as soon as I receive them.

Finally, thank you for the messages of support that the school has received over the past couple of weeks - they really do mean a lot and are greatly appreciated by the whole staff team.

Sending my very best wishes to all families - enjoy the sunshine!

**x Mrs Robinson x**

**Dear Children,**

I really hope that you're all having a wonderful half term week in this beautiful weather that we're having? I imagine that paddling pools have been filled up and that there's been ice creams and ice lollies in the garden to help keep you all cool in the warm sunshine. So far I've managed some lovely walks in the evening sunshine when it's cooler to take Maisie out and also an afternoon in the garden planting up some bedding plants. Hopefully I'll be doing more of the same over the weekend.

The next work packs from your teachers were all put out in the parent shelter on Wednesday for mums and dads to collect and before they went outside I put a Lothersdale legend certificate in each and every one of them. Please don't forget to get mum or dad to fill it in for you telling me something that you've done that you're all most proud of at this time (you could even stick a photo on the certificate too) and then send me a photograph of you holding your certificate (via your class email) so that I can share your achievements with your friends in the Friday News.



I thought it might be helpful if I tried to explain what is happening about school at the moment. It has been a very confusing time and I am sure some of you will have listened to things on the news and had chats with mum and dad.

So firstly, if you have not been in school since March 23<sup>rd</sup>, please let me tell you how much all the staff are missing you. How could school be the same without you? You make the school what it should be, a place filled with children learning, laughing and sharing together.

At the moment of course, with this horrid virus we have to be extra careful don't we? This means that we have had to look really carefully at the space we have in school and how we can all fit in it, keeping you all two meters apart. So I have measured classrooms and looked at corridors to decide how many children we could fit in and I have found out that we can only fit between 12 and 15 children in each classroom to keep safe at this time.

The Government has sent some instructions to every school to explain how they would like schools to open on 1 June and which Year groups can come in first. This is why Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 are the first groups to be invited back. We do have a small group of other children in school and they are mostly the children whose parents have jobs which care for us, our animals, keep us and people we love safe or help to feed us. In fact, there are so many people we rely on, it's hard to mention everybody, but have a think about who has come to your house lately to bring something you need. I will start you off - refuse collectors, postmen/postwomen, food deliveries, package delivery drivers..... I bet you can think of lots more.

All this means that we can only invite so many children back to school but it is not because we don't want you back in school - we do!!!! But, we have to make sure it is as safe as possible for everybody and follow the government's instructions.

Anyway, I have talked long enough (like I do!), but enjoy yourself for the rest of this week and as always be kind and thoughtful to others, keep as safe as you can and remember you are all missed by all of us and it will be lovely when things are back to normal.

Lots of love  
x Mrs Robinson x



## School and Home Learning Work Packs

Work packs for the first three weeks of the next half term are in the parent shelter awaiting collection if you have not already done so. Please ensure work packs are collected by **Sunday 31 May** even if your child may be in school following the wider opening of school on 1 June.

All children returning on Monday **must** bring their work packs with them as they will form the basis of the learning in school.

Please note that the parent shelter will be out of use from 1 June due to the safety measures put in place around school so parents will not be able to collect the work packs during the school day after Sunday.

## Reading Planet



Login details for Reading Planet have been sent out with Work Packs this week. Please note that the Lothersdale Centre ID is 203938, however, if you are using an email address to login, you do not need to enter the Centre ID.

Log in ~ [my.risingstars-uk.com](http://my.risingstars-uk.com)

## Spellzone

All parents/carers should have now signed up your child/children to the Spellzone programme as this forms part of our learning from Monday 1 June and the existing code detailed in last week's Friday News has now expired. Please contact your class teacher via the class email address if you have missed the deadline.



## 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.



**Class 2 Updates**  
from  
Mr Craven

*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](mailto:lothclass2@ycatschools.co.uk)*

**Dear Class 2**

I hope you have all managed to have a lovely week. Once again the weather has been amazing!

I hope you are all continuing to find the work packs useful. The photographs of Sunflowers have been brilliant and I'm very happy to see them growing - they will love the sunshine even more than I do!

