



## SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thursday 16th January 2025

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### **A Message from Mr Smith**

I am sorry to advise you that we have had a great deal of pupil absence due to illness in the last week. There appears to be a nasty flu type virus going around, as well as a sickness bug. We continue to carry out diligent cleaning systems in school and are reminding the children about good hand hygiene as well as keeping classrooms well-ventilated to try to reduce the risk of spreading the bugs. Please see the attached NHS link if you are unsure whether to send your child into school or not.

[Is my child too ill for school? - NHS](#)

In my Monday assembly this week we talked about caring for and respecting each other and our possessions. These are two of the really important Slingsby School values for life and we expect all our children to demonstrate these values in all they do in school. I have been looking out for especially caring and respectful behaviour as I walk around school every day; and I hope you see it at home too!

In other news, we will soon be sending out letters to next year's Year 5 & 6 about our exciting residential visit to Peat Rigg Outdoor Education Centre in Pickering in October 2025, so please keep an eye out for this in your inbox.

Last week's House point totals were very close indeed, with only 12 dojo points separating the 4 houses: Dragon – 154, Griffin – 161, Pegasus – 166 & Phoenix – 154. Congratulations to Phoenix house!

As always, we wish you a fantastically enjoyable and restful weekend.

Mr. Smith



### **School News**

- A list of Spring Term key dates for your diary are at the end of this newsletter. Any new dates that are added as the term progresses will be brought to your attention.
- Please remember children need their PE kits in school every day, as well as spare socks in case it is wet during outside activities.
- A letter was sent out on Monday to Class 3 & 4 inviting the children to join the Maypole dancing lessons ahead of this year's May Day celebrations. Confirmation of places will be sent out early next week.
- Miss Pearce and Mr Smith spent the day with our English Hub Advisor on Tuesday looking at how we can further improve our early reading and phonics provision in school.
- Mrs Massey and Miss Hope completed and submitted our Spring Census today.
- This term's Curriculum newsletters for each class are now available on our website. Please take a minute to read these to find out what your children are learning and what they need each day. Please follow this link [Classes - Slingsby Community Primary School](#)

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- Term dates for 2025/26 as approved by NYC are now available on our website [Term Dates - Slingsby Community Primary School](#).
- There are two bowls still in school from the FOSS party which have not been claimed. Please let the office know if they are yours. Hopefully all other dishes made their way back to their rightful homes!



### **Early Notice – No After School Clubs Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2025**

All our staff will be attending an obligatory Health & Safety training session on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2025 after school therefore we will be unable to provide after school care on this date. Please note in your diaries if your child usually attends Film and Chill Club on a Wednesday. Many thanks



### **Menu Change Friday**

Mrs Saunders will also be offering sausages on Friday in addition to the current menu choices.



### **FOSS Update**

#### **FOSS Meeting - Thursday 13th Feb**

We are having our next informal FOSS meeting on Thursday 13th Feb and everyone is warmly welcome to come along. We will be reviewing last term's events so feedback is welcome and also planning the rest of the year ahead. Time and location to be confirmed.

Dates for the diary:

**Mother's Day Sale:** Fri 28th March

**Scarecrow weekend:** 3-5th May

**Duck Race:** Sat 5th July

We are actively seeking people to join our working groups to help plan these events, please get in touch by emailing FOSS. You can be involved as little or as much as you want, and any offer of help is greatly appreciated to help ensure these events can go ahead successfully.

### **Easyfundraising**

Don't forget you can support us when you shop online through Easyfundrasing, including holidays, clothes and lots more. Please download the app and sign up to support Friends of Slingsby School.



### **Apprenticeships Fair – 13th February, Milton Rooms, Malton 5pm – 7pm**

The last fair focussed specifically on engineering but this time they are opening this fair out to apprenticeships of all kinds, with businesses and trades based all over North Yorkshire invited including catering, engineering, tourism and environmental. The fair will be open to all ages - students and individuals who are interested in apprenticeships. Please see the attached flyer.



