

AUTUMN TERM • ISSUE 4 • FRIDAY 2 OCTOBER 2020

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This week's

LOOTHERSDALE LEGENDS

have been awarded to:

Reception ~ **George**
 Year 1 ~ **Oliver**
 Year 2 ~ **Jack S**
 Year 3 ~ **Chloe Dr**
 Year 4 ~ **Woody**
 Year 5 ~ **Isla H**
 Year 6 ~ **Joe G**

★ **YEAR 6 AWARD** ★

This week's Year 6 Award goes to

ROSE

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**Deadlines &
Reminders for w/c
5 October 2020**

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.

W/c 5 Oct 2020 - Donations for Keighley Women's Refuge ~ please see below and attached.

EXTENDED SCHOOL'S ACTIVITIES ~ w/c 5 October 2020				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Soccer Tots 3.15 – 4.15pm	Get Groovy 3.15 – 4.15pm	Drama KS1 3.15 – 4.15pm	Art Club 3.15 – 4.15pm	Y5/6 Football 3.15 – 4.15pm
	Y3/4 Football 3.15 – 4.15pm	Drama Club KS2 3.15 – 4.15pm	Supersports 3.15 – 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 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

We have now completed four weeks of the new term and I'm really pleased that attendance in school remains very high at 98%, and no one in our immediate community has been directly affected by the dreadful virus which has blighted our lives.

I had the pleasure this week of attending the Class 4 trip to Murton Park, and I have to say I enjoyed it just as much as the children did. They really are a wonderful group of children and throughout the visit they did our school proud; their manners were excellent and they listened and joined in really well. Best of all, no one was sick on the coach, which is always a bonus! We will be adding photos to the school website in the Class 4 section shortly so please look out for those; you may be surprised to see your child washing clothes with a washboard and block of soap or even hanging them out on the line.

This week in school, we had an unexpected fire drill practice as someone accidentally 'leaned on' an emergency button. As it turned out, the entire school did extremely well and evacuated the building, quietly and safely, in only a couple of minutes. Even the youngest members of our school did wonderfully, even though they had never experienced the drill or the alarm bell before.

I have now learned nearly all the children's names (though please don't test me) and I have met lots of you in the playground. Please remember that although we cannot welcome you into school at the moment, my door is metaphorically open, so please do get in touch if you would like to speak to me or approach me on the playground.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend, despite the awful weather forecast, and I look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday morning.

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.

School Photographs

The deadline for purchasing school photograph orders was Tuesday 29 September 2020, however, if you wish to purchase your child's photograph, and haven't already done so, please follow the online ordering process detailed on the photo pack. Orders placed after 29 September will incur postage charges and will be sent direct to your home address. **Please do not return any photo orders to school.**

Disney Day Lunch ~ 1 October 2020



Thank you to Mrs G and Mrs Pickard for the wonderful Disney Day Lunch yesterday. If your child is normally on pack ups but you booked the Disney Day Lunch, please ensure payment is made as soon as possible if you have not already done so.

Harvest Festivals ~ Donations for Keighley Women's Refuge

Unfortunately we are unable to hold our Harvest Festivals at school or Christ Church this year however we would like to continue to support Keighley Women's Refuge again as self isolation has been very hard for them.



You have all been very generous in the past and we would therefore be grateful if you could donate items for the refuge by placing them in the boxes in the parent shelter as you exit school after dropping off or picking up your child next week.

Christ Church are having their Harvest Festival on Sunday 11 October and will be delivering all items donated by school and church the following Monday or Tuesday. Please see the flyer at the back of this newsletter for further details and a list of essential items required by the refuge. Thank you for your support.

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 been busy this week thinking about the changing seasons. After a super, sunny walk in the woods collecting leaves they all enjoyed creating sticky pictures with their finds.

The children have continued to be creative with their home-made playdough and have impressed us with their sharing and concentration this week.



Well done Class 1, we are all very proud of you.

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).

Class 2 have had another brilliant week and continue to work very hard.



We have continued our learning with adjectives this week, describing different characters and settings from our book. The children are becoming more confident with this and using more exciting adjectives after banning the word 'big'!

In maths, the children are becoming more confident with number. The Year 1's are working to compare different numbers and the Year 2's are deepening their knowledge of tens and ones. Keep up the hard work!



We have also started to discuss everything we know about Harvest. The children had great fun collaging some pictures for a Harvest job, more to come on this soon...

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).

Q: What did the ocean say to the Viking?