Your new work packs for the next three weeks recap our work on time, followed by some development of our four calculations knowledge. Both are so important. This will mean we can then start the final four weeks preparing for next year. In writing, you are all going to be doing some work around a new text which you will find in your work packs. This style of English learning is something you all enjoy in school so I hope it is just as enjoyable at home!

Keep working hard and having fun!

**Mr Craven**

x

**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](mailto:lothclass3@ycatschools.co.uk)*

**Hello Class 3**

This work pack is a little different to what you've had in the past. There may seem a lot more to do but please keep going with it and always try your hardest as you would do in school.

Firstly the daily maths has changed. I have included links to the White Rose website for each day. There's a video to watch to explain the learning and the worksheet to complete. We are starting at week 1 of the home learning as we have covered the curriculum in a different order.

As you've now finished the class text, *The Firework Maker's Daughter*, the reading comprehension is different too. Also included is a new text each week with focused grammar and vocabulary learning as well.

In the large brown envelope there are some new CGP books. Please follow the separate timetable which details what is needed to be completed each day.

If we were all in school together we would constantly be recalling our learning to check that it has been embedded into our long term memories and many of the tasks in the CGP books help us do this and learn some more knowledge too.

I hope you enjoy the different learning that's been provided in this pack. If you do have any questions at all please don't hesitate to contact me on the class email address - lothclass3@ycatschools.co.uk. However I may not be as quick to reply due to being back in school and teaching but I will always get back to you when I can.

Stay safe, keep smiling and I can't wait to see you all when it's safe to do so.

Missing you lots  
Take care  
x Miss Gallagher x

**Class 4 Updates**  
from  
Mrs Fawcett

*If you need to contact Mrs Fawcett regarding any of the work contained in your child's work pack, please email her via [lothclass4@ycatschools.co.uk](mailto:lothclass4@ycatschools.co.uk)*

#### **Hello Class 4**

During the second half of the summer term, our historical study will focus on the Ancient Greeks. As an introduction to this topic, we will learn where and when the Ancient Greek civilisation existed and order events on a timeline, gaining knowledge of how and why empires grow. Following on, we will acquire knowledge about significant events from the history of Ancient Greece, learning key facts about the Greek Empire, how it was established and maintained and its impact on the wider world.

Our artwork will focus on the function and the design of Greek vases, leading to the design and construction of 3D pieces, careful consideration being given to choice of colours and decoration. Following this, we will learn about Ancient Greek mosaics designs and their purpose and create and construct our own mosaic in this style.

We are looking forward to seeing Year 6 in school on Monday and they will need to remember to bring the following items to school:

- Wonder book
- Work pack
- PE kit
- Leavers' memories if they haven't emailed them to the class email

Love from  
x Mrs Fawcett and Mrs Hill x

## Year 5 Work packs

Going into the next half term I have added more maths and English learning tasks into the daily and weekly timetables for children in Year 5 to prepare them for Year 6 in September. Many of these activities are focused on the new CGP workbooks that have been included in each child's three envelopes. Pages have been carefully allocated each day and there are additional activities highlighted in the daily/weekly column of the timetable. I have left the answer sheets in the back of each of the work books and would suggest that these are cut out and kept carefully by parents so that you can mark the children's work accordingly.



In addition I have increased the focus on spelling. It would be very beneficial for all the Year 5 children if they could access the new SpellZone programme regularly. A commitment to this programme alongside the Spelling Bee activities that are included in the packs would give the children a head start for their spelling work in Year 6 and Mrs Fawcett would be very impressed in September if the children can spell the majority of the Year5/6 common exception words - I know they're all capable of achieving this!

In the first week back I have asked the children to write a letter to me - please let them be as creative as they want to be - they may want to include pictures and drawings too - I'm really looking forward to receiving them! My aim is to write back to each child and then hopefully they'll be able to write back to me again.

Please also note that the daily maths lessons on the White Rose Maths Hub do not follow the actual week's date and it is important to follow the lesson assigned on the Year 5 weekly timetables. For ease I have clipped all the WRM maths worksheets together as a booklet and made a separate answer booklet.

