



SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thursday 14th July 2022

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A Message from Mr Smith

We had our final Full Governing Body meeting for the year on Tuesday evening where I presented my Head Teacher Report, summarising this year in school, and we discussed our aspirations for the next academic year. It was a very productive meeting and we all feel proud of our achievements following two very turbulent years.

I am sad to announce that at this meeting our hugely valued Chair, Mrs Wigby-Ashurst confirmed that she will be standing down after representing Slingsby School as a governor, then Chair our Governors for the last six years. Following my appointment as Acting Head in September 2020, and over the last two years, she has been incredibly supportive of the measures the school put in place for the second Covid lockdown and in the improvement of our outdoor spaces which all our children enjoy very much. Whilst you may not have seen her often, she has always been busily working behind the scenes to ensure our school continues to work to being the best it can be. I would also like to say a personal 'Thank you' to Mrs Wigby-Ashurst for her fantastic support during this year, following my appointment as substantive Headteacher. We will be recruiting a new Chair of Governors in September and in the meantime, our Vice Chair, Reverend Robertson, will be fulfilling the role.

This week's beach visits were fantastic and we really appreciated the many parents and carers who gave their time to help out. The children were superbly well behaved on both days and it was lovely to see them having so much fun!

Don't forget that it is our amazing FOSS' annual Duck Race on Saturday 11am-3pm. They really need your help! Please donate baked items for their refreshment stall and if you have an hour or two to spare to help on stalls that would be hugely appreciated. This is our biggest annual fundraiser for the school and it is always a great day, so we hope to see you there to have fun; indulge in games and delicious food; and spend some quality time with friends and family. More details below.



School News

- Unfortunately, we have more cases of Chickenpox and Covid this week, 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.
- We have received photographs back from Phototronics which we will hand out today; however, if you paid in cash and did not write your name on your order for a class photo, we have your photographs in the office but with no name as there was no way of Phototronics knowing who the order was for! Please contact the office if you do not receive your class photo order today.

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- Last Friday, our School's Education Advisor spent the morning with Mr Smith looking at the curriculum and monitoring of subjects. Mrs Johnstone was very impressed with how much progress the school subject leaders had made in reviewing our new progressive curriculum documentation for next academic year.
- Year 6 Group 1 completed their Bikeability course on Monday. For those who were absent on Monday, they can attend Group 2's session next Monday and Tuesday.
- Mr Smith attended NYCC White Paper discussion on Monday with representatives from North Yorkshire LA, which was very informative about the Government and Local Authority's future intentions for primary schools.
- Our annual Beach Days on Tuesday and Wednesday were a great success and everyone had a happy time. The children all deserve it after working so hard this year. A huge thank you to all our amazing parent/carer volunteers for helping out on the day. If you have not yet paid for your child's place on the coach, we would be grateful if you could make payment on Parent Pay. So far less than half has been received which sadly means we will not be able to go on the beach days next year as we do not have the funding for transport. Many thanks.
- Some of our Year 6 children attended a Swimming Gala at Derwent Swimming Club on Tuesday evening and were a great credit to Slingsby School. We await the time results but they all swam their best and it was a great experience.
- Class 1 and 2 have been to Scarborough today. Class 1 attended the Scarborough Art Gallery for a great workshop themed "Oh I do like to be beside the seaside", and Class 2 had a fascinating tour around Scarborough Castle. They have had a very busy week!
- We are all looking forward to Sports Day tomorrow. Everyone is warmly invited to join us from 1pm on the Sports Field. Please bring along your picnic rugs and parasols! Please make sure your children bring their team's coloured T-shirt, water bottles, sun hats and have sun cream applied before school.
- Please remember that we are not running our usual after school clubs next week. RSMF Choir and SCSS Football clubs will run on Monday and there will be a breakfast club all week. If you are struggling for childcare then staff will be on site and children can stay to watch a film 3.30-5pm Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Please email the office if you require this.
- We will be returning all medication in school next week. Please remember to check the use by dates and return any medication required to be in school in September with completed forms.
- Please make sure your Parent Pay accounts are at zero before the end of term and if you wish anything to be credited back to you, then please give us as much notice as possible as we may not have time in the last few days. Year 6 credit will be refunded automatically.



End of Year Accounts – Please check your Parent Pay!

Please ensure your Parent Pay accounts are at zero debt by the end of term. There is currently **£53.00** debt showing. We would also be grateful if any trips that have not been paid for are credited, such as swimming, sports events and the beach days. You may need to scroll down and click on "View all Payment Items" to see outstanding items. If we do not receive contributions towards transport then unfortunately we will be unable to provide these trips in the future as we do not receive funding for this. If you wish any credit to be paid back to you before the end of term, please email the school office and allow us as much notice as possible. Y6 credit will be refunded automatically. Many thanks



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WE REALLY NEED YOUR HELP

at the Duck Race and Family Fun Day this Saturday!

The duck race is almost upon us and we really need your help to make our biggest fundraiser of the year a success!

- **PLEASE DONATE BAKED ITEMS for our refreshments stall.** These can be home-made or shop bought, suggestions include: cakes, cupcakes, flapjack, biscuits, brownies and other tray bakes. These can be brought to school on Friday 15th July or to the Sports Field on Saturday morning the 16th July.
- **PLEASE VOLUNTEER,** we are still short of volunteers to run our stalls, if you can spare a couple of hours on Saturday for a morning slot 10am-1pm, or afternoon 1pm-3pm please get in touch and [email friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk).
- **PLEASE VISIT US ON THE DAY,** please come and support us on the day, there will be lots of stalls and fun activities including inflatables, face painting, hook a duck, beat the goalie and many more, plus the duck race at 2pm - you could win £50! Everyone is welcome and we very much look forward to seeing you there.
- **PLEASE SPONSOR A DUCK** - A big thank you to everyone who filled and returned their forms to us last week, there is still chance to sponsor ducks on the day if you have not yet done it, there is a £50 prize for first place and a prize for last place.

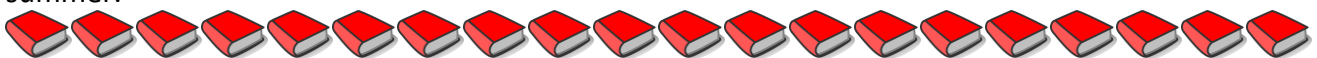
School Sports Day Friday 15th July

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.



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.



FEAST

FEAST brings the fun to the school holidays, offering loads of different activities for everyone to take part in. All children and young people across North Yorkshire can get involved in a range of sessions, with free places and a free lunch for children and young people on benefits-related Free School Meals. There is so much to choose from – come and take a look at what's on

at <https://northyorkshiretogether.co.uk/feast>

The FEAST programme is provided by North Yorkshire Together, commissioned by North Yorkshire

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County Council and funded by the Department for Education. If you have any questions at all, please contact hello@northyorkshiretogether.co.uk



NHS Survey

NHSE are looking for feedback about the School Age Immunisation Service from children, parents, carers, schools and education partners. Please take five minutes to complete this survey.

SURVEY LINK: School Aged Immunisation Survey for Children, Parents & Carers, and School & Education Stakeholders



Some of our Class 1 children looking wonderful on their trip to the Scarborough Art Gallery today dressed as serious Victorians going for a day at the seaside!



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