

SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thursday 15th October 2020

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School News

- Thank you for continuing to follow the Covid-19 guidelines and current school systems, this is much
 appreciated by our whole school community and is enabling us to stay open to provide the best possible
 education to our children in a safe environment.
- Nasal flu vaccinations were administered today to all those children whose parents consented online. Strict Covid-19 rules were followed by the nurse regarding PPE and hygiene and there was no mixing of classroom bubbles. If your child was due to have a nasal flu vaccination but was absent, the Childhood Immunisation team will contact you by email with details and dates of the forthcoming community flu clinics which they will get you booked onto. If you haven't heard from them within the week, please contact them 01423 542360.
- We would encourage all parents to support our amazing FOSS by attending the online AGM next Wednesday. As many of you are aware, funding for schools has been stripped back for many years leaving very little in the pot for anything more than the day to day running. FOSS do an incredible job fundraising for school so that our children have additional resources and fun and none of it would be possible without volunteers, ideas and support from parents. Details of the meeting are below.
- We are pleased to confirm that we passed our Sport Safe Inspection for all sport and outdoor activity equipment this week.
- Next Thursday is a non-uniform day ahead of the class bubble Halloween Parties after school. See below for more details of the parties. The day itself will be a normal school day.



Free School Meals

Further to our email of 9th October 2020, please note that should you have had a change of circumstances during lock-down (or for any other reason), your child may now be eligible for free school meals. (Please note that this is different to Universal Free School Meals to which all children in KS1 are entitled). Please see the link below to the free school meals section of the North Yorkshire County Council website. This gives further information about eligibility and also a link to apply for this funding. The free school meal eligibility doesn't just provide school meals, but can also subsidise other items within school. https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/free-school-meals

Parent Pay - Please keep accounts in credit

Thank you to everyone who is keeping their Parent Pay accounts up to date. There is currently **£101.08** outstanding for school meals. We would be grateful if you could please just check your account for any debts showing. It is also useful to set up your account with the low balance alerts. If you wish to discuss any financial difficulties regarding payment of your account, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Smith.



FOSS Update

FOSS AGM - Wednesday 21 Oct @ 8pm - Microsoft Teams

We look forward to welcoming as many of you as possible to our online AGM using Microsoft Teams. We are looking for new committee members as well as ideas for virtual fundraisers in what will be another challenging year for raising funds. But adversity breeds community and apparently also some excellent thinking outside the box as we have already seen! So don't be shy and join us. Please email friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk so we can send you the link for the meeting.

FOSS Halloween Party - Thursday 22nd Oct @ 3:30pm-5pm - School - £5 pp

The annual Halloween Party will be held in school within class bubbles this year with their teachers supervising and running lots of fun activities. A snack box will be provided to each child plus an activity pack thanks to Colour Heroes. It will be a non-uniform day all day and while a spooky top or jumper is fine, unfortunately we cannot allow any costumes or masks this year. Children can also enter the pumpkin carving competition taking а photo of their completed pumpkin and emailing friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk by 21st October (see attached flyer). Tickets can be purchased via the Parent Pay app where a payment item now appears. If you have more than one child attending, you will need to buy a separate ticket on each child's account. Payments already made for after school club that day will be reimbursed. If your child/ren are staying for the party, please collect at 5pm from their current Class entrance/exits. Chill Club will be running as usual after the Halloween party from 5-6pm. Those children not attending clubs or the party can be collected at their usual times from their usual exits. An exception has been made to the staggered finish times to enable this event to happen so please remember to follow the guidelines and not gather in groups on The Green and maintain 2m social distancing from other parents and carers.

Bag2School - Monday 2nd November - 9am - Playing Fields

Please bring your clothing donations in your own bin liners to the Slingsby Sportsfield on the morning of Monday 2nd November by 9am. It's the first day back after half term and we will try to get a reminder out to you but a diary note now could be useful! We are paid by the kilo so the more you can bring along the better. Please note here what you can and cannot include in the bags:

https://bag2school.com/what-we-collect

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Child's Voice

At school in corona breakfast club it has been very fun and they have lots of choices for what you want for breakfast. It has fun games to play and the teachers are so nice! At story club they read very funny and good stories that you do activities to. Chill club is very good because you get to play games with your bubble and you also get snacks.

By Liv

I enjoy art club because at home I like to do art there as well. Mrs Scott is an amazing teacher. She is good at art and last time we made a camera. She made a good camera herself!

By Jay