A: Nothing – it just waved

This week, Class 3 have continued to expand their historical knowledge of Vikings by writing a diary entry about what it must have been like travelling from Scandinavia to Britain.



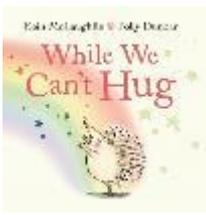
We have learnt where the Vikings settled in the UK as well as learning more about their largest settlement, Danelaw. Sam P enjoyed a fun trip over to Jorvik at the

weekend and has been full to the brim with exciting facts he has shared with us. It's great to see all children engrossed in their topic learning.

Alongside our class text, *'How to Train a Dragon'*, we have been learning how to write instructions by focusing on the features they include (imperative verbs, time adverbials and structural elements including subheadings and bullet points). All adults within Class 3 are extremely proud of how the children have worked to remember these features and started to use them in their own writing. Next week we will be finishing our instruction writing – the children will be writing their very own instructions on how to trap a dragon!



Building a positive mental health is essential on returning to school after the long period of absence, and we have therefore been engaging in 'mindful' sessions over the last four weeks. These sessions allow children to reflect on how they are feeling and to find tips and tricks to feel calm and how to help others too. This week, we focused on the book *'While We Can't Hug'* by Eoin Mclaughlin. In this simple but effective YouTube clip (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2PnnFrPaRgY>), it informs us that, even though we cannot touch or hug some people that we love; we can show that we care in many other ways. In weeks to come, children will be taking part in yoga, listening to a range of music and exploring nature to focus on their own mental health in our 'mindfu'l sessions.



Times Table Rock Stars (TTRS)

We are now using TTRS in our class curriculum and we would really appreciate it if the children could practise their times tables using this programme at home. All the children have their login details stuck into their reading record. We are updating our class leader board weekly. The more you play, the better you become.



A huge well done to Oscar who has been the top of our leader board for two weeks running now. I wonder if anyone can knock him off the top spot next week!

Spellzone

Alongside TTRS we are also going to start using Spellzone in class. Please find your child's login details at the front of their reading record. This programme is amazing for helping your child learning spelling rules with a personalised course pathway.



Please encourage your child to spend time practising their spelling work through Spellzone. I would like to stress that this work needs to be completed independently as the programme is set to progress when the child learns the spelling rule.

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).

This week in maths, our learning focus has been on rounding numbers, both integers and decimals, followed by work on negative numbers and reasoning and problem solving.



We have continued with our work on the domains in reading comprehension, familiarising ourselves with the key skills required to answer 'retrieving information' questions. Work on our class text 'Street Child' is ongoing, and children are about to start planning a piece of recount writing with a focus on modal verbs and expanded noun phrases. We have been very pleased with the effort children have put into learning their words from the Year 3/4 list. There will be a follow-up test of any remaining words during w/c 5.10.20. Mr Grogan will be sending out spelling sentence pattern homework on Monday 5th October, and English CGP books will be given out this Friday. Remember Reading Plus is also a weekly homework task.



Class 4 had a fantastic day at Murton Park on Wednesday, taking part in the 'Home Front Day'. Dressed as evacuees, and equipped with our identity cards, ration books and name labels, we were transported back in time to World War 2 where we learnt first-hand what life would have been like for a war time child.



We were introduced to the billeting officer, who explained how children were assigned to host families, many being away from their loved ones for six years. It made us realise how lucky we all are!



Mr T, the ARP (air raid precaution officer), allowed us to experience elements of his role, the highlight being extinguishing bombs with saddle pumps and buckets of water. We looked at Propaganda posters, establishing the messages the government were sending to the British public, and were very quick off the mark when the air raid siren sounded, making our way to our Anderson shelters where we remained until we heard the 'all clear' signal.

The war time kitchen was stocked with rationed ingredients, so we set to work baking war time 'Golden Crunch' and making butter using a churn jar, shaping it with butter paddles.



Unfortunately, we were told it was Monday which was wash day, so we rolled up our sleeves, and using the dolly tub, wash board and carbolic soap, we set to work on the laundry. Turning the mangle tested our strength, and ironing the clean shirts with the flat irons was much more difficult than we expected!



The rag rugs in the kitchen were threadbare, and we quickly learnt how to make new ones using a hessian base, scraps of old clothes and a peg to push the fabric into place. Great teamwork was demonstrated throughout this process, and excellent results were achieved.



