



SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER
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SCHOOL HOUSE & NEW WILDLIFE AREA OPENING CEREMONY WITH THE HONOURABLE NICHOLAS HOWARD ON FRIDAY 18 MAY 2018 at 3PM



Further to our newsletter of 20 April 2018, thank you to all those parents who have confirmed they will be joining us for our exciting opening ceremony on 18 May 2018 at 3pm.

We have a very salubrious guest list so far and we are thrilled to be able to take this opportunity to thank the many people involved in enabling us to achieve such a fantastic new learning environment for our children. We also hope the children themselves will feel great pride in seeing the Honourable Mr Howard cut the ribbon at their school!

In these tough times of never-ending budget cuts, we are incredibly fortunate as a school to be celebrating the opening of a new classroom, office space and wildlife area. None of it would have been possible without an incredible amount of determination, entrepreneurship, imagination, goodwill and generosity from parents, grandparents, villagers, Governors, FOSS, local businesses and the Local Authority. Not forgetting our regular team of willing volunteers who have given up their weekends to help us!

Mrs Massey, Miss Hope and Mrs Metcalfe met with our financial advisor a few weeks ago where it became evident there was a little sum of money to be carried over from savings we made last year and it was unanimously agreed with the approval of our Chair of Governors that some of this money (together with another anonymous donation) could be put towards hosting the Opening Ceremony as a small way of saying a massive heart felt thank you to everyone. We would really love it if you could join us for a cup of tea and slice of cake! We would be grateful if you could please let us know for catering purposes.

We are very excited about the future of Slingsby School which continues to go from strength to strength and we know that our whole school family will benefit hugely from the new additional resources for many years to come.



School News

- We have had lots of visits from prospective Y1/Y2 teachers. The closing date for applications is Tuesday.
- Class 1 enjoyed a local visit to a local fruit & veg shop and garden centre on Wednesday. They were very well behaved and enthusiastic and we had to try to stop a few falling asleep on the bus on the way home!
- Mr Mortimer's operation has been rearranged to 16 May 2018 (and we hope it goes ahead this time!)



New Wildlife Area

Last weekend a group of amazing volunteers put in some back breaking hours to finish the Wildlife Area and we are sure you will agree it looks fantastic. Now we will be focusing on the children planting up the beds with a wide variety of plants and flowers all with different smells and textures. Thank you so much to everyone who helped to create this wonderful space for the children and especially Mr Mortimer for his imagination and time spent planning.



FOSS News

A word from Sarah Raynor, Chair of FOSS..... A massive thank you to Sam Burnett, Sonja Sedran, Vickie Wilson, Charlotte Hope and Emma Massey who organised a fabulous Scarecrow weekend. A fantastic £1,110.00 in total was raised. Thank you also to everyone who made scarecrows, donated cakes, jars for the Jarbola, helped on the stalls and came and supported the event. We couldn't have done it without you all!

The winning scarecrows were:

1st Dory - Class 2 and 3

2nd Scooby Doo - Georgina Burnett

3rd Danger Mouse - Josh McDonald and **John Cena** - Xander England

Photographs taken by the newspaper of the scarecrows and maypole dancing are available on David Harrison's photography website <https://dharrisonyorkphotos.smugmug.com/Galleries/Public-Galleries/Slingsby-Maypole-Dancing> but it is password protected so if you are interested please contact school for the password.



Peanut Allergy

We have a pupil in our school who has a severe nut allergy. It is not just eating nuts that can have repercussions for them but any contact at all can be very serious in terms of their health and well-being. Please help us to keep our school environment safe for everyone by avoiding bringing these or any other nut products into school. Please be extra vigilant about packed lunches in the future and ensure no sandwich fillings have nuts or traces of nuts. If packed lunches include processed/package items, please check ingredients. Thank you so much for your support, helping to assure the safety of all our children in school. For information, please use the link below:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/food-allergy/>



Accounts

Thank you for all monies received to date. We are currently still owed **£389.35** from March and **£505.55** from April broken down as £323.80 for school dinners and £ 181.75 for clubs. **These accounts are in arrears therefore please arrange for prompt payment as non-payment will result in the NYCC debt collection service being activated. Thank you.**



Dates for your diary

18th May 2018 – Opening Ceremony of the School House & wildlife garden

25th May 2018 – Last day of half term

4th June 2018 – School re-opens

11th June – Y6 Crucial Crew

18th June – School photos

2-3rd July - Y6 Edinburgh Trip

8th July – Pet Service for school together with Slingsby & Hovingham villagers

10th July – Sports Day & Family Picnic with Hovingham school

17th July – Whole school beach day

19th July – Entertainment evening

20th July – Last day of summer term & leavers assembly

Ripon Sailing Club Open Day

Saturday 12 May, 10:30am - 4pm. A chance to try sailing and have a coffee and a slice of cake in the Club House! Go to www.ripon-sc.org.uk.



Ryedale District Council Don't be a Waster Campaign

Ryedale DC are asking everyone to join the repair revolution and support local reuse and repair groups in the district. Go to www.ryedale.gov.uk/make-do-mend.

