



SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER
Thursday 25th June 2026

It's the fabulous Duck Race weekend!



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A Message from Mr Smith

It's certainly been a hot week in school! To help everyone cope with the rising temperatures, we have made several adaptations to our daily routine, such as adapted timetables, classroom fans, frequent water breaks, altered menu and gazebos for outdoor shelter. We have intentionally kept this week a little less active than usual – especially during lunch time. Thanks to these measures (and an afternoon break ice-lolly cooldown), we have all successfully managed to survive the heat.

Due to the forecasted extreme temperatures, we had to make the difficult decision on Tuesday to postpone the Sports Day planned for tomorrow afternoon. We appreciate that this sudden change may cause some disruption to your plans, and we sincerely apologise for any inconvenience this may cause. Thank you so much for your understanding, flexibility, and continued support. We look forward to enjoying a safe, cooler, and fun-filled Sports Day with you on Thursday 2nd July at 1pm.

We are incredibly proud to announce that our Year 6 pupils have successfully completed their Bikeability training this week! Throughout the programme, the children developed essential road safety awareness and crucial cycling skills, learning how to ride confidently and responsibly. Whether they were mastering their Level 1 manoeuvring or taking to the local roads for Level 2, the children showed fantastic focus, determination, and resilience. The Bikeability instructors were extremely impressed with our pupils. They praised the children's excellent effort, positive attitude, and maturity throughout the two days. A huge well done to our Year 6s for representing our school so brilliantly and learning a vital life skill.

A big thank you to former Slingsby School pupils Oscar and Ellie, who finish their work experience with us tomorrow. Throughout the week, they have shown great enthusiasm, a genuine willingness to learn, and a fantastic attitude. We have thoroughly enjoyed having them with us and wish them the very best in their future studies and careers.

We are very much looking forward to our annual Duck Race and Family Fun Day is splashing into action this Saturday! Please join us for a quackin' good time with inflatables, games, stalls, food, and the main event—the big race down the beck. The attached flyers have more details. Please bring your friends, family, and your cheering voices, as all proceeds go to Friends of Slingsby School. I wanted to say a HUGE thank you to all the children for their incredible effort in gathering duck sponsors – it means the world to us all in school!

Last week's house point result were: Dragon – 332, Griffin – 277, Pegasus – 316 and Phoenix – 268.

As always, have a lovely weekend. Mr Smith



School News

- To ensure all children are protected as soon as they arrive in school, parents/carers are responsible for applying (at least SPF30+) sun cream to their children before school.

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Unfortunately, school staff do not have the capacity to apply initial morning sun cream to the children.

- On Monday, Class Hamza enjoyed their third swimming lesson of the term. With the current warm weather, getting into the pool was a thoroughly welcomed and refreshing experience for the children. They are making wonderful progress.
- On Tuesday, we had our second transition morning. We loved seeing everyone settling in so well and are excited to support the children as they take these next steps. Miss Pearce has been visiting the new reception starters in their nursery settings as well and we look forward to our last session on Wednesday morning.
- Year 5 children attended an experience day at Malton Secondary School today where they got to experience three one-hour activities in Science, Performing Arts and Food/Design Technology.
- Photograph orders were handed out this week so please check your child's bookbag.
- The mobile library will be in the village tomorrow so if you have any library books to return, please hand them to a member of staff and we will pass them on.
- The brilliant annual Duck Race Day takes place on Saturday, details below and on the attached flyer. Please bring any baked goods for the stalls to school tomorrow morning.
- Sports Day will now take place on the Sports Field from 1pm on Thursday 2nd July.
- A letter went out on Monday regarding our highly anticipated annual whole-school Sandsend Beach trip! The children are incredibly excited for our day out by the sea. **Please complete the online consent form to confirm before the end of this week so we know school lunch numbers for this trip.**



FOSS Update

Duck Race and Family Fun Day - This Saturday 27th June from 11am!

Thank you to everyone who has helped in the lead up to this year's Duck Race and Family Fun Day, we are incredibly grateful. If you are donating any baking, please bring this to school tomorrow morning.

Come along this Saturday between 11am and 3pm whether rain or shine and support our last big fundraiser of the school year! We have some fantastic attractions on during the day including an inflatable obstacle course, face painting, tombola, duck biscuit decorating, and lots more along with cake and refreshment stalls and a fantastic BBQ provided by Andrew Pern. The Sports Club bar will also be open.

We are operating a token system again this year for all the stalls and activities except for the BBQ and refreshments where cash or card may be used. Tokens can be purchased at Duck HQ upon entry with cash or card. We will be selling ducks on the day until 1.30pm as well as raffle tickets. There are some amazing raffle prizes including vouchers for Myse, The Durham Ox, William's Den, North York Moors Railway and many more! Please see the attached leaflet for more details about the token system and timings on the day.

Sports Day - Thursday 2nd June

FOSS will be holding a refreshments stall on the playing field during Sports Day selling hot and cold drinks, crisps, and sweets. Cash and card payments accepted.



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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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