Finally if the increase in tasks is too much for your child please don't worry about it or let your child become anxious. Please just let me know through the class emails and I'll call you and help you adjust and decide upon the priority tasks to do. I'm hoping that by adding in the new work books 'a change is as good as a rest' and it will support the children in maintaining their momentum with home learning.

x Mrs Robinson x

## Reverend Thomas's 'Thoughts and Reflections' for the Week

We list below this week's thoughts and reflections from Reverend Thomas. Please have a listen - we hope you like them.

### Message in a Bottle

<https://youtu.be/2p4thUPlzi8>

### Emotions

<https://youtu.be/SPLFe7r5Uoc>

	Name the Disney Film	Answer
1		Beauty and the Beast
2		Bolt
3		Frozen
4		Little Mermaid
5		Lion King
6		Aladdin
7		Pirates of the Caribbean
8		Lady and the Tramp
9		Finding Dory
10		Snow White

# Class 4's half term Alphabet Quiz!

## ANSWER SHEET

- |   |               |
|---|---------------|
| 1. The company which produces the iPod.                   | Apple         |
| 2. A coloured handkerchief worn around the head or neck.  | bandana       |
| 3. Tiny blood vessels.                                    | capillaries   |
| 4. A German breed of dog with a long body and short legs. | dachshund     |
| 5. Background performers in a movie.                      | extras        |
| 6. Extremely hungry.                                      | famished      |
| 7. Slang name for a live musical performance.             | gig           |
| 8. Admiral Nelson's christian name.                       | Horatio       |
| 9. A floating mass of ice.                                | iceberg       |
| 10. An island country in the Caribbean.                   | Jamaica       |
| 11. 1000 bytes.   | kilobyte      |
| 12. A colourful plant organism that grows on tree trunks. | lichen        |
| 13. The closest planet to the sun.                        | mercury       |
| 14. The square root of 81 ( $\sqrt{81}$ )                 | nine          |
| 15. A colourless, tasteless, odourless gas.               | oxygen        |
| 16. The science of matter and energy.                     | physics       |
| 17. A four-sided polygon.                                 | quadrilateral |
| 18. A system of faith and worship.                        | religion      |
| 19. A type of electricity produced by friction.           | static        |
| 20. A reference book containing lists of synonyms.        | thesaurus     |
| 21. The brother of your father or mother.                 | uncle         |
| 22. A female fox.   | vixen         |
| 23. An American artist who led the Pop Art movement.      | Warhol        |
| 24. Microsoft's gaming console.                           | Xbox          |
| 25. A popular search engine.                              | Yahoo !       |
| 26. A branch of Buddhism.                                 | Zen           |

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### School contact during enforced closure

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

### Pupil Attendance ~ Reception, Year 1 & Year 6 ~ 1 June 2020

The Government has issued guidance to parents/carers regarding children from the above year groups returning to school on Monday 1 June as follows:

*We strongly encourage children and young people in the eligible year groups and priority groups (such as children of critical workers) to attend, as requested by their school or college, unless they are self-isolating or there are other reasons for absence (such as shielding due to health conditions).*

*You should notify your child's school or college as normal if your child is unable to attend so that staff are aware and can discuss with you.*

*Parents will not be fined for non-attendance at this time.*

**If you have made the decision to keep your child at home from 1 June 2020 and have not already done so, please contact the school office via email detailing the reason your child will not be returning to school so that we can complete our attendance registers and DfE documentation accordingly.**

If your child returns to school on Monday 1 June the normal procedures for notifying the school regarding illness etc apply and parents/carers must email the school office or leave a message on the absence line by 8.45am at the latest.

