

SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER Friday 5th October 2018 Slingsby C.P. School The Green Slingsby **North Yorkshire** YO62 4AA (01653) 628370

Head Teacher: **Mrs Georgie Metcalfe BA HONS NPQH**

School News

- Jane, our new cook has had a fabulous first week working alongside Maria our peripatetic cook and learning the ropes!
- Superhero Day was a great success! All the children and staff looked amazing in their outfits. The children enjoyed a superhero theme day. A special mention to Mr Conlan who taught all his lessons dressed as Superman!
- Mrs Metcalfe and Mrs Massey attended the Head Teacher Howardian Hills Alliance, where a number of joint moderation and sports activities were arranged.
- Simon Carson Sports Club came into school this week to run free archery sessions for Years 1 6.
- Mr Smith met with Janet Spittall, deputy head at Amotherby as part of our Maths Mastery course designed to help Slingsby C P further improve the maths provision. This will be an ongoing project over the next year.
- This week we have had a police officer in school. They brought along their handcuffs, a police van and other items for them to try on. The children enjoyed working with them and learning about the job of a police officer.

Chill Club

In the past we have surveyed parents regarding after school provision. As we have a number of new families in school, we felt we should ask again if anyone required Chill Club on a Monday or Friday. Chill Club runs from 3.30pm until 6pm on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Whilst we currently run this 3 times a week, if we had a large enough uptake, we would consider rolling this out, in particular to a Monday. If you have a definite and regular interest in registering your child at Chill Club on these extra days, please would you email admin@slingsby.n-yorks.sch.uk and mark it 'For the Attention of Mrs Metcalfe' stating which days you would require.

ParentPay Accounts

Please can we remind parents to check your ParentPay accounts to avoid increasing arreas. We advise and encourage parents to keep accounts in credit. All meals and after school clubs should be paid in advance. Nonpayment will result in the NYCC debt collection service being activated. Many thanks.

Still Wanted! Top Soil!

If anyone knows of any topsoil going spare please can we use it for school? Some areas of our grass are tired and worn out and we would like to re-seed but we need soil to do this. Please let us know. Thank you!

FOSS Halloween Party

Friends of Slingsby School are hosting a Halloween Party on **Thursday 25th October** at Slingsby Village Hall from 3.45pm to 5.30pm. Tickets are on sale in the School Office for £3.50 each. If you are able to help with the event, please contact FOSS through the Facebook page or you can email them directly at friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.couk. Many thanks.

Junior Rangers – Down on the Farm (4-11 year olds)

Junior Rangers are running some farm themed activities on Wednesday 31st October 2018 at Terrington Village Hall with scarecrow making, farm walk and indoor crafts. £7.50 per child of the day (10am – 3pm) but children must be accompanied by an adult. BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL - SPACES ARE LIMITED. To book contact the Howardian Hill AONB on 01609 536778 or email liz-bassindale@northyorks.gov.uk.



Trading Cards

At the staff meeting this week trading cards were discussed. Staff have no objections to trading cards being brought into school but have noticed one or two niggly arguments developing when swapping. It has been decided to allow the trade of cards first thing, as children arrive in school and on a Thursday at after school club. The children will not be permitted to swap cards at any other time. Thank you for your co-operation.

Head lice in school

The advice given is to use copious amounts of conditioner and to comb through the hair in sections to remove lice and eggs. If a child is known to have head lice this should be done every other day until no further head lice or egg cases are found. Following this ideally you should use a detection comb (again with conditioner and "nit comb") on a weekly basis and re-start the process if you find any head lice. If parents would prefer they can purchase over the counter head lice treatments but they still encourage weekly detection combing. These treatments don't prevent head lice and should only be used if a live louse has been found in a child's hair. It can help to tie long hair up but this will not prevent the spread of head lice if children have head to head contact whilst playing etc. The advice is also available here: https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/

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Internet Safety

On **November 30th** a P.C from Malton Police Station will be visiting school all day to discuss internet safety with each class. There will be a special presentation at **2.30pm**, before Celebration Assembly, **for parents and carers** to attend. We offered this presentation last year which was well supported and we can highly recommend that you come along to hear about safe use of the internet regarding yourself and your children.



Ukulele Night to raise money for the May Day Celebrations

An evening of fun and music for all ages will be held in Slingsby Village Hall on **Saturday October 13th** at 7pm featuring the Thornton-le-Dale Ukulele Band. Funds raised from this evening will support our children's opportunity to participate in the unique May Day celebrations. With your help, Slingsby, Fryton & South Holme CIC can keep this treasured village tradition alive. The children can have lots fun joining in with the musical instruments.

