

AUTUMN TERM • ISSUE 8 • FRIDAY 6 NOVEMBER 2020

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This week's

## LOOTHERSDALE LEGENDS

have been awarded to:

Reception ~ Harry P  
Year 1 ~ Aravon  
Year 2 ~ Charlotte  
Year 3 ~ Eric  
Year 4 ~ Scarlett  
Year 5 ~ Teagan  
Year 6 ~ George

★ YEAR 6 AWARD ★

This week's Year 6 Award goes to

ALFIE

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**Deadlines & Reminders  
for w/c  
9 November 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. Thank you.*

- Mon 9 Nov 2020** - Deadline for booking your Parent Consultation Phone date/time slot  
- Deadline for outstanding Class 3 Viking Day consent forms
- Tue 10 Nov 2020** - Class 4 Flu Immunisations from 9.30am plus any other pupils absent Thu 5 Nov
- Wed 11 Nov 2020** - Class 3 trip to Murton Park ~ please arrive at the school gates at **7.50am**  
- Remembrance Day
- Thu 12 Nov 2020** - Autumn reports issued to parents/carers via bookbags
- Fri 13 Nov 2020** - BBC Children in Need ~ NON-UNIFORM DAY ~ see below

**EXTENDED SCHOOL'S ACTIVITIES ~ w/c 9 November 2020**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Soccer Tots 3.15 – 4.15pm	Streetdance 3.15 – 4.15pm	<b>NO KS1 DRAMA*</b>	Art Club 3.15 – 4.15pm	Y5/6 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 note that Class 2 Drama will not take place on Wednesday 11 November and 18 November 2020 as per the email sent to parents/carers today. Refunds will be made via ParentPay.

## Health & Safety Update!

### School Drop Off and Pick Up

Bearing in mind the current national lockdown and rise in Covid cases, this is a polite reminder to all parents/carers of the need to adhere to the school's Risk Assessment and to ensure that you **follow social distancing guidelines** at all times when on the school grounds.

When you arrive to drop off or collect your child, please wait at the main school entrance only at the allotted times as follows:

Class	Drop Off Time	Pick Up Time
Class 4 (Years 5 and 6)	8:50am	3:15pm
Class 3 (Years 3 and 4)	8:55am	3:10pm
Class 2 (Years 1 and 2)	9:00am	3:05pm
Class 1 (Reception)	9:05am	3:00pm

If you have children in more than one class, please drop off/collect all children at the time of the eldest child.

Please do not start to line up until the parents/carers of the previous class have moved on and the area is clear. If possible, please wait in your car until your child's allotted time.

Please ensure you leave the school grounds as soon as you have dropped off or collected your child to avoid any congestion at the exit gate.

Please note: **No children should be on the school playground in the morning until a member of staff has arrived to open the gate.** We cannot be responsible for the safety or wellbeing of children on the playground if our staff are not present.

As we are all now back in national lockdown, it is even more important than before that we all follow the national guidance in order to keep us all safe.

Thank you for your understanding.

Headteacher  
Updates  
from  
Mr Grogan

*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

Well, what an unusual start to the new half term!

As you are all aware, we had our first positive Covid-19 case in school which resulted in us having to close Class 4 this week. I am very happy to say that, because of the actions of the child's mother in spotting the symptoms in her child, a possible outbreak was averted and no one else in school has been infected by the virus. Happily, the child is well, as are the rest of their family.

School has been operating with a much-reduced staff team this week, but I'm happy to report that school has been calm, ordered and happy. I owe a debt of gratitude to the staff in school who have, once again, really stepped-up in order to ensure the children are safe, happy and well-taught.

I would also like to thank one of our governors, Raine Southern, who volunteered to come in at lunchtime this week to help serve lunch to the children and wipe down tables - a very kind gesture that has been much appreciated.

