

Thursday 18th July 2024

**Last Newsletter of the Year!** 

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## A Message from Mr Smith

I wanted to start this week's newsletter by saying how proud I was of all our children at last Friday's Sports Day. They were absolutely brilliant and I am sure all those who were watching enjoyed the afternoon as much as I did. Special thanks also to Matty Hood and our super ex-pupils for helping the races run so smoothly. Well done to Griffin house for achieving the most race points!

Yesterday we took the whole school up to Sandsend for a day at the beach and the children behaved themselves amazingly well. It was lovely to see the older children taking some of the younger members of our school under their wing and all the happy, smiling faces! Thank you to the many parents who came along – it really did help make the day enjoyable and run smoothly.

This week I received news from our amazing FOSS team that the total donation raised for school this year is an unbelievable £11,000! Thank you, once again, for EVERYONE who has contributed to this amazing achievement! Under the current financial climate, this is a massive help which enables school to purchase additional resources and provide fantastic opportunities for the children of Slingsby School that would otherwise not be affordable.

Speaking of fantastic opportunities, I have some GREAT news! You may remember in previous communications that we announced that we were unable to continue to fund Sing Education's Mrs Moore to come into school from September. I can now announce that, thanks to the amazing fund-raising efforts of the FOSS team, and with their agreement, we will now be able to use part of their donation to ensure the music provision continues into the next academic year. The teachers and myself are thrilled that we can now continue our partnership with Sing Education – especially after all the positive comments from children about how much they have been enjoying their music lessons.

Hopefully you have all received the end of year Summer Reports which were given out yesterday afternoon. We are proud of what the children have achieved this academic year.

Sadly, Miss Bridgeman will be leaving our school tomorrow to pursue a new career path. She has been an outstanding member of the Slingsby staff team and we will all miss her very much as she moves on to a new pathway in her life. Thank you for all you have done for the children of Slingsby School, Miss Bridgeman!

Thank you also to all our volunteers and supporters, parents and carers for all your help throughout the year. We feel privileged to work in such a community spirited school.

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING.

Finally, we really hope you will all join us for our last celebration assembly of the year on Friday at 1pm in the Village Hall, where we will be saying farewell and good luck to our brilliant Year 6 pupils – bring the tissues!

Have a wonderful Summer break and see you all in September.

Mr Smith



### **School News**

- Year 6 attended the Crucial Crew North Yorkshire Police event on Monday learning from all the emergency services about staying safe and to encourage good citizenship in reducing accidents, injuries, anti-social behaviour and crime.
- A table of all lost property will be outside school on Thursday and Friday. Please go through
  the items and take anything that may be yours. Anything unclaimed at the end of term will
  be given to charity or FOSS.
- Child medication and new forms will be returned on Friday. Please return the completed forms and accompanying medication on the first day back in September.
- The NYES Catering SD1 form will be sent home on Friday to all the children who currently have dietary requirements. Please complete and returned on the first day back in September.
- Please ensure your Parent Pay accounts are all paid by Friday. We are making upgrades to our Parent Pay system from Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July and so all accounts must be paid and no debt showing. Any credit on leavers' accounts will be credited.
- We continue to strive for excellent attendance at Slingsby School and we are proud to have seen attendance increase significantly this year. In line with our Attendance Policy, letters will be sent out this week for children whose attendance has fallen below 95% for the year to flag this and we hope to work with you, where feasible, to increase this for next year.
- Staff will be returning to school on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September for a training day and we look forward to seeing the children back on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September.



## **Changes to Clubs and Parent Pay in September**

As communicated in our letter to you about September class structures on 11<sup>th</sup> June, we are having to increase the cost of our wraparound care provision due to our strained budget. All our wraparound care will be increasing by 50p per session. We are also making improvements to our clubs booking system which will be moving to an electronic system in September, via Parent Pay. A letter detailing all these changes will be coming out to you today. All clubs will resume on the first day back, Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2024.





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#### **FOSS News**

Thank you to everyone who supported our refreshment stall at Sport's Day which raised £50 and the Slingsby's Got Talent show which raised £156.

#### End of year donation

We have had a fantastic year of fundraising and are thrilled to share that FOSS's end of year donation to our wonderful school is £11,000! This is our highest ever contribution and we want to say a huge thank you to everyone that has supported our fundraising events this school year, through visiting our events, volunteering and donations, your support is very much appreciated.

### Frozen Friday - this Friday 19th July

FOSS will be selling ice lollies for £1 on the green after the leaver's assembly, please bring cash.

### Easyfundraising

Don't forget when buying things over the summer holidays you can raise money for the school! Please download the Easyfundraising app and sign up to support Friends of Slingsby School and shop through the app.

Lastly, we would like to wish all our school families a wonderful summer, and if you would like to know more about FOSS or are interested in joining our team we are reaching out for new members. You can be involved as little or as much as you like - every little helps! Please do get in touch and email <a href="mailto:friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk">friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk</a>, we would love to hear from you.



Please find attached an Important Customer Update regarding changes to their summer opening hours. They have been advised by Elvington Estate Management Company, that the estate will be closed on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> & Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> August to allow for the estate service road to be fully resurfaced. They will instead be open on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> August from 10am to 2pm as they appreciate that some parents/carers may only be able to visit at the weekend during the summer holidays.



### Ryedale School Y6-Y7 Transition Activity Day – \*Rearranged Dates

We have been asked to share with parents/carers of Year 6 children moving up to Ryedale School in September that there has been a change in dates for the Y7 transition sports days in the summer holidays. The following date changes:

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- Pupils signed up on Monday the 22nd of July will instead attend Ryedale on Thursday the 8th of August.
- Pupils signed up on Tuesday the 23rd of July will instead attend Ryedale on Friday the 9th of August.

Please can all parents/carers confirm whether or not their child will be attending the new dates by emailing Mr Jackson at <a href="mailto:ljackson@ryedale-rlt.co.uk">ljackson@ryedale-rlt.co.uk</a>. This will allow Ryedale to plan the activities of the new dates whilst ensuring no families miss this update and travel to Ryedale for the original dates. The timings (9:00am-3:30pm) and location (Ryedale School, Gale Lane, Nawton, YO62 7SL) remain the same. Pupils require a packed lunch and appropriate sporty attire.



Have a really great summer holiday! We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2024.

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