

FRIDAY NEWSLETTER



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AUTUMN TERM 2024



Second Half

AUTUMN TERM DATES:

Tuesday 3 September to Friday 20 December 2024

Lothersdale LEGENDS of the WEEK

FRIDAY 22 NOVEMBER 2024

Reception ~ Betsy

Year 1 ~ Dexter

Year 2 ~ Jude

Year 3 ~ John

Year 4 ~ Edward

Year 5 ~ Theo

Year 6 ~ Ella H





Well done everyone!

Two adults are invited to attend the next Lothersdale Legend Assembly on Friday at 8:55am

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:

Mon 25 Nov 2024

 Smartphone Free Childhood Campaign Workshops in school followed by a Parent Information Session

DEADLINES & REMINDERS

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



W/c 18 November 2024 ~ Road Safety Week

Tue - Road Safety Assembly with PCSO Tina Cardamone

Parent Consultations ~ 2:00 to 6:00pm

Wed - LSA Bag2School Collection ~ by 9.30am in the Parent Shelter (see below)

- KS2 Dark Nights Safety Assembly with Andy Coope from the NY Fire Service

Thu - Parent Consultations ~ 2:00 to 6:30pm

Fri - Class 3 swimming lessons

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.



REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

10 November 2024

Members of the School Council, along with other pupils from Lothersdale Primary School, represented the school at the Remembrance Ceremony at the village war memorial on Sunday 10 November 2024.

School Council members from Class 4 read out the fourth stanza of the Laurence Binyon poem, 'For the Fallen' on behalf of the School Council. The readings were beautifully read by both children and added to the poignancy of the occasion.

School Council members also laid the wreath at the foot of the memorial on behalf of everyone at Lothersdale Primary School.

The school staff were extremely proud of all the children who took part. Thank you to all our pupils and their parents/carers who were able to come along and attend this poignant Remembrance Service.







Class 4 Residential Visit ~ Monday 11 November to Friday 15 November 2024 We welcomed back our Class 4 pupils this afternoon after their week's residential visit to Marrick Priory.

The children have had a fantastic time, and we would like to thank Mr Craven, Miss Laycock and Mrs Smith (our ex-governor and volunteer), who have all supported the children on this educational visit, helping to make it such a success. It has been an action-packed week, where the children have worked together as a team and achieved personal challenges.

- Day 1 : The children had a great time with team-building games, an egg-drop challenge and a night walk to finish.
- Days 2 & 3: These two days were action packed with climbing, abseiling, archery, zip wire and the leap of faith in their respective groups. Day 3 ended with a Task Master Games Evening, where the Year 5 boys demonstrated excellent creative thinking to win the competition!
- Day 4 : A day walking in Swaledale and, again, it was a day full of beautiful sunshine and all of the children were brilliant on the walk. Lots of laughter and smiling. During the walk, the children hunted for fossils and Galena. A visit to the ice-cream parlour and an evening of board games finished off a brilliant day.
- Day 5 : Today the children packed up their belongings and made sure everything was tidy. They then set out on a guided walk to Reeth before setting off on the coach back to Lothersdale.

You are **Lothersdale Legends** and we are very proud of you all. Please see our gallery of pictures below, highlighting their exciting week.







Anti-bullying Week

This week we have acknowledged anti-bullying week in school and shared the core message to 'choose respect'. To conclude the week, children took part in an 'anti-bullying picket' – an opportunity to demonstrate we are committed to building a school community where respect and kindness thrives.

Class 1 visit to Christ Church, Lothersdale ~ Thursday 14 November 2024

Class 1 had beautiful weather on Thursday when they walked up to Christ Church and back for a morning visit. On the way there, they watched the water going into the dam and saw ducks and hens.

In church, the children played I-Spy and Chris Mitchell read them a story. After a lovely snack break, Mrs Bateman talked to them about the memorial for the Lothersdale soldier and the children will be going over to the village memorial next week to look for more information about the soldier from the village.

Mrs Gallagher got to ring the church bell, which entertained the children! Thank you to Chris Mitchell for supporting Mrs Bateman and Mrs Gallagher with this visit.





BBC Children in Need ~ Friday 15 November 2024

Thank you to everyone who supported our non-uniform day in school today to raise money for this year's Children in Need campaign.

We will let you know next week how much we have raised towards this worthwhile charity.



Parent Consultations ~ Tuesday 19 November & Thursday 21 November 2024 Our Parent Consultations will be taking place next week on Tuesday 19 November and Thursday 21 November 2024.

Each appointment is for 10 minutes, and teachers have been advised to ensure appointments do not run over; we would be grateful if you could arrive just before your appointment time to avoid congestion.

Smartphone Free Childhood Survey & Workshops

If you have not yet had the chance to complete the Smartphone Free Childhood Survey, we would be grateful if you could take part to help us gauge wider opinions and concerns in our community on children owning smartphones. The survey should only take 5 minutes and is completely anonymous. Your responses will enable us to move forward in a way that works for our children, families and community.

