

# SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2021

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#### Message from Mr. Smith

It has been wonderful to see parents and carers for our Class 1 & 2 Parents' Evening appointments this week. We would like to thank everyone for their patience when waiting in our Covid-safe seating areas and for adhering to our guidelines. The teachers have very much enjoyed discussing how your super children have adapted so very well during these unprecedented times. I would also like to say a huge thank you to Class 3; their behaviour and attitude during last week's visit to Scarborough Castle was superb — with several members of the public making extremely positive comments about how engaged and well-mannered the children were. We are very proud of them and I cannot wait for our next school visit with Class 4 to Eden Camp on the 27<sup>th</sup> May. Mr. Smith



### **School News**

- There will be a permanent menu change to Tuesday of week two's Summer Term Menu. This was a new
  dish but, due to its unpopularity with the children, we are waving farewell to the Lentil and Vegetable
  Curry and replacing it with Cheesy Vegetable Pasta Bake.
- Our NEW Gardening Club has proven very popular indeed. Mrs Massey lead the first session, due to Parents' Evening, and the children all got to work turning the soil in preparation for Miss Pearce planting seedlings and strawberries with them next week. They also talked about what plants need in order to grow healthy and strong as well as finding plenty of worms!
- Bikeability got off to a flying start this morning. All our Year 6's have passed Level 1, and learnt about signalling and junctions. Unfortunately, the heavy rain brought the session to an early end but tomorrow they will be out on the open road! Well done Year 6.
- Mrs Jordan has completed a Primary English training course this week.
- Miss Hope and Mrs Massey successfully completed our lengthy annual Data Protection (GDPR) audit this
  week with two Data Protection Officers from Veritau. We are pleased to report that they were impressed
  by our robust systems and very happy with our data management in school.
- The DFE Summer Census has been completed today.
- We were incredibly lucky with the weather on Wednesday so that individual School photographs could be taken outside in the Wildlife Garden and everyone gave their best smiles! Details on orders below.
- Mr Conlan has resumed music lessons in school this week and it has been really great to hear the children playing again.
- May Day art-work pieces are now on display in school for you to see at Parents' Evenings and will be handed out to those who have donated next week. It is not too late to buy your child's art-work, you just need to donate via Parent Pay.



#### **Collection for Mrs Metcalfe**

We are having a collection in school for Mrs Metcalfe which we would like to extend to our school families. If you would like to make a contribution towards a retirement present, please send cash in a sealed envelope

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marked 'for the attention of the school office' by the end of this half term. Alternatively, if you have a card/gift that you would like school to pass on to Mrs Metcalfe, we can also do that on your behalf.



#### **Clubs & Parent Pay**

Breakfast and After School Clubs are now all booked on Parent Pay as per your booking forms. Chill Club attendance will be entered onto Parent Pay on a weekly basis, according to the pick-up times. Please ensure you book in advance wherever possible and keep the relevant items in your Parent Pay account in credit to ensure debt is not accumulated. Many thanks



#### **School Photographs**

We have been advised by Phototronics that proofs for ordering the school photographs will arrive in school next week and orders can be made the week after half term.



## **Ampleforth College Open Morning**

Ampleforth College will be holding an on-site Open Morning on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June and details can be found on their website: https://www.ampleforthcollege.org.uk/college/open-days.



#### **Lateral Flow Testing**

We strongly encourage all our families to take part in twice weekly lateral flow testing and please encourage your friends too! To order your test packs go to: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests">https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests</a>. If testing at home, you will need to <a href="register your results online">register your results online</a> 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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