



# SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2021

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## Message from Mr. Smith

We hope you all managed to have a great Easter break in the sunshine and snow! At school, we have had a very productive couple of weeks with the renovation of the new playground areas and planning for this term. The reaction from the children to the new track, target area, hopscotch and improved wildlife garden with a stage has been wonderful to see; and they have been enjoying the outside spaces this week. We have put together a poster (see attached) of photographs of the new play areas so you can see what we have been able to achieve so far! Short reports will be coming to you next week, with details of any areas of focus required for your child to make further progress. Parents' Evenings will take place virtually mid-term (via the Microsoft Teams platform) on a date to be confirmed. Details of key dates confirmed so far for this term are below, and we are aiming to make our Summer term one to remember!



## School News

- It remains our intention to gradually expand the bubbles in school, alongside the Government lifting of restrictions. Therefore, Class 1 & 2 are now one bubble as are Class 3 & 4 for the purposes of play times and some educational activities. We will continue to do everything we can to minimise the possible spread of the virus by maintaining Covid-19 safe systems in line with our risk assessments.
- With the lifting of restrictions, we can now start using the Sports Field and Tennis Courts once again for our PE sessions, with special thanks to the Sports and Social Club who have agreed we can resume using their toilet facilities following Covid hygiene practices. In light of this, please ensure your children have full PE kits in school every day. A reminder of what kit is needed is below.
- Please refer to our end of term newsletter on 25<sup>th</sup> March 2021 regarding club arrangements. At the moment, we ask that the wrap around care is only used for essential purposes to minimise the mixing of bubbles. Please book in advance where possible. We hope that full clubs will resume from 17<sup>th</sup> May, subject to the local and national Covid-19 guidance.
- The Summer term lunch menu and Term Dates for 2021/2022 are available to view on school website.
- Our new Midday Supervisor, Ms Wilson, started this week. Ms Wilson was very excited to join our school and has had a fabulous week getting to know the children.
- Class 2 enjoyed a Spring walk in the sunshine to see Mrs Swallow's eleven lambs at The Lawns in the village this week, which they then used as the basis of writing some wonderful Spring poetry.
- We would be very grateful for any unwanted old large (adult sized) t-shirts (preferably not collared shirts) which the children could use for art. All t-shirt donations will be quarantined for 72 hours before use.
- On Monday 5<sup>th</sup> April, the Prime Minister announced that from Friday 9<sup>th</sup> April, everyone in England (including those without symptoms) will be able to take a free rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) test twice a week. It is not mandatory, but it is recommended and as before we strongly encourage all our families to take part and please encourage your friends. To order your test go to: <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>. If testing at home, you will need to [register your results online](#) or by calling 119. You should self-isolate if positive and order a confirmatory PCR test and let school know. Anyone with symptoms of COVID-19 should [book a test online](#) or by calling 119.



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## PE Kit Reminder

Please ensure PE kits are in school every day. Children are required to have:

- Navy blue shorts or tracksuit bottoms
- White polo shirt / T - shirt
- Plimsolls or trainers
- Extra pair of socks

PE kits can be bought from School Shop (details below). Please note, the school emblem is not compulsory.



## Dates for The Diary

*Please note some dates could be subject to change, due to unforeseen circumstances, and any new dates for additional activities and trips will be notified to you as and when they are confirmed.*

### **Summer Term 1**

- 21st April - Short reports to parents
- 29<sup>th</sup> April - FOSS Bags2school and pre-loved uniform collection Slingsby Sports Field
- 1-3<sup>rd</sup> May - May Bank Holiday Weekend/Scarecrow Trail
- 17<sup>th</sup> May- Full Clubs resume – details will be provided nearer the time
- 19<sup>th</sup> May - Individual Photos with Phototronics
- 31<sup>st</sup> May - Peat Rigg Residential Trip Oct 2021 Deposit Deadline

### **Summer Term 2**

- 9<sup>th</sup> June - Class 1 & 2 Trip to Duncombe Park
- 18<sup>th</sup> June - New Starter Settling in session 1
- 23 & 23<sup>rd</sup> June - Year 6 Transition Day to Malton School
- 25<sup>th</sup> June - New Starter Settling in session 2
- 30<sup>th</sup> June - Year 5 Experience Day at Malton School
- 2<sup>nd</sup> July - New Starter Settling in session 3
- 6<sup>th</sup> July - Class 3 & 4 Let's Learn Moor Trip to Blakey Ridge
- 7<sup>th</sup> July - Year 6 Induction Evening at Malton School
- 9<sup>th</sup> July - New Starter Settling in session 4
- 14<sup>th</sup> July - Year 6 Trip to Flamingo Land
- 15<sup>th</sup> July - Slingsby School Sports Day on Slingsby Sports Field 1pm
- 16<sup>th</sup> July - New Starter Settling in session – last one
- 20<sup>th</sup> July - KS2 Sandsend Trip
- 21<sup>st</sup> July - KS1 Sandsend Trip
- 23<sup>rd</sup> July - Long reports out for all children
- 23<sup>rd</sup> July - Leavers' Assembly
- 23<sup>rd</sup> July - Last Day of Term



## School Shop Uniform Update

Our uniform provider: Next Gen School Shop retail store in Elvington, re-opened on 12<sup>th</sup> April but in order to visit the store, you must book an appointment first via their website <https://school-shop.co.uk/>. The cut-off date for guaranteed delivery for uniform orders for September will once again be **29<sup>th</sup> July**. If online orders are received by midnight on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2021, they guarantee to deliver the order before schools start in September. From late July to early September, they are also planning to offer the Click & Collect service between 8am & 8pm, Monday to Saturday.



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## FOSS

### **Bags 2 School & Pre-Loved Uniform Collection**

We hope our Bags 2 School collection scheduled for **Thursday 29 April** has provided a wonderful opportunity to clear out those cupboards Spring clean during the Easter break. The collection will be from the Slingsby Sports Field where one of the team will be available from 8.45 - 9am. Please refer to the following website for the full details of what you can donate [www.bags2school.com](http://www.bags2school.com) And as mentioned in the School's newsletter before the Easter break, we would also welcome any **school uniforms** you no longer need. Please drop these off to the Bags 2 School collection in a separate bag.

### **2021 Scarecrow Competition and May Day Celebrations**

Not long now until the May Day celebrations can be confirmed so we are still asking for Scarecrow entries so that we can hopefully hold a Scarecrow Competition and Trail in the Village over the Bank holiday long weekend from Saturday 1st May to Monday 3rd May. To enter, please see the attached flyer for further information.



### **Young Minds Helpline**

For any young people struggling with the impact of coronavirus or self-isolation, the Young Minds charity has a Parent Helpline open Mon - Fri 9am to 4pm 0808 802 5544.



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