



# SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2020

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## School News

- The School Choir gave a top performance on Saturday at the Village Hall Coffee Morning and it was especially amazing because they had only had one rehearsal!
- Another useful session was held at Slingsby School on Monday evening with the Howardian Alliance schools. This session focused on Curriculum Development and was led by Nawton School.



## After-School Clubs – please book in advance & keep your account in credit

The outstanding debt for clubs this week stands at **£291.50** and **£221.80** for lunches. Please ensure your accounts are paid up to date/in credit. Please also remember to book your child into clubs in advance whenever possible and advise us at the start of every new term if your child is maintaining their regular After-School and Chill Club bookings so that we can staff accordingly.



## Parent Pay- Almost no debt!

Miss Hope and Mrs Massey would like to thank all parents who are now keeping their Parent Pay accounts in credit. There has been a significant change in paying habits to pay ahead rather than arrears for clubs, lunches and events which is saving us sleepless nights. It has made a huge difference to our financial management, staffing rotas plus saves us time in having to send reminders and chasers. There is still room for improvement as we are not at £0.00 yet but we hope that we will be one day very soon.



## Parking Complaint

We have received a complaint from a concerned neighbour asking us to remind parents to please park considerately around school and especially please to not park on the grass verges around The Green and next to and behind the Reading Rooms. To park on the tarmac is absolutely fine but by pulling up onto the grass verges, it is causing mud and large puddles where the grass is being chewed up. Please help us to look after our village and our neighbours.



## World Book day 5<sup>th</sup> March – Advanced Warning!

For World Book Day this year, we are going to be focusing on our favourite animal stories and we invite children and staff to come to school dressed as their favourite animal character. This can include a full costume or alternatively, just an animal mask - whatever your child feels comfortable wearing. There will be reading events taking place during the day and a 'Reading with our Animal Friends' competition. We are asking children and staff to bring in a photograph of you reading with an animal - the more obscure the animal the better! All photographs will be displayed in the foyer with a closing date of 5<sup>th</sup> March. The competition will be independently judged with book prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place.



## 2020-2021 Term Dates

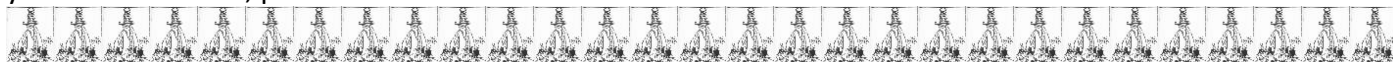
Please see attached the Terms Date for next academic year.

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## **Maypole Dancing - Parent helpers needed!**

After February half term, Mrs Thompson will be coming into school again to teach the children Maypole Dancing ahead of May Day weekend when they will perform. One of our long-standing helpers, Mrs Conyers is stepping down from her role so Mrs Thompson has asked if there are any parents who would be willing and able to assist her with running the after-school Maypole Dancing club from 3:30pm – 4:30 (day TBC). If you are interested, please contact the school office for further details.



## **May 2020 Bank Holiday Change - Reminder**

The calendar of school term and holiday dates for 2019/20 has been amended due to a Government decision last year to change the previously agreed Bank Holiday dates. To coincide with Victory in Europe (VE) celebrations this year, the Government agreed to move the Bank Holiday from Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2020 to Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2020.



## **Headlice – Please check your child/ren**

Please be advised there has been a case of head lice in school this week. Please check your child's hair and all members of your family. You should treat head lice as soon as you spot them. Advice can be found on the NHS website. <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>



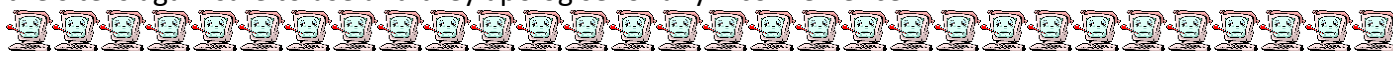
## **Front Door Security Reminder**

Please can we remind parents again that for safeguarding purposes, **only** school staff are permitted to let parents and visitors in and out of the school building. When leaving the building, please do not hold the door for other parents/visitors who are coming into school. Both doors should remain locked at all times.



## **Simon Carson Sports School Website – IMPORTANT NOTICE!**

The domain for the Simon Carson Sports School website has been hacked. We have been advised **NOT TO CLICK ON IT** and to remove any link from your computer network immediately. They will contact school when the site is again safe to use and they apologise for any inconvenience.



## **Therapy Dog at Malton Library**

Malton Library are having a trained reading/therapy dog called Rosie visit Malton Library after February half term to be available for children to come in and read aloud to her. There is an opportunity to meet Rosie at a drop-in session during the half term holiday. After that, there will be weekly bookable slots for children to come and read aloud to Rosie in a relaxed and stress-free environment to build their confidence. The sessions are all free. Please let anyone you think might be interested or benefit from Rosie know about her.



## **Village Hall - St. Patrick's Day Evening**

Slingsby Village Hall are hosting an evening with "Malarkey and Friends" for St. Patrick's Day on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March at 7pm. Tickets are £10 which includes a two-course supper and you can take your own drinks. Please contact 01653 628625 for tickets.



## **Billionaire Boy at the Grand Opera House York**

The new production of Billionaire Boy by David Walliams is showing at the Grand Opera House from 6-9<sup>th</sup> May 2020 and tickets are selling fast!



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