



## SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2026

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### A Message from Mr Smith

As per our communication sent out on Tuesday, this week's Slingsby's Got Talent event has been moved to an extended 'Slingsby's Got Talent' assembly in the village hall on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June, starting at 2pm at which the children will be invited to perform - alongside our choir members - and we warmly welcome parents, carers, family members and friends to attend.

As part of our commitment to safety education and fostering positive community relationships, we are delighted to announce that PC Jane Jones will be resuming her regular visits to school, which started this week. PC Jane Jones is well-known to our school community and has previously provided engaging sessions for our students. During these visits, she will spend approximately 30 minutes with each class, giving the children plenty of time to ask any questions they may have and to learn about the role of the police in our community. These sessions are designed to be friendly, interactive, and reassurance-focussed. During Tuesday's visit, every child had the opportunity to sit in the back of a police van and PC Jones showed them all her equipment, followed by a demonstration of the police siren (which was VERY loud!) She also talked about her uniform and the many different hats worn by members of the police force. The children asked lots of really interesting questions and really enjoyed her visit.

It is always wonderful to take part in local community events and this Wednesday the school choir were invited to sing to all those who attended the Soupa Lunch Event in the Methodist Chapel. The children took great pride in representing our school and had a fantastic time performing. The choir felt so welcomed and they were buzzing afterwards. Thank you to Miss Secker and Ms Breese for accompanying our children.

Last week's house point were: Dragon - 374, Griffin - 364, Pegasus - 342 and Phoenix - 350. Well done to house Phoenix house!

We have made good progress with finalising our plans for next year and I will email all our families with more information following our return to school after half term.

Wishing you all a lovely sunny and warm bank holiday weekend. Mr Smith.



### School News

- The School Photography Company came yesterday to take Class group photos, Year 6 leavers' photo, the pictures of the children who missed the individual pictures before Christmas, and Year 6 leaver's videos. Your child will be given a QR card after half term which you will need to place an order. All orders placed before 13<sup>th</sup> June 2026 to get free delivery to School.

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- Class 1 Hamza swimming lessons will be starting on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June. Thank you for completing your child's online swimming ability.
- The children in EYFS, Year 1 and 2 enjoyed a very special trip to the York Mosque today where they heard all about Islam and the Mosque from the Imam. The children visited the Prayer Hall and were shown features of the Mosque, including a copy of the Quran before Year 1 posed questions that they had prepared
- It is going to be very hot tomorrow. Please ensure your child brings a **named sunhat**, a **water bottle**, and has **sun cream applied** before school. We will be keeping children in the shade where possible and ensuring they have access to water. Thank you!
- Mrs Massey and Miss Hope completed the Summer census today.
- The Duck Race Sponsor Forms should have come home on Tuesday ready for half term duck selling! It is not long to go before the big Duck Race on 27<sup>th</sup> June!
- Please see key dates for next half term on the last page of the newsletter for your diaries.



## Menu Change

Due to today's Seaside Themed lunch, Mrs Spencer will be doing Chicken Korma on Friday instead of Fish Fingers. The alternatives remain the same.



## Eco Schools Update – World Environment Day 2026

Our Eco Champions have taken a bit of a break recently while all the May Day celebrations were taking place and SATs were on. We want to let you know about our next event.

World Environment Day 2026 will be held on Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> June 2026, hosted by the Republic of Azerbaijan in Baku, with a focus on urgent climate action. So, we will be raising the awareness of Climate change as well as raising funds to adopt a WWF Giant Panda. As part of our Global Citizen topic, we are looking at environmental work happening further afield and across the world.

We are asking everyone to "Wear it Wild" for the day in exchange for a £1 donation. You can dress as your favourite animal, wear spots or stripes, or even come dressed as an environmental explorer. Let your imagination run wild.



## FOSS Update

### **Duck Race and Family Fun Day - Saturday 27th June**

You should have all received a duck sponsorship form in bookbags, if you haven't received one or if you need extra forms, please ask a member of FOSS or email [friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk).

There are prizes for the three families that sell the most ducks so sell as many as you can! The deadline for forms and money to be returned to school is Friday 19th June.

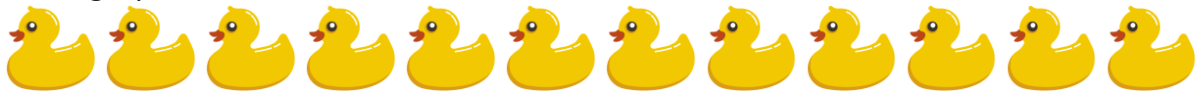
These events wouldn't happen without our wonderful helpers, and we need more volunteers and bakers to ensure it is a success! You may even have a child at the older end of school who would like to get involved by painting nails or being the goalie in 'Beat the Goalie' - all help is very welcome!

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If you or someone you know are able to help for a couple of hours or would like more information about what's involved please chat to a member of FOSS or email [friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk).



### **Eduspot – Polite reminder to download the new app**

As per our email sent to all on 9<sup>th</sup> Feb 2026, the Teachers2Parents (Eduspot) App, which we use for sending out quick updates, has been upgraded and Slingsby School families now need to download the NEW Eduspot Mobile App. The purpose of the App is to keep you informed and involved in school life. It's a free, easy-to-use messaging service engagement App that lets us send important updates and notifications directly to your phone. Eduspot is available on the App Store (for Apple iPhone or iPad) or on Google Play (for Android smartphones or tablets). For help with installing the App and logging in, please see the poster attached.

#### Getting started is easy:

1. Download the App from the [edsp.co/getapp](https://edsp.co/getapp) or scan the QR code on the attached poster.
2. Sign in using your **FIRST school contact's** email address and mobile number. You do not need to be issued with a username or password.
3. For security, you will then receive a One Time Password (OTP). If you don't receive that OTP, it may mean we have the wrong contact details for you. Just get in touch with the school office, and we'll sort it out.

If you haven't done so already, we encourage all parents/carers to download the new app. Once you have installed the new App, **please delete the old Teachers2Parents App from your phone** as this is now obsolete, which is why some people have been experiencing problems.

Please contact the school office if you have any problems accessing the new App and we will do our best to help.



### **Transpennine Trail - Kids' May Half Term activity pack**

We're delighted to share our brand-new **Kids' May Half Term Activity Pack**, filled with fun nature-themed activities including an i-Spy challenge, planting seeds, a recipe and a puzzle for families to enjoy during the holiday. It's a great way to inspire children to get creative, explore the outdoors, and learn more about the outdoors and the Trans Pennine Trail.

With colourful characters leading the way, this activity pack inspires kids to discover spring wildlife, get creative, and enjoy the magic of the outdoors. There are opportunities to share their adventures and to earn a digital certificate.

The packs are ideal for Key Stage 1 and 2, but there's something for everyone – whether you're a teacher, parent, or young explorer. They're perfect for use on the Trail, in your local park, or even indoors on a rainy day. Every pack is designed to help everyone learn, play, and make memories while exploring the outdoors.

The activity pack can be used 'on the go' by downloading it to a mobile or can be printed at home. **We'd obviously prefer parents to download the pack themselves so if you could share the link with them, it**

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**would be appreciated.** But we can send out printed copies to people who don't have a printer or are unable to access the website if they get in touch with us.

Download it from our Children's page at: [Welcome to our Children's Page | Trans Pennine Trail](#) or by clicking the image below. And if you want to find out more about the Trail in your area, check out our leaflets page on our website at, [TPT Leaflet Page | Trans Pennine Trail](#) where you can download the leaflet for the Trail in your area.



## **SUMMER TERM 2 KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES**

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

- 1<sup>st</sup> June – Teacher training day
- 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Children back to school
- 2<sup>nd</sup> June – YR, Y1, Y2 trip to Duncombe Park- letter to follow
- 3<sup>rd</sup> June – New Reception Starters' Parents Evening with Miss Pearce 5.30pm
- 5<sup>th</sup> June – World Environment Day – “Wear it Wild” for £1, see above
- 8<sup>th</sup> June – Class 1 first swimming lessons
- 8<sup>th</sup> June - Phonics screening week
- 9<sup>th</sup> June – Slingsby's Got Talent Assembly 2pm Village Hall
- 13<sup>th</sup> June – Deadline for photograph orders
- 15<sup>th</sup> June – Class 1 second swimming lesson
- 16<sup>th</sup> June – Reception starters settling in session & all classes move up 1.15pm
- 17<sup>th</sup> June – KS1 Mixed Sports Event Y1 & 2 MCSC – letter to follow
- 17<sup>th</sup> June – Yorkshire Water Summer safety talks
- 18<sup>th</sup> June – Change of Menu - World Cup Lunch
- 19<sup>th</sup> June – FOSS Father's Day doughnuts
- 22<sup>nd</sup> June – Class 1 third swimming lesson
- 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> June – Year 6 Bikeability course
- 23<sup>rd</sup> June - Reception starters settling in session & all classes move up 10.15am
- 25<sup>th</sup> June – Y5 Experience Day Malton School
- 26<sup>th</sup> June – Sports Day 1pm Sports Field
- 27<sup>th</sup> June – Slingsby Duck Race and fair on the Sports Field
- 29<sup>th</sup> June – Class 1 fourth swimming
- 30<sup>th</sup> June – Year 3 – 6 Swimming gala evening event
- 1<sup>st</sup> July - Reception starters settling in session & all classes move up 10.15am
- 1<sup>st</sup> July – Y5 & 6 Olympics MCSC – letter to follow
- 2<sup>nd</sup> July – Reserve Sports Day if poor weather on 26<sup>th</sup>
- 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Speedkix - whole School treat day
- 6<sup>th</sup> July – Class 1 fifth swimming lesson
- 7<sup>th</sup> July – Science Bus visit
- 7<sup>th</sup> July - FGB Meeting
- 8<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 trip to Flamingo Land and Florios

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- 10<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Crucial Crew day
- 13<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers’ Picnic
- 13<sup>th</sup> July – Class 1 last swimming lesson
- 14<sup>th</sup> July – Whole School Beach Day
- 16<sup>th</sup> July – Reserve Beach Day if poor weather on 14<sup>th</sup>
- 17<sup>th</sup> July – End of Year & Leaver’s Assembly, Slingsby Village Hall 1pm, everyone welcome!

### **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)
  - ❖ 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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