

Thursday 13th June 2024



Head Teacher:
Mr L Smith
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A Message from Mr Smith

I would like to inform parents that sadly our governor and long-time friend of the school, Rev Douglas Robertson has taken the difficult decision to step down from being a school governor. Douglas has been a governor since 2020 and has been a credit to the school: invigilating Year 6 SAT tests; helping to interview and recruit staff; visiting school on regular occasions; and attending governing body meetings – not to mention his interesting talks at our Easter and Christmas services. Hopefully, Rev Robertson will be able to continue to lead these special assemblies and services for school; and we will hopefully see him when the Year 6 go to decorate the Christmas tree at Castle Howard at Christmas. On behalf of all the staff of Slingsby School, I would like say a huge thank you for his fantastic contributions and support over the years.

On Wednesday, we welcomed our new reception children who will be joining us in September. The classroom was certainly a hive of activity and was full of excitement! It was lovely to meet and greet the parents and carers and spend time getting to know the children. At the same time as the new starter session, all the other year groups had a transition morning; moving up to the next year/class to get familiar with their new classroom, class mates and teacher (if different). The Year 6 children worked with me on the playground to develop their team-building and communication skills; and I was very impressed with their ability to solve the challenges I set them.

Well done to Dragon House for achieving another victory last week – you have really shown great improvement in the number of Dojo points you are being awarded. The Summer term totals are incredibly close so make sure you all keep trying hard to earn as many Dojo points as possible!

Have a great weekend.

Mr Smith



School News

- On Tuesday, Class 3 enjoyed an afternoon of practical science with Mrs. Free from Malton Secondary school. This session revised their earlier learning on the topic of electricity. The children tested lots of different metals to see if they could conduct electricity and they even made their own battery out of orange juice! They thoroughly enjoyed their learning and were very appreciative that Mrs. Free came with a wide

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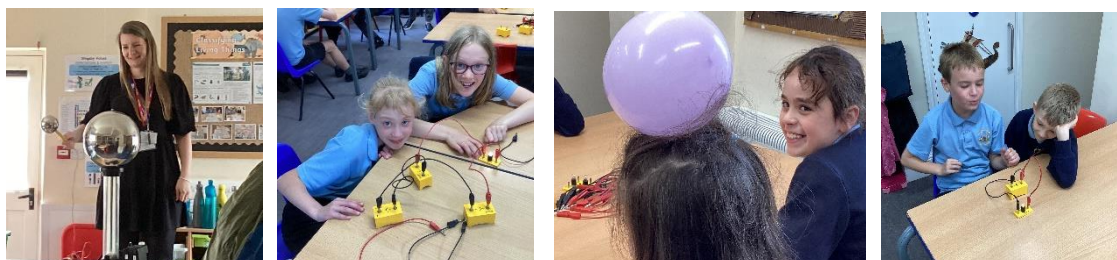
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variety of resources for them to use! Their behaviour was superb and Ms. Breese was impressed with how well they collaborated and worked together. They were joined by our new co-opted governor for science, Mrs Jo Breckon, who reported:

'The subject of the session was 'Electricity' which the children had previously studied in the Spring Term. From the very beginning the children were engaged, enthusiastic and actively answering questions and participating in the session. In the first part of the session the children demonstrated great recall of prior knowledge of this topic including a wide range of subject specific vocabulary. The session was very hands-on and throughout this, the children's behaviour was great. They were putting hands up to answer questions, working well in pairs. At times, Mrs Free introduced ideas and vocabulary which was new to them but they listened well and were able to apply this to answering questions later on. They all were able to follow instructions to make a variety of circuits and could use their prior knowledge to make logical predictions. When talking to some of the pairs, they could explain what they were doing, how it worked and use scientific vocabulary to explain why. Throughout the session they were polite to Mrs Free and were a credit to the school.'



- Class 4 had their second rugby skills session on Tuesday with Malton & Norton Rugby Club.
- Our Local Authority advisor was in school on Tuesday talking to staff and children about assessment of subjects in school and how we can continue to improve feedback to our pupils.
- Class 1 took part in a Summer Sports event at MCSC on Wednesday afternoon and had a great time. They participated in skill games involving tennis, javelin and shot-put; and finished the afternoon with an epic game of dodgeball!
- Our Year 4 children did brilliantly in the statutory multiplication tables checks on Wednesday.
- Class Curriculum Newsletters for this half term are available to view and download from the school website <http://www.slingsby.n-yorks.sch.uk/classes/>
- Mr Smith has attended a Governance Health Check today.
- Miss Secker has taken part in Spatial Reasoning Maths training today.
- Miss Pearce will begin her nursery visits for all our new reception starters next week and is looking forward to getting to know them all better.

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- The Year 6 Bikeability letter and forms were all handed out to children on Wednesday so keep an eye out for the envelope. Please read and return both forms to the school office before Monday 24th June.
- The deadline for new uniform orders for September via FOSS is this Monday, 17th June (details in attached flyer). This is another great fundraiser for FOSS. If, however, you are unable to order by Monday, the deadline for new uniform orders direct from School Shop for September is 29th July.