### Pupil Medical Information & Medication in School

**If your child is returning to school on Monday 1 June, please note the following:**

- Please ensure your child's required medication is returned to school on their first day back in school (eg. Asthma inhaler, EpiPen etc).
- If your child needs to take any prescribed medication four times a day, then please ensure the completed medical form is emailed to school or sent in with the medication. The medical form must be downloaded from the school website (Info/School Office then scroll down to the bottom of the page and select the administering medicine form).
- If your child's medical details have changed since the lockdown, please contact the school office via email immediately so that we have up-to-date medical information when your child returns.
- Please ensure all medication is placed in a clearly named small plastic bag (along with the completed medical form, where appropriate) and passed to the member of staff upon arrival at school.

### School Contact Information

Please remember to contact the school office regarding changes to mobile numbers, email addresses or postal addresses to enable us to keep an updated contact list at all times.

## School Meal Menu ~ Summer Term Second Half

Please find below this half-term's School Meal Menu. A copy will also be available to view on the school website.

	<b>WEEK ONE</b> w/c 1 June 2020 w/c 22 June 2020 w/c 13 July 2020	<b>WEEK TWO</b> w/c 8 June 2020 w/c 29 June 2020	<b>WEEK THREE</b> w/c 15 June 2020 w/c 6 July 2020
<b>M O N D A Y</b>	<b>Fish &amp; Chips</b> Peas Bread Bun ***** Strawberry Mousse	<b>Meatballs with Tomato &amp; Basil Pasta</b> Broccoli & Cauliflower Garlic Bread ***** Flapjack	<b>Savoury Mince</b> New Potatoes Cabbage Sweetcorn ***** Crumble & Custard
<b>T U E S D A Y</b>	<b>Sausage &amp; Mash</b> Carrots Green Beans ***** Chocolate Sponge with Chocolate Sauce	<b>Chicken &amp; Vegetable Pie</b> New Potatoes Carrots Green Beans ***** Banana Cake	<b>Roast Pork</b> Creamed Potatoes Broccoli Carrots ***** Chocolate Brownie
<b>W E D N E S D A Y</b>	<b>Lasagne</b> Salad Garlic Bread ***** Shortbread	<b>Margherita Pizza</b> Potato Wedges Fresh Salad ***** Mousse	<b>Beef Burger</b> Potato Wedges Fresh Salad ***** Mousse
<b>T H U R S D A Y</b>	<b>Roast Chicken</b> Roast Potatoes Broccoli Sweetcorn ***** Lemon Drizzle Cake	<b>Shepherd's Pie</b> Garden Peas Sweetcorn ***** Sponge & Custard	<b>Fish Fingers</b> Chips Beans Bread Bun ***** Sponge & Custard
<b>F R I D A Y</b>	<b>Mince Beef Chilli</b> Jacket Potato Mixed Vegetables ***** Cupcake	<b>Mild Chicken Korma &amp; Rice</b> Mixed Vegetables Naan Bread ***** Cherry Shortbread	<b>Sweet &amp; Sour Chicken</b> Rice Peas & Carrots ***** Butterfly Bun

Fresh Bread, Flavoured Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit Pot available daily

■ Due to circumstances beyond our control, it may be necessary to change from the printed menu ■



## **Year 6 ~ Pupils on Packed Lunches**

If your child is on Friday lunches, the cost for the summer term second half will be £17.08 or £2.44 per week payable in advance.

## **School Meals ~ Year 6**

The cost of school meals for children in Year 6 from 1 June 2020 will continue to be £2.44 per meal (£12.20 per week) for all children.

For parents/carers who wish to pay up to the end of term (Friday 17 July 2020), the cost will be £85.40 per child payable via ParentPay.

Alternatively, parents/carers can pay weekly (£12.20) via ParentPay.

Please note that school meals **must** be paid for in advance and we would also ask parents/carers to refer to the school's School Meals' Arrears Procedure (available to view on the school website) to ensure that you are familiar with the school's course of action should you find yourselves falling behind with payments.

**Please check your ParentPay accounts for credits/outstanding payments (eg illness, educational visits etc) and adjust your child's account accordingly when paying the above.**

## **Eligibility for Free School Meals**

May we remind parents that free school meals are available for children whose parents/carers 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](http://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 school meals until confirmation comes through. Schools 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.

### 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
- School Meal Menu - Summer Term Second Half



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