A letter will be sent out next week regarding the Smartphone Free Childhood Campaign Workshops and Parent Information Session, which is scheduled to be held on Monday 25 November 2024. Thank you for your support.



Thank you!



Here is a heartfelt THANK YOU from everyone at the Women's Refuge, for the wonderful harvest gifts that you have sent us. In the past, we have saved tinned food, etc until someone has arrived with immediate need, but we have done things a little differently this year.

With the cost of living crisis at the moment, our families are faced with extra pressure, so we have shared the harvest gifts of food, toiletries, etc, into little parcels for each family group. Also, any money donations have gone into a fund called our "Client Engagement Fund", where we are organising activities such as cookery, healthcare and art classes, to enrich the lives of our families. Your gifts mean a lot to us here, and "thank you" once again.

This year, in conjunction with Christ Church Lothersdale, we are once again asking you to support the children (and mums!) who will be spending their Christmas at Keighley Refuge.

Your support is always amazing and we hope you will be able to give generously again.

Keighley Women's Refuge

Christmas Gifts

Here is the current list of 11 children:

8 boys ~ aged 12, 8, 7, 4, 3, 3, 1, 4 months 3 girls ~ 1 aged 9 and 2 aged 18 months

At the time of writing there are no up to date numbers for mums and carers

It would be really helpful if presents are wrapped and labelled with the gender and age of the person it would best suit eg. 'Happy Christmas to a 3 year old boy'.

Please leave your gift in the main reception area. In order to enable us to get the gifts to the Refuge in time for Christmas, please ensure gifts are sent in by 9.30am on Monday 16 December 2024.

Once again, many thanks for your support ~ you will be making Christmas more joyful for those having a difficult time.

Prospective Parents Open Day Events:

Tuesday 26 November and Thursday 28 November 2024

We will be holding Open Day Events for new prospective parents/carers who have children due to start in Reception in September 2025 and would like to look at Lothersdale Primary School as one of their options.

Choosing a school for your child can be a daunting prospect and we look forward to welcoming prospective new parents/carers on Tuesday 26 November and Thursday 28 November 2024 from 1:30 to 2:30pm.

We attach the Open Day flyer below and if you have friends or relatives who have children approaching school age next year, we would be grateful if you could pass on this information.



to the Lothersdale OFFICE

SCHOOL OFFICE TERM TIME HOURS

	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	8:00-12:15	1:15-4:00
Tuesday	8:00 - 12:15	1:15-4:00
Wednesday	8:00 - 12:15	1:15-4:00
Thursday	8:00 - 12:15	1:15-4:00
Friday*	CLOSED	CLOSED

Telephone: 01535 632510 Email:

lothersdale@ycatschools.co.uk

Access into school (parents/carers/contractors/visitors) is via prior appointment only, in line with the school's Health & Safety and Child Protection Policies.

Please telephone the School Office during the hours listed to make an appointment to speak to a member of staff.

*Please note that Mrs Ellison is not in school on Fridays and emails will be checked on her return on Mondays. Urgent messages should be left on the school answer machine, which will be checked at intervals throughout the day.



Please refer to the Friday Newsletter and the school website prior to emailing or contacting school, as most of our day-to-day information can be located within these communication portals. The school website address is https://www.lothersdaleschool.org.uk



SchoolGrid ~ Christmas Lunch ~ Wednesday 18 December 2024

The menu for the Christmas Lunch has been uploaded to SchoolGrid and is now available to book. Please remember that this update may impact any pre-orders so please check your account. The Christmas Menu will be included in the Christmas Newsletter (see below).



Christmas Newsletter

Please look out for our Christmas Newsletter, which will be emailed to parents/carers next week and will detail all our events leading up to the end of term for your information. Additional information regarding some of the events listed will be issued as soon as possible.

Pre-school Siblings

If you have younger siblings who are coming up to school age (particularly for September 2025 intake) and you have not yet pre-registered your child with school, we would be grateful if you could email the school office as soon as possible for a Pre-admissions form.

We have two Open Days coming up and it would be beneficial for us to have an up-to-date list of any siblings who are due to start school in September 2025. This will help us to support potential parents/carers by determining numbers for the next academic year's intake. Thank you for your support.

Primary School Admissions ~ September 2025

Online applications can now be made via the Local Authority for reception places at Lothersdale Primary School for September 2025. The online common application form must be submitted by no later than <u>Wednesday 15 January 2025</u>.