During our visit, a Morrison Shelter kit was delivered to Murton Park, and we were presented with the task of assembling it; unfortunately, no instructions were provided! After careful planning and group cooperation, the structure was complete, although we were pleased that we didn't have to spend hours sheltering as war time families had to do. Careful taping of the windows took some time to complete, but we felt confident that the glass wouldn't be blown from the frame should there be an explosion nearby!



The Home Front experience was amazing, and helped us to appreciate the hardship encountered on a daily basis during the war. The children's learning behaviour was impeccable and was commented on by the staff at Murton Park; they were extremely impressed with us all. Well done Class 4!

We hope you all have a fabulous weekend!

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

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 2021 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
2021/2022	Sept 2021	1.9.2016 to 31.8.2017	15	13
2022/2023	Sept 2022	1.9.2017 to 31.8.2018	15	9
2023/2024	Sept 2023	1.9.2018 to 31.8.2019	15 (TBC)	1
2024/2025	Sept 2024	1.9.2019 to 31.8.2020	15 (TBC)	2

If you have not yet registered your interest for your child on any of the above school lists, please download a copy of the school's register of interest form available from the school website (*INFO/Admissions/Prospectus & Register of Interest then scroll down to the bottom of the page for the form*) and return to the School Office via email on lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk as soon as possible. If you have friends or relatives of children who also fall within the above categories, we would be grateful if you could pass on this information.

Staff Contact Information

Please remember that if you wish to contact a member of staff or have a general query, you can email us via lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk and your message will be passed on to the appropriate member of staff or dealt with accordingly. You can also use the contact form available on the school website.

School Contact & Pupil Medical Information

It is important that school is kept updated regarding any changes to your contact/address details and child's health. Please inform the school office as soon as possible of any changes to enable us to keep our records up-to-date.

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

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.

Live @ 4 ~ Online Worship



The churches of Sutton, Cowling and Lothersdale invite you to take part in short interactive online worship services via Zoom on Sundays from 4.00 to 4.30pm, which include quizzes, games, craft activities, bible stories and prayers, on the following dates: 6 & 20 September, 4 & 18 October, 1 & 15 November, 6 & 20 December.

Please see the flyer attached to this newsletter for details on how to access the services.

Libraries Week ~ Celebrating Books and Reading

Libraries Week is an annual showcase and celebration of the best that libraries have to offer. Each year there is a theme and you can explore the innovative and surprising things that libraries are doing to support their communities.

This year, Libraries Week will take place between the 5th and 10th October, celebrating the nation's much-loved libraries and their vital role in the UK's book culture. North Yorkshire Libraries are open and you can also access e-books, audio books and online encyclopaedia, which are available free with a library card and pin number. If children and parents do not have a library card they can call into their local library or they can Tel (01609) 533878. Please see attached flyer with further information.



In addition, Reading is 'super power' so please enter the 'Super Hero' competition, instructions are here: <https://www.bl.uk/childrens-books/activities/what-makes-a-hero-super>. Please also see flyer below. Please bring your model into the library for it to be displayed and why not come dressed as a 'Super Hero'.

If you have not already done so, sign up for a library card to discover a world of reading!

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:

Fri 23 Oct 2020

- School breaks up at 3.15pm for half-term

Sat 31 Oct 2020

- Deadline for online submission of application for a secondary school place for September 2021

Mon 2 Nov 2020

- School re-opens

Community Events:

w/c 5 Oct 2020

- Libraries Week

Sun 11 Oct 2020

- Harvest Thanksgiving (Christ Church Lothersdale)

Food Allergy Warning

Please remember Lothersdale Primary School is a Nut Free Zone



Connection Details for 'Live @ 4'



Sundays via ZOOM: 4.00 pm – 4.30pm

Join the 'Live @ 4' Zoom Meeting via this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86067405378?pwd=ZVk1dUxoYmJhRktQeUJNMDROMXI5Zz09>

Meeting ID: 860 6740 5378

Passcode: 218432

*(NB: you **do not** need to create a Zoom account)*



Please have some paper ready and something to write/draw with on the day.

See you there!

Keighley Women's Refuge

(Bradford Women's Aid)

LOTHERSDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL HARVEST THANKSGIVING ~ COLLECTION OF HOUSEHOLD ITEMS AND FOOD WEEK COMMENCING 5 OCTOBER 2020

Keighley Women's Refuge has been very busy during lockdown. It was highlighted in the media that cases of domestic violence increased significantly during this period and cases continue to rise. For this reason it is even more important for the Lothersdale community to reach out to those in need and that we all join together to donate items to help support those families who have been left with nothing.

Lothersdale Primary School has been supporting the Keighley Women's Refuge for some time in conjunction with Christ Church Lothersdale but, unfortunately, with the enforced closure of the school, all donations ceased.

