



SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thursday 27th March 2025

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A Message from Mr Smith

Thank you to all parents and carers who attended our Class 1 and 2 parents' evenings this week. It was lovely to catch up with you all and talk about your super children.

We hope you have all been getting your thinking caps on for ideas for the spectacular Scarecrow Trail which our amazing FOSS organise every year. It is a really fantastic community event when the village comes to life with visitors; we have the FOSS pop-up shop; the car boot sale and the May Day celebrations. Scarecrows can come in all shapes and sizes and there is no level of creative ability needed! Please provide your entries by Tuesday 1st April (further details are below in the FOSS section).

It is our Volunteer Day on Saturday to spruce up our outside area 10am to 2pm. If you are able to spare an hour or two, we have lots of fun jobs on our list! Please bring your own gardening tools, drinks and snacks!

As the weather has improved significantly of late, we have noticed that families are spending more time socialising on The Green after school pick-up, which is lovely after the many months of rain and darkness. Please could I ask parents/carers to encourage children not to play too rough in front of school at the end of the day, or climb the trees. We stress on the playground and in school the importance of keeping our hands and feet to ourselves to the children, and – whilst I understand that after-school we have no jurisdiction over how children play and behave and children need to 'blow off steam' – it would help to provide a consistent message whilst they are in school uniform and in front of school.

We have also been asked by the local community to remind our families to park considerately. Please do not park on Railway Street before the bend on approach to school as this is causing a hazard, nor on any grass verges. Please use Main Street opposite the Castle if there are no spaces around The Green. Many thanks.

Last week's house point totals were: Dragon: 249, Griffin: 240, Pegasus: 242 and Phoenix: 292. Congratulations to Phoenix house on your victory. The term is almost at an end and next week we will be adding your 'token points' to your point totals to decide on our overall winner for the Spring term.

Next Friday, we would like to warmly welcome all our families to attend our Easter Celebration assembly at Slingsby church at 1pm. Rev. Jane Brown will be in attendance; the classes will be performing songs/poetry and our usual weekly awards will be given out.

Have a great weekend. Mr Smith



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- We are pleased to confirm we raised £158 for Red Nose Day. You can still make a donation using this link <https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=17495>.
- Class 2 had their penultimate swimming lesson this week and their progress has been very impressive.
- Our Maypole dancers are looking great at rehearsals on a Monday after school and we are all looking forward to their performance on May Day.
- On Tuesday morning, Year 5 were invited to attend a performance of 'We Will Rock You' at Malton School. They really enjoyed the performance and the lovely refreshments during the interval! The children at Malton School were incredibly talented; we really enjoyed seeing their performance and felt very welcomed. A huge thank you and well done to the cast at Malton School!
- We had an external financial review this week as part of the DfE's drive to further tighten school budgets. We will receive a report in the coming weeks.
- Please clear any Parent Pay debt by the end of the next Monday as we have to have an accurate record of our finances for our financial year end.
- Class 1 & 2 school are attending Monk Park Farm on Tuesday. Please remember to refer to the letter sent for a list of all the items the children need on the day. If you wish sun cream to be reapplied during the day, a sunscreen form must be completed.
- Next Friday, we will be holding an Easter Service in Slingsby Church at 1pm and you are all very welcome. After the service the children will all come back to school but you may collect them for an early end of term finish. Sports Club will be on as usual.



Year 4 & 5 Peat Rigg Reminder

May we remind all Year 4 and 5 families that a deposit of £20 is due for October's five-day residential payable via Parent Pay no later than 31st March to confirm your child's place. A reducing payment item has also now been set up on Parent Pay for the balance as explained in the letter that was sent out on 28th January.



Menu Change – Easter Eggstravaganza - Weds 2nd April

Next Wednesday, Mrs Saunders is serving Roast Chicken or Veggie Sausage, Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy with Potatoes, Carrots & Broccoli. Easter Chocolate Nest for pudding. There will also be Cheese Sandwich or Tuna Jacket Potato available.



FOSS Update

Mother's Day Stall - This Friday 28th March we will have a stall on the green at 3.30pm selling Spring plants, home baked treats and raffle tickets to win a Mother's Day hamper! Please bring cash.

Scarecrow weekend & Slingsby May Day celebrations - Scarecrow entry deadline next Tuesday 1st April.

Last year this event raised £3,559.90! As one of our biggest fundraisers we need YOUR HELP to continue to make this a success.

You can help by entering a scarecrow, you do not need to live in the village, we just ask that your scarecrow is a child friendly character that families will be able to guess with a clue. The deadline for entries is next Tuesday the 1st April. You can enter by filling out the online form in the link below, completing the form from your child's book bag or email FOSS at friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.com.

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<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfj8BZAFoS1poKYcC5HCLnCsikWW8MSfcqfh2ca3idW8X1FA/viewform?usp=header>

We desperately need volunteers to help us over the weekend Saturday 3rd May - Monday 5th May, a volunteer rota is on display in the school entrance please put your name down for a slot or email FOSS at friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.com. Please see the attached leaflet for more information.



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
- ❖ Mrs. C. Jordan (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead)
- ❖ Mr. T. Storrar (Safeguarding Lead Governor): 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



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