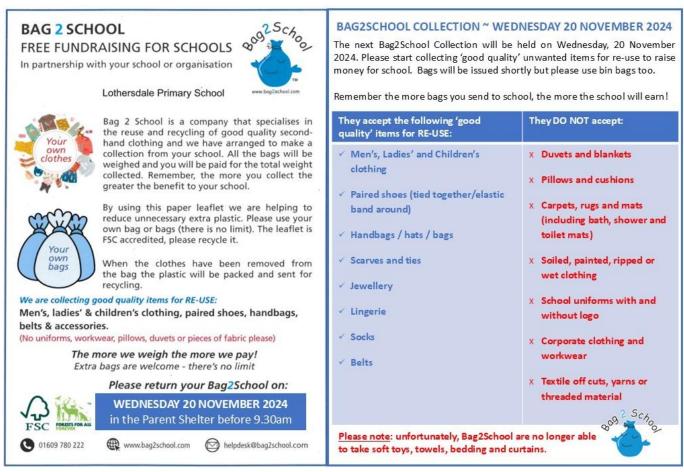


Forthcoming Events

LSA Bag2School Collection ~ Wednesday 20 November 2024 LSA Christmas Fair ~ Saturday 30 November 2024 LSA Christmas Bingo ~ Wednesday 11 December 2024 More details will follow nearer the time

LSA Bag2School Collection ~ Wednesday 20 November 2024

Our next fundraising event is the Bag2School collection, which takes place next week on Wednesday 20 November 2024. Please see the list below of accepted items (note they are no longer able to take soft toys, towels, bedding and linen).



Bags were sent home this week – please use black bin bags if you require more bags. Please do not place items in any other bags as the money raised is calculated by the weight of the bags and heavier bags will not be taken. Thank you for your support.

Please ensure that bags are only placed in the Parent Shelter on the morning of Wednesday 20 November, or, if you are struggling, the night before as along as the weather is dry.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

LSA CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Tickets & Donations



Our Christmas Raffle has started this week and raffle tickets have been sent home via bookbags. Thank you to those of you who have already donated prizes ~ if you run a business or have a raffle prize you would like to donate, please contact a member of the LSA. We already have some amazing prizes on offer, and we are grateful for your help in making our Christmas Raffle a success.



STAR PRIZES



One night's weekend stay for 2 with dinner & breakfast at The Devonshire Fell, Burnsall Fire lit meal & stargazing experience for 2, Broughton Hall Estate Afternoon tea for 2 at Rudding Park Family ticket for Thornton Hall Farm Park Many more prizes to be won....!

Please try and sell as many tickets as possible to family and friends. If you require more tickets, please ask for more from the LSA via their email address below or speak to a member of the LSA at drop off or pick up.

Tickets cost £1 each / £5 a strip. Please keep one half of each strip & return the other half for the prize draw. Write your name & telephone number on each ticket you are returning and return with payment to the school office in a sealed envelope addressed to the LSA. If you require more raffle tickets, please email the school office or ask a member of the LSA (Donna Laycock, Katie Lubomski-Wiggan or Anna Chapman).

H. MPER DO ATIONS

We'd also like to ask parents/carers for the following donations for our Rainbow Hampers. Boxes are now available in the main reception area for hamper donations



Reception - PINK Year 1 - RED Year 2 - ORANGE Year 3 - YELLOW Year 4 - GREEN Year 5 - BLUE Year 6 - PURPLE

Please leave your hamper donations in the main reception area by Monday 16 December 2024 at the latest.

Thank you all in advance for your continued support.

The LSA (Isalothersdale@gmail.com)



CHRISTMAS FAIR

Saturday 30th November 2024 11am to 2pm

at Lothersdale Primary School

Visit Santa!

Entry Admission:

Adults: £3 Children: FREE Santa's Grotto: £3 Craft Room: £3

Games Room: all games are 1 token each (tokens are 20p each, sold at reception)

Third sibling is free of charge (grotto & craft room)

- Tombola Visit SANTA in his Grotto Play splat the rat,
- Christmas corn hole, guess the sweets in a jar, and lots more in our GAMES ROOM Decorate a biscuit, create some hot chocolate cones, make a bauble, in our CRAFT ROOM Relax with a hot or cold drink, hot dog and cake in our CAFÉ
 - Enter our Christmas RAFFLE amazing prizes! •

Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you all there!



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.



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:

w/c 18 Nov 2024 - Road Safety Week

Tue 19 Nov 2024 - Parent Consultations (2.15pm to 6pm)

Wed 20 Nov 2024 - LSA Bag2School collection

Thu 21 Nov 2024 - Parent Consultations (2.15pm to 6.30pm)

Tue 26 Nov 2024 Open Afternoon for prospective parents for September 2025 Reception intake

Wed 27 Nov 2024 - Y5/6 South Craven Cluster Clay Workshop

Thu 28 Nov 2024 - Open Afternoon for prospective parents for September 2025 Reception intake

Sat 30 Nov 2024 - LSA Christmas Fair

Thu 5 Dec 2024 - Christmas Craft Afternoon

Tue 10 Dec 2024 - Human Rights Day

Wed 11 Dec 2024 - LSA Christmas Bingo (3:15pm to 5:30pm)
Fri 13 Dec 2024 - Last Autumn Class 3 swimming lesson

Tue 17 Dec 2024 - Whole School Christmas Concert at Skipton Town Hall
 Wed 18 Dec 2024 - John Froud: Whole school 'Christmas in a Day' workshops

Wed 18 Dec 2024 - Christmas Lunch Thu 19 Dec 2024 - Christmas Party Day

Fri 20 Dec 2024 - School breaks up at 3:15pm for the Christmas break



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