

# SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Head Teacher: Mr L Smith BA HONS QTS

## **School News**

- We are all enjoying being back together again and it has been wonderful to hear all the children's news from their Christmas holidays.
- Once again may we say a huge 'Thank you!' for all our amazing presents and messages at the end of last term. We feel incredibly fortunate to work with such supportive families and it is a privilege for us to teach your children.
- Please join us in giving Mr Barker a big welcome to Class 3. Mr Baker has worked with us before and we are thrilled to have him back with us until at least the end of the year.
- Unfortunately, we have two members of staff who are currently isolating with suspected Covid-19 but they have not been in close contact with the children so no close contact letters have been sent. It is a reminder to us all, however, to be vigilant and follow all the guidelines. As set out in Mr Smith's letter on Tuesday, we would be hugely grateful if all our families undertake regular testing to help us to keep everyone safe and school running as smoothly as possible. The link to the latest guidance is <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection</a> . Please note that further changes regarding PCR tests come into effect from the 11<sup>th</sup> of January on a temporary basis. <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/news/confirmatory-pcr-tests-to-be-temporarily-suspended-for-positive-lateral-flow-test-results">https://www.gov.uk/government/news/confirmatory-pcr-tests-to-be-temporarily-suspended-for-positive-lateral-flow-test-results.</a>
- Our fresh food suppliers are really struggling with delivery drivers, due to Covid, and we have not been receiving our food orders on time so we apologise that there may be minor variations to the school menu day to day (i.e. vegetables choices) using what supplies we have.
- The classrooms are much colder than normal with the current weather, as we are having to keep our doors and windows open for ventilation purposes in accordance the NYCC Covid-19 Risk Assessment. Please send your children to school wearing plenty of layers so they stay warm in class. We will always be outside at play times unless it is pouring with rain so please make sure your children have hats, coats and gloves on cold days and wellies if it is snowing.
- All clubs will resume on Monday. Please use the form attached if you wish to book in. Please note that Simon Carson's Sport's Club will now be on a Monday and Art Club on a Friday.
- Class 3 swimming begins next Thursday. Please return your child's swimming ability form by the end of this week if you haven't already.
- Mr Conlan's music lessons will resume on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January.
- Celebration assembly is returning to a Friday afternoon so awards for the week will be given on a Friday. Unfortunately, we are still unable to allow parents to attend.

Should you wish to opt out of receiving school correspondence from this mailing list, notify admin@slingsby.nyorks.sch.uk

#### PLEASE BE REMINDED THAT WE ARE A <u>NUT-FREE SCHOOL</u>.

WE KINDLY REQUEST <u>NO</u> NUTS OR NUT DERIVATIVES ARE BROUGHT INTO SCHOOL IN PACKED LUNCHES OR AS SNACKS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING.

Reception and Year 6 parents/carers were sent an email on 17th December detailing the National Child Measurement Programme. If you are happy for your child to be measured, you do not need to do anything. If you do not want your child's height and weight to be checked, or your child has a medical condition that affects their height or weight, please let them know using the contact details provided.

#### Parent Pay Debt – Please pay as soon as possible

Thank you to all of those who have made payments on Parent Pay. The debt has significantly reduced but unfortunately we have not started the year with a zero balance with still <u>£389.40</u> debt. Please check your accounts and pay any outstanding arrears. Accounts should be in credit with no debt. You can set up an automatic bank transfer to keep specific account items in credit at all times and also a text reminder service to help remind you when your balance is low.

## NHS Guidance - When to send your child to school and when it is best to keep them at home

With the season of bugs and viruses upon us, it can be difficult to discern when to send your child to school and when it is best to keep them at home. This NHS guidance is very useful and we strongly recommend all families read it and use it as a reference in the future.

https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/

### Job Vacancies in School

Advertisements for the positions of Clerk to Governors and part time Breakfast Club Leader are on the North Yorkshire County Council website with a closing date of 14<sup>th</sup> January. If you enjoy working with children and being organised then we would love to welcome you to the team! If anyone is interested in either position, please email the School Office for more information.

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