The school has always made a particular effort to give to the Women's Refuge at Harvest time and all our donations have gone to support those families who are going through difficult times.

Although we are unable to hold our Harvest Festivals at school this year, we would be grateful if you could still bring in donations and leave in boxes placed in the Parent Shelter as you exit school at drop off or pick up times next week.

Items that are always required are:

Dried/canned food
Toiletries
New bedding and towels
Crockery and glassware
Kitchen electrical equipment
Cleaning products
Cleaning equipment



When women move on from the refuge they often move into an empty house or flat, so household items are particularly useful.

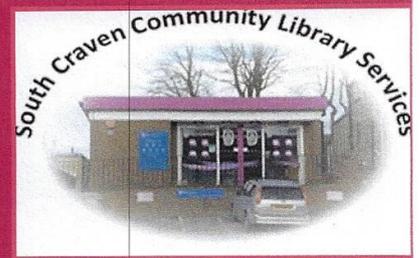


Thank you in advance for your support
Lothersdale Primary School and Christ Church Lothersdale



North Yorkshire
County Council

South Craven Community Library



This Libraries Week we are celebrating the **power of reading**. Reading is your passport to anywhere in this world (or another!) and helps your child:

- * **Improve concentration & memory**
- * **Develop language & imagination**
- * **Encourage critical thinking skills**
- * **Perform better at school**
- * **Build confidence and empathy**
- * **Be happy!**

A FREE library card gives you and your children access to thousands of books both from their local library AND eBooks, eAudiobooks and comics from our digital library!

At South Craven Community Library we offer a 'select & collect' service at present. You can call to collect a form or e-mail your requirements and library card number to: enquiries@sccls.org.uk

Pop in to speak to our friendly volunteers

South Craven Community Library current opening hours:

Monday: 2pm — 4pm, Friday 4pm—6pm, Saturday 10.00am—12.00noon

You can use your library card at all North Yorkshire Libraries

Our digital library can be accessed here:

<https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/digital-library>



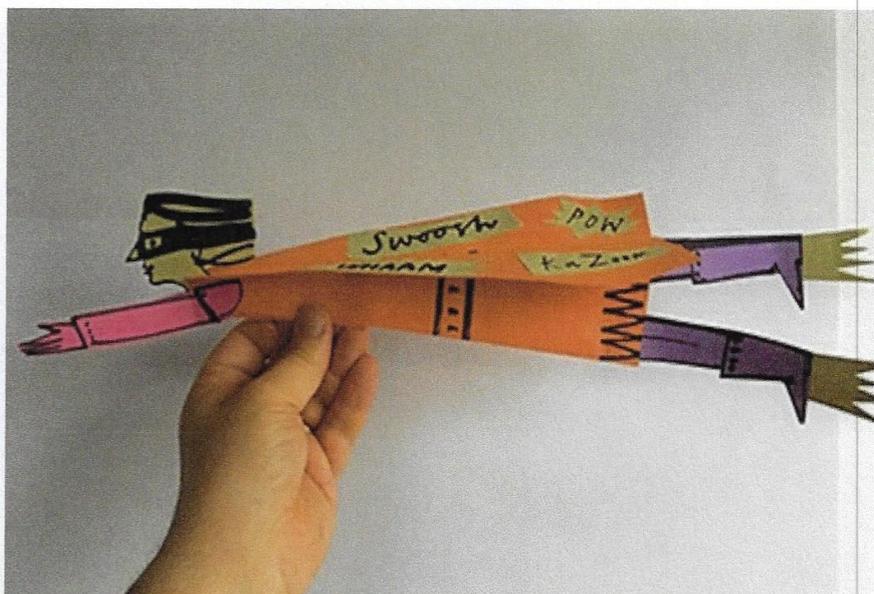
Contact: libraries@northyorks.gov.uk Tel (01609) 533878.

Libraries Week

5-10 OCTOBER 2020

Celebrate Libraries Week with some **Superhero** activities!

From the British Library website: <https://www.bl.uk/childrens-books/activities/what-makes-a-hero-super>



Make a superhero during Libraries Week, bring it in and we'll put it on display – let's fill the library with heroes!!

And don't forget – reading is a superpower too: borrow a book when you come in and develop your own knowledge, skills & imagination!

What you will need for the activities:

- A4 plain paper
- A4 assorted coloured paper
- a drawing pencil
- coloured pencils, crayons, marker pens
- a pair of scissors
- a glue stick



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