



SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER Thursday May 9th, 2019

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School News

- Mr Smith and Mrs Jordan attended a Science session at Hovingham School this week
- School's journey with the Maths Mastery continued with Mrs Jordan having a maths session observation by an independent moderator. Excellent feedback was received.



KS2 SATs Week Next Week

Please be aware it is our Year 6 SATs week next week. They have been working very hard and are well prepared and we are very proud of them. This school has never seen our children as a 'level'. Whatever the outcomes of the tests, we know that they will have done their best and that is all we ask of them. Please can all the Year 6 pupils arrive at school Monday to Thursday next week no later than 8.15am at which point they will be taken over to the Chapel School Room by a member of staff. We will be providing breakfast to anyone who wishes to have it. The tests will start prompt at 9am each day. We take all Government tests very seriously and follow the strict guidelines provided by the Standards and Testing Agency. We always ensure transparency by involving independent observers for each test and our test administration team have all received the required training.



FOSS Scarecrow weekend

The weather forecasters told us it had been the coldest May Bank holiday on record, but the Scarecrow Trail still received a warm welcome from yourselves and visitors alike. It was a success raising money for the school, remaining one of the main event fund raisers for school, along with the Duck Race. As always, this would not be possible without the superb support of everyone who took part over the weekend from entering a scarecrow, to donating items. Special thanks to the Scarecrow working party, who put the hours in before the event to make it another well organised event but THANKS TO YOU ALL because without FOSS members, volunteers, contributors and visiting our event, we would not have a Scarecrow weekend to enjoy and celebrate! We look forward to next year. Scarecrow winners:

1st - Groot and Rocket by the Conyers Family.

2nd - Stick Man and Family by Archie Raines.

3rd - Dobby the House Elf by Penny Highmoor and Xander



FOSS thank you - Bag2School

Thank you to everyone from the school and local community who contributed bags to our Bag2School collection this morning. We raised £158 for the school which is a wonderful effort and much appreciated.



After School Club, Thurs 13th June - Beautiful Burial Ground Project

The Beautiful Burial Ground Project is an initiative of the charity Caring for God's Acre, a non-religious charity which advises burial ground managers on how to manage their sites for wildlife, people and heritage. The session above is funded by the National Lottery Heritage Fund. They are organising a free after-school drop-in session in Slingsby churchyard for children and their families/carers as part of Love Your Burial Ground Week. This will take place on Thursday 13th June from 3:30-4:30pm and will focus on the wildlife of the churchyard including activities such as wildflower bingo and a bug hunt. The session will be led by Georgina Sharp (Community Coordinator) and John O'Reilly, an ecologist and ex teacher. The children who attend after-school club on this day will be accompanied by school staff so they can participate in the activities. If you would

like to know more about the project their web pages are here <https://www.caringforgodsacre.org.uk/our-beautiful-burial-grounds-project/>.



Entertainments' Evening – Thurs 18th July

Don't forget we are holding a fun night of music and entertainment on July 18th at 6pm in the Village Hall. This is an evening where we encourage all our families (adults and/or children) to participate. Everyone is very warmly welcomed to perform on the night. If you would like to perform and have not yet completed a form, there are spare forms available from the school office. If you are able to provide nibbles that would be very much appreciated and you can also indicate what you would be able to provide on the form. Thank you.



Miss Montgomery's Uganda Fund Raiser

Miss Montgomery (who worked in Class 4) and her friend Miss McNeill are travelling to Uganda this summer to help build a playground for a school. In order to help them to raise money for the charity, East African Playgrounds, we will be holding a non-uniform day on Friday 17th May. Please bring in a donation of your choice, plus extra change for a cake stall and raffle competition which will be held on the green after school. For more information on how your money will make a difference visit eastafricanplaygrounds.org.



Junior Rangers

The Howardian Hills AONB Team and The Yorkshire Arboretum are running their next Junior Rangers Day in the May Half Term holiday. It is taking place at The Yorkshire Arboretum on Wednesday 29th May. They are limited to 20 places so booking is essential. To book, or for further details please contact the Howardian Hills AONB on 01609 536778 or email liz.bassindale@northyorks.gov.uk.



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WE KINDLY REQUEST NO NUTS OR NUT DERIVATIVES ARE BROUGHT INTO SCHOOL IN PACKED LUNCHES OR AS SNACKS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING.