

SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thursday 7th July 2022

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A Message from Mr Smith

We're all looking forward to our Beach Day trips next week. Parents and carers and families are all very welcome to meet us there this year. Class 1 and 2 are lucky enough to be able to enjoy **TWO** days at the seaside with their trip to Scarborough on 14th as well – what a treat! Let's all keep our fingers and toes crossed for some nice weather.

A few parents have approached me unable to find alternative wrap around care for their children in the last week of term because we are not running our normal school clubs. We don't run clubs because there is always a lot to do in the last days of the year, including finishing reports, completing our end of year GDPR requirements, stock takes, sorting through our classrooms to make sure all lost property is allocated etc. Our brilliant staff have, however, agreed that they can provide breakfast club care in a morning from 8am for those who need help with childcare, and a chill club from 3.30pm to 5pm Monday to Thursday, so please email the office to request this if you need it. Simon Carson Sports School and Richard Shephard Music are running their football and choir clubs on the Monday as normal. There will be no maths club in the final week.

The Year 6 SATs results were released this week and I am currently in the process of writing letters to Year 6 parents and children to inform them of their achievements. We hope to get the letters out next week, but I just wanted to say how proud I am of our Year 6 pupils for what they have accomplished; especially following their Covid disrupted time when they were in Year 4 and 5. Thank you also to all staff and parents who have worked so hard to nurture and encourage them to achieve the best they can. Many thanks. Mr Smith.



School News

- We have seven confirmed cases of Chickenpox this week and five cases of Covid, so please keep an eye on your children for any symptoms. Children should not attend school for five days from the onset of a chickenpox rash and until all blisters have crusted over. With Covid, children should not attend school for three days and until they feel well.
- Our parent school governor, Mr Storrar spent the afternoon in school on Monday for a
 governor visit, focusing on PE and speaking with the children. Thank you for coming to visit us,
 Mr Storrar; we enjoyed having you in school!
- Some of our Year 4 and 5 children attended the Malton Secondary School Open Day on Tuesday and our Year 6's had their Induction Evening for parents and carers and students last night.

- A small group of KS2 children attended a cricket tournament at Norton College on Wednesday and played really well! They won their first match against Langton by 20 runs, qualifying for the final against Rillington and only just missing out on a win by eight runs!
- The Year 6 pupils are having their leavers' treat day today at Flamingo Land with Mr Smith, Miss Secker and Mr Mortimer. They are all looking forward to their evening meal at Florios later too. We can't wait to hear all about it!
- Class 1 & 2 have enjoyed a full afternoon of Sports Day practices today so they will be raring to go next week!
- Class 1 children are spending an hour tomorrow morning at Slingsby sports field tennis courts
 again to practice their tennis skills. All PE kits should already be in school but if not, please send
 them in.
- Our new Reception starters are having their 4th and final settling-in session tomorrow afternoon. Miss Pearce has completed all the pre-school setting visits, and has enjoyed getting to know more about the children ahead of September. Please can we ask that all New Starter forms are returned tomorrow.
- Mrs Martindale, our new Class 3/Year 4 teacher, will be in school again tomorrow to spend the afternoon with the current Year 3 children who will be moving up to Year 4 in September: please feel free to say 'Hello' at the end of the day!
- Our Year 6 Group 1 children have the first part of their Bikeability tomorrow and part two on Monday. The children are welcome to leave bikes and helmets in school over the weekend. Please be aware that school is not insured for loss or damages so we understand if you would rather take it home and bring it back again on Monday.
- The Beach Day letters for next week were emailed to parents/carers on Monday, detailing times and what is needed. If you haven't done so yet, please email the school office with your child's lunch option and sandwich filling so that Mrs Saunders can order and prepare their lunches. If you do not confirm your child's lunch option, you will be charged for a school dinner via Parent Pay of £2.66.
- Class 1 & 2 have their school trip to Scarborough next Thursday. Please email the office if you haven't already done so with your child's lunch choices.
- Details about Sports Day next Friday have been emailed out today and each child given a slip with their team colour. Your child should wear a t-shirt in their team colour if they can. If you are unable to find a t-shirt with the right colour, then please let us know and we will help.
- A reminder that ALL are welcome to the Leavers' and End of Year Assembly at 1pm at Slingsby Village Hall on the last day of term. If you wish to take your child/ren home once the assembly has finished, you are welcome to do so. Please collect your child from school as normal.



FOSS NEWS

Bags2school Friday 8th July

Our next collection is Friday 8th July, bags can be left on the green outside school at drop off on Friday 8th July. Details of accepted items can be found at bag2school.com/what-we-collect. We are also happy to take donations of pre-loved school uniform, please donate these in a clearly marked bag separate to Bag2School donations.

School Sports Day Friday 15th July

We will be hosting a stall at the school sports day selling refreshments, raffle tickets and ducks. We have some fantastic prizes for the raffle including a family of 4 pass to York Chocolate Story, 2 passes to Flamingo Land, a pass to Castle Howard, Afternoon tea for 2, the FOSS hamper packed with delicious treats and many more, please pop along and say hello.

Duck Race and Family Fun Day Saturday 16th July

Duck Sponsor forms - the deadline for handing in duck sponsor forms is this Friday the 8th July, please sell as many ducks as you can - there is a prize for the child who sells the most ducks!

Volunteers - We need your help to run our exciting range of stalls at this years Duck Race, if you are available to volunteer in a morning slot 10am-1pm, or afternoon 1pm-3pm please get in touch and email friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk.

Baked items - We need baked items for our refreshments stall at the duck race, all baked good would be very much appreciated and can be brought to school at drop off or pickup on Friday 15th July. Suggestions include: cakes, cupcakes, flapjack, biscuits, brownies and other tray bakes. Large gazebos and parasols - if any school families have these that they would be happy to lend us for the Duck Race please get in touch and email friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk.

AmazonSmile double donations on 12th and 13th July

AmazonSmile are giving double donations on Amazon Prime Day. You can select FOSS as your chosen charity and simply shop as you normally would through the site online.



North Yorkshire Reading Challenge

This year's Summer Reading Challenge Theme is Gadgeteers and is all about getting creative with science and inventions. Children are invited to help the six young Gadgeteers use inventions to plan an epic summer party. There are also plans for an exciting programme of events linked to the theme in all our libraries. The challenge is successful in helping children keep up their reading skills over the summer.



FREE Platinum Jubilee book for all children

Children in state-funded primary schools across the United Kingdom will receive a free commemorative book to mark Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee. Designed as an official once-in-a-lifetime commemoration of the Platinum Jubilee and written in collaboration with royal experts and historians, the book will tell the story of a young girl, Isabella, visiting her Great Granny Joyce who tells her about the Queen and this year's Jubilee.

In the story, Isabella sifts through Great Granny Joyce's treasure box of souvenirs, which act as introductions to the contents of the book. These include recent and historical events across the United Kingdom and Commonwealth, inspirational people, landmark innovations and inventions, and a selection of the best art, design, and culture.

The book will also include famous quotes from the Queen, facts on the coronation ceremony, content on the lives of famous Commonwealth figures such as Nelson Mandela, notable kings and queens and a timeline of Queen Elizabeth's life.

The book will also help children understand how the four nations came together as one United Kingdom, including details such as Owain Glyndwr's rebellion against the English in 1400 to take the title of 'Prince of Wales', on the journey to the Queen's reign which continues to this day.

'Brilliant bookmarks' from the Reading Agency are to be distributed with every book, to support and encourage reading for pleasure amongst children at school and over the summer. The book is also featured within the National Literacy Trust's Platinum Jubilee Royal Reading Challenge.

Books will be handed out in the coming days.

