



SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER
Thursday 19th March 2026

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A Message from Mr Smith

It has been really great to meet up with our Class Hamza and Bolt parents and carers this week, and to hear the wonderful reports from teachers as to how our superstar children are progressing. Well done everyone! We look forward to seeing Class Gold and Class Curie families next week.

I apologise it has taken us so long to rearrange our Peat Rigg evening for our Year 5 & 6 families but we have a new date in the diary! Please join us on Monday 20th April at 5.30pm to enjoy all the photos and hear about the fun we had.

I am also pleased to announce that we are going to be holding our Slingsby's Got Talent Night earlier in the year on Thursday 21st May in the Village Hall at 6pm. This is always a brilliant night where children from across the school have the opportunity to wow us with their vast range of talents, as well as hearing Mr Conlan and his pianists and Miss Noble Coates with the choir. Please encourage your children to start thinking about what they might like to do, and family members are very welcome to perform too! Entry forms will be emailed out after the Easter Holidays.

Last week's house point totals were: Dragon - 202, Griffin – 256, Pegasus – 200 & Phoenix - 234. Well done to Griffin house!

Don't forget tomorrow is Comic Relief's Red Nose Day. We will be fundraising for children and families in need by letting the children have a non-uniform day with a red theme in exchange for a donation. Please use this link to donate:

[Click here for Slingsby School Comic Relief Donation Page](#)

Wishing you a wonderful weekend, Mr Smith



School News

- We have all loved being out in the sunshine this week! A lot of children were asking for sunhats at break times and we do have a good supply in school, but as the temperatures rise, please do send the children in with their own sunhats and sunscreen.
- Yesterday, Class Curie attended an inter primary school Handball, Basketball and Netball event at Malton Community Sports Centre which was a lot of fun in the sunshine! Miss Secker and Mrs McCandless reported back that the children were superb ambassadors for the school demonstrating great team spirit and camaraderie. Our Handball Team came 5th, our Netball team came 2nd with an impressive hattrick from Isla, and our Basketball team came 1st! A huge well done to everyone!

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- Please can class Curie make sure the Slingsby School sports tops come back to us as soon as possible ready for our next event.
- Mrs Beal from Malton Secondary came into school yesterday to talk to the Year 6 children who are moving up to Malton in September and Mrs Beal did her best to answer their many questions!
- We hope everyone has received their Scarecrow entry forms which were sent home with the children this week. The Easter Holidays are the perfect opportunity for constructing a scarecrow to join the trail. All contributions of scarecrows, volunteering and baking are hugely appreciated. Please see the FOSS section below for more details.
- Monday is Class Bolt's last swimming lesson for the term. Thank you very much to all the volunteer helpers who have very kindly joined us.
- Next week there will be a FOSS pre-loved uniform stall in the Chapel School Room every afternoon from 3pm so please take the opportunity to have a browse.
- Please can we remind our families to check Parent Pay for any outstanding debt and to book and pay ahead for lunches and clubs. It is our financial year end and we need our accounts to be up to date. There should be no debt on Parent Pay. Many thanks.
- Next week is the last week of term and you are all very welcome to join us at our Easter Service on Friday 27th March in Slingsby Church at 1.15pm. Children may leave school once we have returned back from Church if you wish to take them early, which will be approximately 2pm. Please ensure your children take their PE kits, coats, packed lunch boxes etc with them for the holidays, and we will be reminding them too!



Eco Champions Turn up the Heat!

The Eco Champions have been lucky enough to be loaned an infrared camera by Hovingham's Project Purple, a community action group dedicated to making Hovingham carbon neutral by the 2030's. We wanted to use this as part of our ENERGY topic looking at ways we can save energy within school.

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The first thing to know about thermal cameras is they don't work like regular cameras. Thermal imagers **make pictures from heat, not visible light**. Heat sensed by an infrared camera can be very precisely measured. It can detect tiny differences in heat—as small as 0.01°C—and display them as different colours. Everything we encounter in our day-to-day lives gives off thermal energy—even ice. The hotter something is the more thermal energy it emits. Each colour on the image corresponds to a specific temperature range, allowing users to identify hot and cold spots effectively. Blues and Purples indicate lower temperatures. This can be useful for identifying drafts, insulation issues, or cold surfaces. Yellows and Oranges represent moderate temperatures. They indicate areas that are warmer than the cooler regions but not the hottest. Reds and White show the hottest areas and are often used to identify potential hazards, such as overheating electrical components or hot machinery.

In our meeting this week the group got to grips with how the camera works. They tried pointing it at various surfaces to see which colours they could see. They also tried predicting what colour patterns they would see at say a window or an open door. They had lots of fun and worked really hard.

Next week we will be trying to find areas in the school which might be letting in cold or letting out heat and see if we can think of ways to save energy. Hopefully we will have some images to share with you.



FOSS Update

Thanks for supporting our Mother's Day stall which raised a fantastic £183!

Pre-loved Uniform Sale - Every day next week!

We will have our wide selection of excellent quality pre-loved uniform on display every day from Monday 23rd until Friday 27th March in the Chapel School Rooms. Pop along and have a browse between 3-4pm. Cash and card payments accepted and with items from as little as £1 you can stock up for the Summer term!

Scarecrow weekend & Slingsby May Day celebrations - Saturday 2nd May - Monday 4th May

Please check in book bags for scarecrow entry forms and enter a scarecrow if you can!

Also keep an eye out for the volunteer sign-up sheets at parents evening which will have time slots for running a stall on the Monday, or helping in the pop-up cafe over the bank holiday weekend.

We will be collecting jarbola donations on Friday 24th April for non-uniform day. If you could please fill a jar with something fun like craft items, sweets, toys, or hair accessories. and bring it to school on the morning.

FOSS Dates for Diary Next Term

Friday 17th April - Bag2Scool collection

Friday 24th April - Non-uniform day and jarbola donations

Saturday 2nd - Monday 4th May - Scarecrow Trail & May Day Celebrations

Saturday 27th June - Duck Race & Family Fun Day



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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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