At the time of writing, I am eagerly awaiting the opportunity to return to school and resume 'normal' life; however, as we have entered another phase of national lockdown, I fear normal is a long way off. As far as school life at Lothersdale is concerned, there is no real change. We will continue to offer: hot lunches; extended schools clubs; a broad curriculum (Music, PE, French etc.); and the Out of School Club is still offering wrap-around care for parents/carers who rely upon this service. We will also be extra vigilant in following our Risk Assessment procedures, and will continue to stress the need for good hand hygiene with the children as well as continuing to clean surfaces routinely throughout the day. I would ask that parents/carers take the same vigilant approach, especially with regard to social distancing when dropping off or collecting children from school. Please try to arrive at the specified time for your child's class, and avoid forming large groups of people at the school gate, where possible. It is in everyone's interest that we all work together to reduce the risk of spreading this virus around our school community - Thank you.

The school is on temporary heating at present as the boiler is being replaced. This, coupled with the fact that we have to have windows open, means that school can feel chilly. Please ask your child if they have been warm enough in school, and if not, please ensure they wear an extra layer.

Attached to this newsletter is a document from National Online Safety with some really valuable, general safety advice for parents - 10 tips to keep your children safe online. Top Tip #10 is to seek support from the school safeguarding lead - our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) is Mrs Bateman, and I act as the deputy DSL. If you have any concerns about your child's online safety, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us; we will always be happy to help.

Hope you all have a good weekend together in your family bubbles!



**COLUM GROGAN**

**General  
School  
Updates**

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

**Scary Hair Day**

Thank you once again to all those parents/carers who contributed towards the fundraiser to support Chris Riley. You have helped raise a final total of **£520.00** which is a fantastic amount for a small school. Please see the message below from Chris and Glusburn School.

Dear everyone at Lothersdale Primary

**SCARY HAIR DAY**

We would like to thank you for your huge support on Friday 23 October, it really was incredibly hair-raising! Scary Hair raised £888 so far at Glusburn Primary School, with an additional £350 from a cake raffle!

The astonishing amount raised will help fund the care that Chris (Riley) needs through specialist treatment: your generosity and that of our community has been truly overwhelming.

Mr and Mrs Hunt and Riley

## Childhood Immunisations ~ Flu Vaccination Programme ~ Thursday 5 November 2020



The Childhood Immunisation team came into school yesterday to administer the vaccination to those pupils in Class 1, Class 2 and Class 3 whose parents/carers completed the online consent form. The team will be back in school on Tuesday 10 November 2020 to administer the vaccination to pupils in Class 4 and those pupils from Class 1, Class 2 and Class 3 who were not in school yesterday.

## Bonfire Lunch ~ Thursday 5 November 2020

Thank you to Mrs Grosschmidt and Mrs Pickard for yesterday's Bonfire Lunch and also for ensuring that Class 4 didn't miss out by making it all over again for them today - the toffee apple muffins were amazing!

## Remembrance Day, 11 November 2020 ~ Poppy Pebbles

Children from Class 1, Class 2 and Class 3 have been busy painting poppies onto their pebbles this week. Class 4 will be painting their pebbles on Monday ready for them all to be assembled in the Remembrance area of our school garden on Remembrance Day. Please see the photos attached to this newsletter.



REMEMBRANCE PROJECT 2020  
POPPY PEBBLES



**BBC Children in Need**

## BBC Children in Need ~ Friday 13 November 2020

During the week of 9 to 13 November 2020 we will be supporting Children in Need through activities based around their 'Five to Thrive' theme.

This year has a particular focus on boosting children's mental wellbeing and the activities and resources are designed to help children feel better about themselves – as well as helping others. We will end the week on Friday 13 November by dressing in **bright clothes** for a donation (£1.50 minimum) ~ a donations page will be set up early next week on ParentPay. If your child would like to come to school dressed in bright clothes next Friday, please make your donation via ParentPay by Friday 13 November 2020. We look forward to seeing lots of bright colours next Friday!

You can also check out the resources by following the Children in Need Five to Thrive Hub via the following link: <https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/schools/primary-school/five-to-thrive-hub/>



## Autumn Reports and Parent Consultation Phone Calls

Thank you to all those parents/carers who have emailed in their preferred date/time and telephone number to enable the teaching staff to call you to have a 10-minute discussion about your child's progress.

If you have not yet had chance to email your preference to us, please email the school office ([lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk](mailto:lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk)) by Monday 9 November 2020 to let us know your preferred date and hour for the call (e.g. between 2pm and 3pm or between 4pm and 5pm). Please remember to provide your preferred telephone contact e.g. mobile/home or work. Every effort will be made to meet requests and appointments will be allocated immediately on receipt of the email.

