

SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER Thursday 9th October 2025

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A Message from Mrs Jordan

Thank you to everyone who attended our Harvest Service last Friday. It was wonderful to see so many faces and the children all did so well with their performances, a special well done to the children who joined us in September as this was their first school event and they did brilliantly, we were very proud. We were able to give your generous donations to the Ryedale Food Bank which was greatly appreciated; thank you.

We have it on good authority that Class Curie are having a fantastic time at Peat Rigg with Mr Smith and Miss Secker! They have been caving, learning bush skills, abseiling, canoeing and orienteering to name but a few! We look forward to hearing all about their adventures on their return. In their absence, we have been busy enjoying the sunshine and mild weather and making the most of the extra space on the playground for some fantastic activities including parachute games, hurdles and a long jump mat. Class Bolt enjoyed playing 'The Game of actual Life' on Wednesday and carried out a range of activities thinking about their aspirations and dreams for when they are older and also learning about money and banking. Class Hamza have had an excellent week of leaning and they have enjoyed reflecting on their memory boxes and thinking about birthdays. Gold Class have relished being the eldest members of school and have risen to the challenge of being superb role models for all.

Well done to all our pupils for continuing to be rewarded with lots of dojo points and tokens and for following our Slingsby Values. The number of dojo points and tokens from this week will be added onto next weeks results, so we will all have to be patient and have another brilliant week to earn even more.



School News

- We have had a table outside all week with unlabelled school uniform (including Hamza's so remember to pop around to the main entrance). Please have a look through if your child is missing any items. Please can we ask that ALL school uniform is clearly labelled so that we can return them to their rightful owners at the end of the day if the children have not managed to pop them onto their peg.
- Please remember to send your child's Christmas card designs back into school, we have had some colourful cards so far and the artistic skills of the children is incredible.
- We were excited to receive our Nunnington Hall Christmas decoration kits this week. We are privileged to have been invited once again to take part in their Christmas displays and will be working hard on our decorations in Art lessons.
- Next week, our Year 3 & 4s have been invited to attend a Malton Community Sports Centre Football tournament on Wednesday afternoon. Please check your emails for further details.
- Please do join us next Thursday evening at 6.30pm for the FOSS AGM in school. We are very
 fortunate to have a really amazing FOSS team supporting us, but new volunteers are desperately

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needed. If you are unable to attend the meeting but are willing to help at events, please email friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk They would love to hear from you.

Vaccination UK is attending Slingsby school next Friday, 17th October to provide flu vaccinations for all children. If you <u>DO NOT</u> wish for your child to have a flu vaccination, please complete a **NO** consent via the same link Vaccination UK Immunisation.



Eco School Update

Following on from our Eco Schools award with distinction that the awarded last year, it is now time for us to start working towards this year's award.

Classes are currently selecting their Eco Champions who will be the 'Green Voice' in the classroom promoting recycling and sustainability in all areas.

To kick off this year's work the school will once again be taking part in Carbon Free November.

Cut Your Carbon November is a month-long UK-wide challenge supported by Eco-Schools that encourages young people and their families to reduce their carbon footprints by completing six simple actions. The main goals of the campaign are:

Raise Awareness: To educate young people about what carbon emissions are and how they contribute to climate change.

Promote Sustainable Behaviour: To encourage long-term changes in behaviour that lead to lower carbon footprints.

Empower Action: To demonstrate that small, manageable changes at an individual and family level can make a significant difference.

So, watch out for the challenges that will be coming home soon and join us in trying to reduce our carbon footprint.



FOSS UPDATE

FOSS AGM - Thursday 16th October

The FOSS AGM is next week in School at 6.30pm, please come to the main entrance. We warmly encourage anyone who is interested in helping FOSS raise funds for our school to come along.

Christmas Card Deadline - Monday 20th October

All Christmas card designs have now been sent home, please check book bags and return the forms to school by Monday 20th October.

FOSS Halloween Party - Thursday 23rd October

We are delighted to invite all children from Slingsby school to the FOSS Halloween Party for a disco and games on Thursday 23rd October which will take place from 3.30 - 5.00pm in the Village Hall. Staff will accompany the children to the village hall after school, once at the party the children will be supervised by parent and carer volunteers.

If your child(ren) would like to attend the party, please complete the attendance form and purchase tickets in advance through ParentPay. There will be no tickets sales on the door. Further details are on the attached poster and the attendance form, which can be found by scanning the QR code on the poster or by clicking the following link - FOSS Halloween Party 23rd October.

If you are able to volunteer to help with setting up, during the party, clearing up afterwards or are able to donate baked items to sell at the party tuck shop please add this to your form or email friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk

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Pre-Loved Uniform

Due to limited capacity in the committee, we are changing our pre-loved uniform offer and will no longer be accepting donations of plain, non-logo uniform. Logo'd uniform will be available to purchase at a popup sale rather than via email, please check the newsletter for future sale dates. If you are interested in helping run our pre-loved uniform, please email friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk, we would love to hear from you.

Changes in FOSS

A huge thank you to Kathryn Fairweather for her tireless work as Chair and to Lisa Cuthbert for her fantastic work as treasurer of FOSS for the last couple of years. They do a huge amount of work behind the scenes and, together with a wonderful FOSS team and school families, have raised more money than ever for our lovely school. This year at the AGM both Kathryn and Lisa will be stepping down from their officer roles. We have a person interested in the role of treasurer but the role of Chair will be vacant. Please get in touch if you are interested in finding more about FOSS or the officer roles, the Chair is a role that can be shared and opens up a wonderful opportunity to develop the work of FOSS and continue with the calendar of events to raise much needed funds for our wonderful school.



Increase in Club Prices after Half Term

As we are sure you are aware from the news and our updates, finances are tighter than ever for schools at the moment, and our costs continue to rise. We do our very best to try to keep all costs to the very minimum across school. After half term, however, Breakfast Club and After School Clubs will increase by 50p per session. Sports Club will remain FOC paid for out of our PE & Sport Premium funding and Chill Club will remain the same. Many thanks for your understanding.



Reception Place Applications Open

Applications for a place at primary school in September 2026 in North Yorkshire can be made from next week. Please go to <u>School admissions | North Yorkshire Council</u> and the deadline is 15th January 2026. Secondary school applications should be made by 31st October 2025



Child Welfare and Safeguarding - who to speak to

Details of our safeguarding contacts can be found on our website at <u>Safeguarding & Child Protection</u> - <u>Slingsby Community Primary School</u>. 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)
- Mrs. R. Welch (Safeguarding Governor)

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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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