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## SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

### Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2017

#### Music Lessons

Mr Conlan comes into school once a week, on Thursday afternoons to teach a child the ukulele, he has asked us to advertise the following:

Ukulele, violin, keyboard and piano lessons in school on Thursday afternoons. Prices start at £68 per term for 10 small group lesson (usual 2-3 per group), though discounts are available if you receive working tax credit or certain other low income benefits. Individual lessons are also available from £130 per term for 20 min lessons, £155 for 25 mins, £175 for 30 mins lesson. Please contact him directly on 0797742522 or [ianconlan@gmail.com](mailto:ianconlan@gmail.com) for more information.



#### Hovingham Tennis Club

Junior Tennis coaching is being offered for 5-10 year olds on 10-14<sup>th</sup> April from 2.30pm to 3.30pm, with Mark Franklin, a level 4 LTS coach. Application forms are available from the office.



#### Private Fostering

If anyone is interested in Private Fostering, we have an information leaflet in the school office giving a 'one minute guide' to fostering. Please see Mrs Metcalfe if you wish to have a copy of this leaflet.



#### Students in school

We would like to wish Miss Dobson all the best as she embarks on her new career as a teacher. She has worked incredibly hard and has successfully passed her final placement.

Miss Georgia Wynn will start her 5 week practice on Monday March 20th in Class 2.



#### Staff News

Mrs Swallow will be out next week on Monday and Tuesday as she is training for her Paediatric First Aid qualification. This is something that must be refreshed every 3 years.



**FOSS** -Open Meeting in school on Tuesday March 21<sup>st</sup> at 7pm. We would be delighted to welcome as many of you as possible to witness for yourself the marvellous work that FOSS does and to be a part of their planning processes. Also a reminder about the Woodland Wander and a request for parents to start thinking about anything they could donate to the pre-loved children's items sale at Scarecrow weekend.



### **Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat**

Mrs Metcalfe and Mrs Magson are taking the Year 5 children to Malton school to view their dress rehearsal on Monday March 27<sup>th</sup>. Due to space issues it is only the Year 5 that have been invited.



### **Don't forget!**

March 28<sup>th</sup> and March 29<sup>th</sup>. = - Seeing is Believing. There are still 2 places left in Mrs Jordan's class but all other slots are now full.

April 4<sup>th</sup> and April 5<sup>th</sup> – Parents Evenings – Most slots are now full.

April 7<sup>th</sup> – Easter Service in All Saints Church. Slingsby – 1.15pm.

April 7<sup>th</sup> – Break-up.



### **School Funding Crisis**

This is very much in the news at the moment and schools face budget cuts which will create difficulties. Despite promises that school funding is ring-fenced, head teachers have been hit with a range of extra costs: higher contributions to national insurance and teachers' pensions, the introduction of the national living wage, pay rises and the apprenticeship levy. On top of all this, per-pupil funding is not rising in line with inflation. The National Audit Office estimates that this equates to cuts of [8% in real terms](#) by 2019-20. Mr Bishop, Rev Freestone and myself attended a meeting in York on Friday to find out what can or cannot be done. We found out that it is inevitable that cuts will be made to all school budgets, but as parents, if you feel strongly enough, please contact your local MP. Please visit [www.schoolcuts.org](http://www.schoolcuts.org) to get a feel of how cuts may affect schools in this area and indeed, the local authority. I can only assure you that the staff and governors of Slingsby work incredibly hard to ensure that public money is spent wisely, but if we don't have it, we can't afford it! Suffice to say, Mrs Magson has hidden the glue sticks!



### **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March – Red Nose Day – Dress in something red for the day**

Sally is planning a special Red Nose Day Lunch:

Cheese & Tomato Pizza with red noses!

Potato Wedges

Vegetable Sticks

Sally's special Ren Nose Chocolate Cake.

Thank you to everyone who has bought a red nose, we are sold out now and have raised £80 for Comic Relief.