	Mon 16 November	Tue 17 November
Class 1 - Mrs Bateman	2.00 to 6.00pm	2.00 – 5.00pm
Class 2 – Mr Craven	2.00 to 6.00pm	2.00 – 5.00pm

	Wed 18 November	Thu 19 November
Class 3 – Miss Gallagher	2.00 – 6.00pm	2.00 – 5.00pm
Class 4 – Mrs Fawcett	2.00 – 6.00pm	2.00 – 5.00pm

Autumn reports will be sent home via bookbags on Thursday 12 November 2020.

**Bag2School Collection ~ Wednesday 18 November 2020**

The next Bag2School Collection will be held on Wednesday 18 November 2020 ~ remember to keep collecting 'good quality' unwanted items for re-use to raise money for school. Please note that Bag2School will not be issuing their own bags this time due to Covid restrictions, so please use your own bin bag(s). Remember the more bags you send to school, the more the school will earn!

They accept the following 'good quality' items for RE-USE:	They DO NOT accept:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing</li> <li>• Paired shoes (tied together/elastic band around)</li> <li>• Handbags / hats / bags</li> <li>• Scarves and ties</li> <li>• Jewellery</li> <li>• Lingerie</li> <li>• Socks</li> <li>• Belts</li> <li>• Soft toys</li> <li>• Household linen / curtains / towels</li> <li>• Household bedding (sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Duvets and blankets</li> <li>• Pillows and cushions</li> <li>• Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)</li> <li>• Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing</li> <li>• School uniforms with and without logo</li> <li>• Corporate clothing and workwear</li> <li>• Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material</li> </ul>



**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).*

What a busy week! We have been straight back into our learning in Class 1 with lots of arts and crafts, making plans for our next woodland visit, learning about Bonfire Night safety and beginning our little topic on Remembrance Day and the symbol of the poppy. Please check out the Poppy Project Photos attached to this newsletter.

A really important element of this week was our focus on **thinking** and **remembering**. At Lothersdale School we place a lot of emphasis on these key learning skills and we support the children to become independent and confident in both. Throughout the year ahead I will send home learning activities that we have started at school, for you and your child to reflect upon and discuss. This special time you spend together at home will enhance the thinking we do in Class 1, by ensuring your child is able to remember and recall the knowledge they have learnt at school

This all sounds very impressive as we are only 4 and 5 years old! I was very impressed with Class 1. I wonder if they can show you my actions for thinking and remembering which we use in class? Earlier in the week we had our first French lesson where we said "bonjour, salut, ça va, merci" 😊 If you would like to hear the French song we learnt please use the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l0a4jv-h4Ro>



ça va

[Bonjour Salut](#)  
 A song about French greetings. Voice, graphics, photography and animation: Catherine Puyravaud-Beahan. Thank you to all the children at nursery for letting me use their picture.

Lyrics: Bonjour, salut, ça va? Bonjour, salut, ça va? Bonjour, salut, ça va? Bonjour, salut, ça va, merci! Bonjour, salut, ça va!

Translation: Hello! Hi! How are ...

On Thursday I was thrilled with the children's listening and thoughtfulness during candle time. We learnt some simple rules for firework and bonfire safety. Afterwards the children began some 'have-a-go' writing for me to show what they had remembered. Well done Class 1. Please be careful if you have fireworks at home this weekend.

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

It was great to see all of the children in Class 2, happy and smiling on Monday to be back at school. And what a week we have had! We returned from the half term to discover that all of our pencils had gone. A letter that they left behind explained that they had quit and weren't happy with all of the chewing and sharpening. Over the next couple of days, we found a few more clues, including the video of a spaceship in our classroom taking the pencils away! The children wrote some letters pleading with the pencils to come back as we really did miss them. Thankfully they came back and we can colour once again. This turned out to be a great introduction to our new class book, 'The Day the Crayons Quit'. We will be reading this story over the next half term and we are all looking forward to it.