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## **Child Welfare and Safeguarding - who to speak to**

Details of our safeguarding contacts can be found on our website at [Safeguarding & Child Protection - Slingsby Community Primary School](#). If you have concerns about a child's welfare, please contact one of our school safeguarding members:

- ❖ Mr. L. Smith (Designated Safeguarding Lead): [headteacher@slingsby.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@slingsby.n-yorks.sch.uk)
- ❖ Mrs. C. Jordan (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead)
- ❖ Mr. T. Storrar (Safeguarding Lead Governor): [chair@slingsby.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:chair@slingsby.n-yorks.sch.uk)

Further advice can also be obtained from:

- ❖ The Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO) on: 01609 533080
- ❖ The Local Authority Multi-Agency Support Team (MAST) on: 0300 131 2131
- ❖ North Yorkshire Police on: 101



**Diary dates for this term are on the next page** 

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## **SPRING TERM KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES**

*Please note that these dates are subject to change. Any changes and new dates will be notified to you via the weekly newsletter.*

- 24<sup>th</sup> January – WOW! Basketball Day for whole school with Paul Sturgess. PE kits needed.
- 29<sup>th</sup> January – Year 1 & 2 KS1 Primary Games Dodgeball tournament MCSC- letter to follow
- 31<sup>st</sup> January – Class 3 visit from Malton Secondary School “Story Telling through Drama”
- 3<sup>rd</sup> February – First Maypole Dancing lesson after school Years 3-6
- 4<sup>th</sup> February – Schools Swimming gala Derwent Pool – TBC
- 4<sup>th</sup> February – Under 11 Netball event at Ampleforth College – TBC
- 7<sup>th</sup> February – Mobile Library
- 10<sup>th</sup> February – Second Maypole Dancing lesson after school Years 3-6
- 14<sup>th</sup> February – Class 4 visit from Malton Secondary School “Masked Theatre”
- 14<sup>th</sup> February – Last day of half term
- 24<sup>th</sup> February – First day back from half term holidays
- 24<sup>th</sup> February – Class 2 first swimming lesson St Albans Centre – letter to follow
- 24<sup>th</sup> February – Third Maypole Dancing lesson after school Years 3-6
- 26<sup>th</sup> February – Class 4 Malton School Science Bus visit
- 26<sup>th</sup> February – **No after school clubs due to whole staff training**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> March – Class 2 second swimming lesson St Albans Centre
- 3<sup>rd</sup> March – Fourth Maypole Dancing lesson after school Years 3-6
- 5<sup>th</sup> March – KS2 Primary Games Netball and Basketball tournament MCSC – letter to follow
- 6<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day
- 7<sup>th</sup> March – Class 2 visit from Malton Secondary School “Puppet Making & Performance”
- 7<sup>th</sup> March – Mobile Library
- 10<sup>th</sup> March – Class 2 third swimming lesson St Albans Centre
- 10<sup>th</sup> March – Fifth Maypole Dancing lesson after school Years 3-6
- 12<sup>th</sup> March – Norton College Football tournament – TBC
- 17<sup>th</sup> March – Class 2 fourth swimming lesson St Albans Centre
- 17<sup>th</sup> March – Sixth Maypole dancing lesson after school Years 3-6
- 18<sup>th</sup> March – Class 3 & 4 Parents’ Evening – letter to follow
- 19<sup>th</sup> March – Class 3 & 4 Parents’ Evening -
- 21<sup>st</sup> March – Red Nose Day
- 24<sup>th</sup> March – Class 2 fifth swimming lesson St Albans Centre
- 24<sup>th</sup> March – Seventh Maypole dancing lesson after school Years 3-6
- 25<sup>th</sup> March – Class 1 & 2 Parents’ Evening – letter to follow
- 26<sup>th</sup> March – Class 1 & 2 Parents’ Evening
- 28<sup>th</sup> March – FOSS Mother’s Day Flower Stall & Raffle
- 31<sup>st</sup> March – Class 2 last swimming lesson St Albans Centre
- 31<sup>st</sup> March – Eighth Maypole dancing lesson after school Years 3-6
- 2<sup>nd</sup> April – KS1 Primary Games Mixed Sports Event MCSC – letter to follow
- 4<sup>th</sup> April – Mobile library
- 4<sup>th</sup> April – Last Day of Term. Easter Assembly in Church- TBC - early finish after assembly.

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