



SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thursday 13th November 2025



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A Message from Mr Smith

We marked Remembrance Day on Tuesday with a whole school assembly in chapel with Reverend Jane Brown. Our art clubbers made an incredible remembrance wreath which was on display on Slingsby Church for their service on Sunday 9th which was then moved to Chapel on Tuesday for the Remembrance Service.

Staff and children came to school on Monday sporting odd socks to recognise anti-bullying week to celebrate individuality and promote kindness.

Year 6 were delighted to be invited to decorate the Castle Howard Chapel Christmas tree on Tuesday with prayer baubles which they made in school. The pupils were treated to a sneak preview of the festive decorations. If you are going to see The Wonderful Wizard of Oz over the coming weeks, please look out for our prayer baubles in the Chapel.

It was lovely to see parents and carers of children in Class Hamza and Bolt at our Parents' Evenings this week; and we look forward to meeting parents of Class Gold and Curie next week. Email confirmations were sent out 5th November so if you have not received an email, please contact the school office. Following our Class Gold and Curie Parents' Evenings next week, we will be inviting all our parents and carers to complete an online questionnaire. Details of this will follow in next week's newsletter.

Tomorrow, our amazing FOSS team will be holding a social 'Meet and Greet' at 3:30pm in Class Hamza. All are welcome to attend and it will be a great way of getting to know the Friends of Slingsby School team; learn about how they raise vital funds for school; and how our whole school community can contribute to their excellent work.

Last week's house point totals were: Dragon - 264, Griffin: 281- Pegasus 272- & Phoenix - 285. Well done to Phoenix house!

Have a lovely weekend! Mr. Smith



School News

- Class Gold had their first swimming lesson on Monday. A reminder that next week's lesson is taking place on the Friday instead of the Monday due to pool maintenance works.
- Class Curie attended a Tag-Rugby event at Norton College on Wednesday afternoon; and played games against: Norton, West Heslerton, Rillington, Langton & Settrington. Their attitude and sporting behaviour was outstanding and they represented Slingsby School impeccably; and – as you can see from the results below – did rather well!

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Results:

Slingsby Dragons	Slingsby Lions	Slingsby Tigers
Won 4, Drawn 1, Lost 0	Won 1, Drawn 1, Lost 3	Won 4, Drawn 0, Lost 1
League A Champions	League B 4 th place	League C Runners Up

- It is Children in Need Day tomorrow and everyone is invited to wear something stripy or spotty (non-uniform day). Donations can be made via Parent Pay using this link - [Children In Need 2025](#)
- The Xmas4schools orders arrived this week and have been handed out. If you haven't received your order, please contact the school office.
- We would like to invite Class Curie families to join us for a Peat Rigg Evening on Monday 1st December at 5pm to look at all the photographs from the year 5 and 6 residential and to regale all our stories.



FEAST Update

As defined by the Department for Education, FEAST is primarily for children and young people who receive benefits-related free school meals. However, schools can also make a small number of additional children and young people eligible by exception if **they face significant financial and/or other disadvantage**. There are limits on how many children/young people can be made eligible by exception, to ensure that the focus of the programme remains on the Department for Education's key audience: those on benefits-related free school meals. If you believe your child should be made eligible for FEAST, please contact the school to request this.

This Christmas, FEAST is trialling a new, fairer booking process as they know how popular FEAST activities are, so they are changing the way they allocate places so more children can join in.

- Parents / carers can make their booking requests from midday **Monday 17th November**
- Places will be allocated from **Friday 21st November**

This window gives families a few days to browse activities and make their booking requests **before** any spaces are allocated, and will help to ensure as many children and young people as possible can take part. Parents/carers will receive confirmation if their child has a booking from Friday 21st November onwards. After the first week, remaining places will be allocated on an ongoing basis. Activity providers will be using a Waiting List system to allocate places to the children and young people, ensuring as many children/young people as possible have access to at least one activity

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FOSS UPDATE

FOSS AGM

Please see the attached minutes from the FOSS AGM last month.

Children in Need Bake Sale and Meet the FOSS Team - This Friday 14th November

FOSS are running a stall selling homemade biscuits and traybakes for £1 at 3.30pm on the green with all proceeds being donated to Children in Need. Please bring along some cash and help us support this great cause.

Then pop into school and meet the FOSS team afterwards! This is an informal way to chat with other parents, find out what events FOSS run, including the upcoming Christmas party, Christmas Draw, what sort of events and equipment we fund including the upcoming whole school panto trip, who we are and how you can help. There will be a few of the team available to ask questions, come along to Class Hamza's (Class 1) side door at 3.30pm pickup. Please see the attached poster for more details.

Non-Uniform and Tombola Donation Day - Friday 28th November

In exchange for being able to wear non-uniform, please bring in a Christmassy item to donate to the tombola stall which will be held at the Christmas Productions. We are asking for donations of: sweets, chocolates, small novelty Christmassy items, craft items, games, wine or food - anything that you would like to win as a tombola prize yourself. Please have them ready to drop off in tubs at the school entrances on the morning of the 28th. Thank you!

Christmas Party - Thursday 18th December

We are delighted to invite all children of Slingsby School to the annual FOSS Christmas Party on Thursday 18th December. This is a FOSS event run by parent and carer volunteers and includes a party tea, entertainment provided by Magic Mike, plus a gift for each child.

Party food is kindly donated by school families and you might have seen a list up at parent's evening for food donations required for each class. Please sign your name next to any items for your child's class that you are able to donate. These should be brought to school on the morning of the Christmas party. Please also sign the volunteer list if you are able to help with either setting up, during the party or clearing up afterwards. More information about the party and how to confirm your child/men's attendance to follow soon.

Christmas Draw Tickets

Please check book bags for Christmas Draw tickets which will be coming home in the next few days. We have some fantastic prizes to be won including a tasting menu for two with wine pairing at The Pheasant Hotel in Harome, an overnight stay at Roma Rose, tickets for the Ice Factor at Yorkshire's Winter Wonderland, tickets for Light water Valley, a £50 voucher for Myse in Hovingham, plus many more.

Please sell all your draw tickets and return the sold tickets along with the money and any unsold tickets to school by Fri 5th December.

If you run out ask the school office or email friendsofslingsbyschool.co.uk for more. There is also a prize for the family that sells the most tickets! Please see the attached poster for more details.



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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
- ❖ Mrs. C. Jordan (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead)
- ❖ Mrs. R. Welch (Safeguarding Governor)

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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