We also painted our rocks this week with some poppies in preparation for remembrance events over the weekend. All of the children showed excellent empathy for the soldiers that we are remembering. Please check out the Poppy Project Photos attached to this newsletter.

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



**Viking Day ~ Wednesday 11 November 2020**

We are all very excited about our trip to Murton Park next Wednesday, 11 November 2020. The current school drop off routine will apply. Please arrive at the main school gate as normal at **7.50am** to be met by a member of staff. The coach will leave school promptly at 8.00am. They will return to school at approximately **4.30pm**.

If your child suffers with travel sickness, please could you give them a tablet before they arrive in the morning and send another for the return journey; please place this in an envelope detailing their name and any specific instructions, and hand this to a member of staff on arrival at school. Please inform a member of staff if your child has taken a tablet before arriving at school on Wednesday morning.

All children should come to school with a healthy packed lunch (no glass bottles please) and should be dressed in warm 'playing out' clothes and outerwear and footwear appropriate for the weather conditions on the day. Please note the children will be outside for most of the day.

In the event that there is a delay on the return journey, we will keep parents/carers up-to-date via the text message system. If your child is booked into Lothersdale Out of School Club, please ensure staff are aware that he/she needs to be brought round to school at 7.50am on Wednesday morning.

*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).*

### Class 4 Flu Vaccinations ~ Tuesday 10 November 2020



The Childhood Immunisation team will be in school again on Tuesday morning to administer the vaccination to those pupils in Class 4 whose parents/carers completed the online consent form.

### Class 4 Update

Welcome back to the second half of the autumn term, and we hope you all enjoyed the holiday, despite the decidedly inclement weather!

Mr Grogan and I have been incredibly impressed with the positive attitudes demonstrated by children in Class 4 during this week of home learning. We fully appreciate that working at the kitchen table is very different to learning in school, and we are extremely grateful to parents and other family members for the support and encouragement they have given this week whilst juggling their own commitments too. This week, Year 5 have studied statistics, including charts, comparing, finding the total of, and the difference between presented data. Year 6 have focused on factors, prime factors and highest common factors, multiples, including lowest common multiples, prime and composite numbers. When we returned to school today, our KIRF learning has involved working with different units of time and the passage of time; our next target involves recognising equivalent fractions, percentages and decimals. In English, we have written diary entries, taking on the role of a character in our book. We have applied our knowledge of the diary entry features to our history topic as well, writing an entry whilst seeking sanctuary in our local air raid shelter!

We will continue to do individual check-ups of the Year 3/4 and 5/6 Key words next week in school. There will be the usual spelling check-up next Monday - 9<sup>th</sup> November, with Year 5 focusing on words with unstressed vowels from the Year 5/6 word list, and Year 6 focusing on the 'able' ending and the rules that apply to this pattern. English CGP homework books have been handed out today.

Congratulations go to Alison Sykes, Amber Harper, Courtney Pitchfork, Isla Platt, Teagan Reedy, Isla Hill and Millie Gallagher who have completed their current level on Reading Plus and have moved up during their week of home learning – fantastic work!

Have a great weekend, and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

## 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

Breakfast is now back on at Lothersdale Out of School Club! Please see attached flyers for further information and contact details.



### Falling Stars Theatre 'The Snow Queen' ~ December 2020 at Glusburn Institute

Please see attached flyer regarding performances of Hans Christian Andersen's 'The Snow Queen' taking place in December at Glusburn Institute, for your information.

## 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:

- |                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| <b>Wed 11 Nov 2020</b> | - Class 3 Viking Day at Murton Park, York   |
| <b>Wed 18 Nov 2020</b> | - Bag2School collection in the Parent Shelter ~ by 9.00am                                     |
| <b>Fri 15 Jan 2021</b> | - Deadline for online submission of application for a primary school place for September 2021 |
| <b>Tue 20 Apr 2021</b> | - Bag2School collection in the Parent Shelter ~ by 9.00am                                     |

### **Food Allergy Warning**

**Please remember Lothersdale Primary School is a Nut Free Zone**



Children in Class 1, Class 2 and Class 3 have enjoyed painting their 'poppy' pebbles this week in school ready to go in the Remembrance area of our school garden.



