



## SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2021

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### **Message from Mr Smith**

It has been another brilliant week in school. I really enjoyed taking the KS1 children up to Malton Community Sports Centre to play football and they scored some great goals! Please be aware that if your child has not chosen to attend one of the sporting events so far, there will be plenty more throughout the year – involving a multitude of different sports/activities: indeed, there will be something for everyone!

Thank you for your continued support in helping us to prevent an outbreak of Covid-19 in school; although, unfortunately, we have had one confirmed case in our setting today. All staff continue to undertake regular Lateral Flow tests and will now be wearing masks when they move throughout school. We continue to closely follow Government and NYCC advice.

If you or your children display any of the Covid-19 symptoms, please DO NOT send them in to school and take a free PCR test as soon as possible. Please ensure you practice regular hand washing and hygiene at home as we are in school. If children begin to display symptoms in school we will contact you and ask you to collect them immediately and book a free PCR test. Please read the latest Government guidance so that you are familiar with the symptoms and current procedures required.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>.



### **School News**

- It has been our early Autumn Term assessment week this week so all the children have been having to concentrate really hard in the mornings completing quizzes in Maths, Reading, Writing and SPAG. The results of these assessments provide us with start of year scale scores which, together with the teachers' own day to day observations, confirms whether the children are achieving at the Government's expected standards, or whether more work is required in certain areas. We will be discussing these with you at the forthcoming Parents' Evenings (see the Key Dates sent out on 20<sup>th</sup> September).
- If any Class 4 children's parents and carers have not yet returned their Peat Rigg information sheet, please do so by tomorrow morning. All information for next week must be provided to Peat Rigg by the end of the day tomorrow.
- Some of our KS1 children enjoyed taking part in the inter schools football tournament yesterday at the Malton Community Sports Centre. Our three teams (Dragons, Lions and Tigers) played 10 games in total: 5 wins, 3 draws and 2 lost. Well done everyone!

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- Class 2 have had their second swimming lesson at the St Albans Centre, Ampleforth today.
- Miss Hope and Mrs Massey have completed the Government Autumn Census today.
- The Full Governing Body are meeting this evening.



## **Flu Vaccination**

The Childhood Immunisation Team nurses will be visiting school to carry out the influenza immunisation programme for all children from Reception to Year 6 on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2021 at 10.30am. Please read the letter attached for details of how to consent for your child, as well as answers to common questions about the influenza vaccination programme. ***For the avoidance of doubt, we have not received any communications regarding Covid-19 vaccinations for children.***



## **Parent Pay Debt – Please Pay**

A big thank you to all those who have paid balances on your ParentPay accounts. The debt this week is **£421.84**. Please check your Parent Pay accounts and ensure all items are in credit. You can set up an automatic bank transfer to keep your account items in credit and also a text reminder service to help remind you when your balance is low. ***Lunches and clubs must be paid for in advance, not in arrears.***



## **Nature Club**

Last Thursday, due to the wet weather, Nature Club was held indoors so the children made art from nature. Mrs Jordan was so impressed with their fantastic work she wanted to show a few examples of what the children produced in this week's newsletter.



## **FOSS Update**

**AGM** - The FOSS AGM will take place on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm, we plan to hold a face to face meeting in Slingsby, the venue will be confirmed through the Teachers2Parents app nearer the time. We warmly welcome any parents and carers, new to the school and existing to join us - there will be tea, coffee and biscuits!

**Halloween Party Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October** - Tickets are now available through Parent Pay and are priced at £4.50 per child when bought in advance, or can be bought on the door for £5. We ask if you could please try to buy your tickets before Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> October to give us time to organise the party food and supplies.

**Volunteers** - We still need volunteers to help run this fun event! If you are able to volunteer please email us on [friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk) and specify any timeslot you are available for.

Refreshments (preparing / serving food): 3.45pm-5.30pm

Face painting: 3.45pm-5.30pm

Temporary tattoos: 3.45pm-5.30pm

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**Pumpkin competition** - Enter the pumpkin carving competition by leaving your finished pumpkin design at Slingsby village hall on the day of the party and remember to include your name. The entry fee for this competition is £1 and is payable via Parent Pay.

**Fancy Dress Competition** - There will be a prize each for the best costume in KS1 and KS2. Children can bring their outfit in a named bag into school on the day of the party and can change into their costumes at the end of the day before being accompanied over to the village hall by Slingsby school staff.

**Recipe Book** - If we have enough entries we plan to create the recipe book in time for Christmas, it would be fantastic to include recipes from all our school families. If you have a favourite recipe you would like to include please submit the recipe along with a photograph or illustration to [friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk).



### **NYCC Parent Carer Voice – Autumn Term Sessions**

There's a variety of virtual sessions for parents and carers, delivered via Zoom. Please see the attached flyer for more information.



### **Helmsley Art centre - Half Term Fun**

Helmsley Art Centre are putting on various shows during half term including Woodland Tales with Grandad and Mavis Sparkle, and cinema. Please go to [www.helmsleyarts.co.uk](http://www.helmsleyarts.co.uk) for more information.



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