Parent Governors

Parents and carers wanting to offer feedback to the school can do so through the parent representatives on the Governing Body. Governors discuss a wide variety of matters related to the successful running of the school, and our parent Governors - Mr Storrar and Mr Pope - input on behalf of all parents and carers. The next full governing body meeting is on the **9th July 2024** and parent Governors are happy for anyone to put forward anything they wish to raise for discussion on your behalf. Please email clerk@slingsby.n-yorks.sch.uk and title your email "FOA Parent Governors".



FOSS Update

Father's Day Krispy Kreme order - Friday 14th June

Thank you for all your Krispy Kreme orders for Father's Day. They will be ready to collect this **Friday 14th June** at 3.30pm outside school at pick-up or after school club at 4.30pm. We have a few extra available on the day, but only a limited number so it will be first come first serve, they are priced at 3 doughnuts for £4.

New uniform orders - deadline for orders in Monday 17th June

This year we are pleased to offer an ordering service for new school uniform, by ordering in bulk the nominated school supplier will offer us a discount which we can use as a fundraiser for FOSS.

To place your order scan the QR code on the attached leaflet and complete the on-line ordering form, the deadline for orders is Monday the 17th June to guarantee delivery of items before the summer holidays. Alternatively, please email us at Friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk with your requirements.

Frozen Fridays - Friday 21st June

Introducing our new fundraising event! Next Friday we will have a range of ice lollies available for £1 each outside school on the green at school pick-up, please bring along cash.

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Duck Race and family fun day - Saturday 6th July

The countdown is on to our final fundraiser of the school year! The deadline for duck sponsorship forms to be handed in is next **Friday 21st June** so there is a week left to sell as many ducks as you can to be in with a chance of winning our prize for school's "highest fundraiser" - a Family Admission to Helmsley Open Air Pool. The winner of the pool pass will be announced at the Friday assembly after the duck race. If you need more forms just email FOSS.

Non-Uniform Day & Tombola Prize - Will be held next **Friday 21st June** and we are asking for donations of: sweets, chocolates, small novelty items, craft items, games, wine or food items - anything that you would like to win as a tombola prize yourself. Please have them ready to drop off on the morning of the 21st. Collection tubs will be located at both school entrances.

Volunteers - Thank you to everyone who has offered to volunteer so far - your help is so invaluable and much-appreciated! There are still a few volunteer slots that need filling in order to make this event a success - the slots are 11am-1pm and 1pm-3pm. Please email FOSS if you are able to help.

Pre-loved Uniform Sale - Friday 28th June

Our next pre-loved uniform sale will take place in the Chapel school room on Friday 28th June 2.30-4.30pm. Come and browse through our large range of good quality school uniform, plus there will be refreshments and home baked items.



UPDATED SUMMER KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Please note that these dates are subject to change. Any changes and new dates since we last listed the key dates are highlighted in yellow.

17th June – Summer Term test week

17th June – Class 1 village walk

17th June – New school uniform orders from FOSS deadline

18th June – Y6 Malton School Induction Day 1

19th June – Y6 Malton School Induction Day 2

21st June – Deadline for Duck Race sponsor forms to be handed in

21st June – Non-uniform Day for FOSS Duck Race tombola

21st June – New Reception starters second settling in session AM

21st June – Class 4 third rugby coaching session

21st June - New FOSS fundraiser 'FOSS Frozen Friday' ice lolly sale

24th June – Y6 Bikeability – Group 1

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- 25th June – Y6 Bikeability – Group 1
25th June – Y5 Experience Day at Malton School
26th June – Y6 Bikeability – Group 2
27th June – Y6 Bikeability – Group 2
27th June – Ryedale School Y6 Presentation evening
28th June – Library Bus
28th June – Pre-loved uniform sale with refreshments and home baking
28th June – Class 4 last rugby session
28th June – FOSS refreshments and cakes in Chapel to welcome new families
29th June – Ryedale School Uniform event
1st July – Whole School Let's Learn Moor Day at Blakey Ridge – letter to follow
2nd July – Whole School Golf Day
2nd July – Steve Skidmore Author Visit
3rd July – Rounders Tournament Norton College – TBC
3rd July – New Reception Starters fourth settling in session PM
~~4th July – End of Term Entertainment Evening at Slingsby Village Hall~~ Moved to 11th.
5th July – Y6 Ryedale School Activities afternoon
5th July – Class 4 trip to Hovingham Hall Archaeological Dig - TBC
6th July – FOSS Duck Race Day Sports Field
8th July – Malton School Touring Production Charlie and the Chocolate Factory -TBC
9th July – Sports Day 1pm Sports Field with refreshments by FOSS
10th July – Year 6 Leavers' Day at Flamingo Land & pizza at Florios
11th July – Slingsby's Got Talent Entertainment Evening 6pm Village Hall with refreshments by FOSS
12th July – Proms in the Playground Swinton Band – TBC
12th July – Back up Sports Day in case of bad weather on 9th July
12th July – New Reception Starters last settling in session PM
12th July - FOSS Frozen Friday ice lolly sale
15th July – Year 6 Crucial Crew workshop – letter to follow
16th July – Class 1 & 2 Beach Day – letter to follow
17th July – Class 3 & 4 Beach Day – letter to follow
18th July – Year 6 Leaver's Lunch
19th July – End of Year & Leavers' Assembly at Slingsby Village Hall at 1pm and end of term with an early finish. Everyone welcome!

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