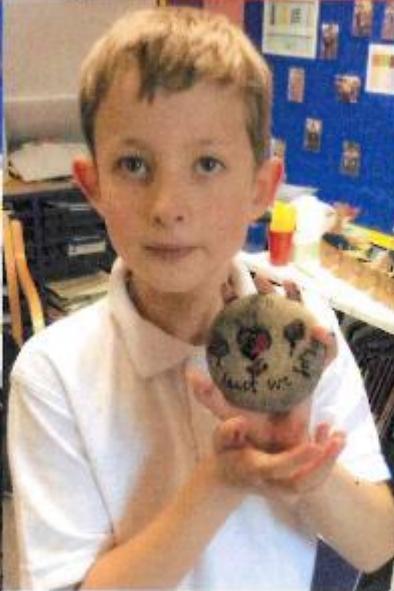
## REMEMBRANCE PROJECT 2020

# POPPY PEBBLES





REMEMBRANCE DAY  
*Let's We Forget*



# ONLINE CONTENT

## 10 tips to keep your children safe online

The internet has transformed the ability to access content. Many apps that children use are dependent on user-generated content which can encourage freedom of expression, imagination and creativity. However, due to the sheer volume uploaded every day, it can be difficult for platforms to regulate and moderate everything, which means that disturbing or distressing images, videos or audio clips can slip through the net. That's why we've created this guide to provide parents and carers with some useful tips on keeping children safe online.



### 1 MONITOR VIEWING HABITS

Whilst most apps have moderation tools, inappropriate content can still slip through the net.



### 2 CHECK ONLINE CONTENT

Understand what's being shared or what seems to be 'trending' at the moment.



### 3 CHECK AGE-RATINGS

Make sure they are old enough to use the app and meet the recommended age-limit.



### 4 CHANGE PRIVACY SETTINGS

Make accounts private and set content filters and parental controls where possible.



### 5 SPEND TIME ON THE APP

Get used to how apps work, what content is available and what your child likes to watch.



### 6 LET CHILDREN KNOW YOU'RE THERE

Ensure they know that there is support and advice available to them if they need it.



### 7 ENCOURAGE CRITICAL THINKING

Talk about what people might post online and why some posts could cause distress.



### 8 LEARN HOW TO REPORT & BLOCK

Always make sure that children know how to use the reporting tools on social media apps.



### 9 KEEP AN OPEN DIALOGUE

If a child sees distressing material online, listen to their concerns, empathise and offer reassurance.



### 10 SEEK FURTHER SUPPORT

If a child has been affected by something they've seen online, seek support from your school's safeguarding lead.

 **National Online Safety**  
#WakeUpWednesday



# **Lothersdale Out of School and Holiday Club Ltd**

We are a non-profit-making organisation and we offer affordable, secure and enjoyable play.

**The Out of School Club is open from:**

7:30am until 9am each weekday morning

3:15pm until 6pm each weekday evening

We also provide a short afternoon session from 3:15 to 4:30pm

## Price list

Breakfast Club £5.50

Short afternoon sessions £4.50

Afternoon sessions including a snack at 4:30 £9

More information available from the Club House.  
Voucher schemes accepted



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**Ofsted Registration No: EY415101**

**Ofsted inspection result 2017 - GOOD**



# Lothersdale Out of School and Holiday Club Ltd

## BREAKFAST NOW BACK ON

The Out of School Club is open for breakfast  
from 7:30am until 8:30am each weekday morning

### Price

Breakfast club £5.50

### Menu

Cornflakes    Weetabix

Rice Crispies    Multigrain Hoops

Yogurt    Fruit

Toast with jam, marmalade or honey

More information available from the Club House.  
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A re-imagining of Hans Christian Andersen's

# THE SNOW QUEEN

Accompany us on our journey this winter as we join Grace on a quest to save her friend Kayden from the clutches of the evil Snow Queen.

## Dates

Sat 5th & Sun 6th Dec – 2pm & 6pm

Sun 13th Dec – 10am, 2pm & 6pm

Mon 28th & Tues 29th Dec – 2pm & 6pm

## Box Office

Tel: 01535 630223 (Mon-Fri 10am-12pm, answering service at other times)

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