

SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thursday 29th September 2022

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A Message from Mr Smith

It has been another super week in school, and I am continually impressed by the great work ethic shown by our pupils. I am very much looking forward to chairing our first Children's School Council meeting for this year. Two children representatives from each year group (with the exception of Reception at this time) have been elected to the School Council by their peers (by democratic voting) and will join me for monthly meetings to discuss how we can improve our school. The children's voices are greatly important to us and they often have fantastic ideas!

I would also like to thank you all for the concerted effort that has been made in relation to attendance and arriving at school on time. Our school days have started really well and been extremely productive in these first few weeks, and I will be proud to report back to Governors and our Local Authority advisor who will be coming in for a visit in the coming weeks.

School News

- For the safety of everyone, we would be grateful if you could please not let your children climb or swing on the railings by Class 1; or the trees, plant bed or the maypole, as this has been leading to injuries, accidents and damage. Many thanks.
- Mr Storrar, our Chair of Governors, spent the afternoon with us on Monday to review our English Curriculum. He had the opportunity to speak to staff and children, which was hugely beneficial.
- Reception initial baseline assessments have been taking place this week with Miss Pearce. This is a Government requirement and gives the new Reception children a baseline score from which progress will be measured as they move through the school. These scores are not reported.
- A letter has been sent out to Class 4 regarding the upcoming Eden Camp trip. Please respond by email to the school office tomorrow and we would be very grateful for contributions towards transport via Parent Pay. If we do not receive contributions for transport, unfortunately we will not be able to afford to go as we do not receive funding for this from the Government.
- All staff have attended a North Yorkshire Energy and Sustainability Webinar this week to learn more about how we can make sure we are doing all we can to save energy in school.
- Class 2 had their third swimming lesson at St Albans this week.
- A reminder to ensure you have the School Forum and FOSS AGM evening in your diaries on Wednesday 12th October at 7pm in the school Reading Rooms. All parents and carers are most welcome and strongly encouraged to attend, as it is a hugely positive and beneficial opportunity for parents, carers and staff to discuss ideas to benefit the school.
- Please ensure PE kits are required in school every day please.

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- Don't forget to complete the online form for your children's flu vaccinations, as per the letter emailed out last week.
- A letter has been emailed out today to Years 3 & 4 regarding the Football and Dodgeball tournaments at MCSC next week.
- The position of Advanced Teaching Assistant in Class 1 is currently being advertised. If you, or anyone you know, might be interested in joining our super school and brilliant team, please go to the NYCC vacancies page for details.
- Additions & amendments to our Key Dates are at the end of the newsletter highlighted in blue.

Menu Change- Thursday 6th October

North Yorkshire County Caterers are having a promotional day on Thursday 6 October and instead of Thursday's week 2 set menu, it will be Hot Dog or Veggie Dog with Chips, Ketchup and corn on the cob followed by Dipping Dinky Doughnuts. The alternative option of a Ham Sandwich is also available.

Parent Pay Debt – Please clear your accounts

There is **ZERO** debt on Parent Pay today for lunches and clubs! Thank you so much to everyone for putting credit on your accounts, keeping an eye on your accounts and paying in advance. If you are unable to make payments in advance for any reason, please telephone us to let us know.

FOSS (Friends of Slingsby School) News

The FOSS AGM - Will be held on Wednesday 12th October in the School Reading Rooms after the Parent Forum at 7pm. Please put this date in your diary and come along, it is an opportunity to find out how FOSS works, the fundraising events we run and to discuss future events. As the PTA we really need your support and we are actively seeking new members to be able to continue to run our calendar of events, please get in touch by email at <u>friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk</u> or talk to a member of our team for more information.

FOSS Halloween Party - We are delighted to be hosting the FOSS Halloween Party again this year on Wednesday the 19th October from 3.30pm in the Village Hall for the children. Please see the attached poster for more information. All the children are welcome to join us for a snack box, fun, music, and games with our very special host, DJ Frankensmith!

If you would like your child/ren to attend, please:

- 1. Email us at friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk by 14th October with:-
 - > The number of tickets you would like and the names AND class of the children attending
 - Emergency contact details
 - Name of designated parent or guardian to pick up
 - > Any dietary requirements
 - If you are able to attend and help as a parent volunteer
- 2. Please pay for your tickets in advance through Parent Pay by 14th October.

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We will be running a fancy-dress competition, with a prize each for KS1 and KS2, plus a pumpkin carving competition. Entries for the pumpkin competition are £1 and can also be paid through Parent Pay, pumpkin entries can be left outside the Village Hall on the day of the party.

The Halloween party is a FOSS event. School staff will help the children attending to get changed into their costumes or party clothes at school and accompany them to the Village Hall at 3.30pm, but once at the party adult supervision will be provided by FOSS and parent volunteers. We would warmly welcome parents and carers to help the team and provide support on the day- please email us at <u>friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk</u> when you send us your child's details to confirm if you are able to help. Thank you!

FOSS Christmas Fair -The deadline is looming for stall holders at the FOSS Christmas Fair on Saturday the 26th of November. We have a range of stalls including baked goods, cards and gift wrap, stationery, hand made wooden gifts and craft kits. Please spread the word to any local businesses and ask them to get in touch with us at <u>friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk</u>.

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Amended Key Dates below, please keep scrolling down....

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KEY DATES – AUTUMN TERM 2022

There have been a few changes to last week's list, changes highlighted in blue.

(Please note these are subject to change so please keep an eye on the newsletter & T2P App for any updates. We try to give as much notice as possible for events, but this is not always possible)

30 th September – Class 4 Eden Camp trip payment and lunch choices due
5 th October – Year 3 & 4 Football and Dodgeball MCSC
5 th October – Class 2 fourth swimming session
7 th October – Harvest Festival Service in the Church 2.00pm, all welcome
11 th October – Open Day for Prospective Parents 2023 and 2024
12 th October – Class 2 fifth swimming session
12 th October – Parent Forum meeting 7pm in school, all parents & carers warmly welcome
12 th October – FOSS AGM 7.45pm in school for all parents & carers, please support FOSS
14 th October – Please email FOSS re Halloween Disco by today- see poster
18 th October – Class 4 trip to Eden Camp
18 th October – Class 2 & 3 trip to Arboretum – letter to follow
19 th October – Class 2 last swimming session
19 th October - Class 4 Tag rugby Norton College – letter to follow
19 th October – FOSS Halloween Disco & Pumpkin competition -please see attached poster
21 st October – Break up for half term finishing at 3.30pm
31 st October – Return to school 8.50am
1 st November – Class 1 & 2 Parents' Evening
2 nd November – Class 1 & 2 Parents' Evening
4 th November – Flu vaccinations whole school – parent permissions required, complete online form
8 th November – Class 3 & 4 Parents' Evening
9 th November – KS2 Netball and Basketball MCSC – letter to follow
10 th November – Class 3 & 4 Parents' Evening
14 th November – Odd Socks Day for Anti-Bullying week
15 th November – Planet Protecting Superhero, Power Down Pete, workshops in school
16 th November – Class 4 Netball Norton College – letter to follow
23 rd November – KS2 Cross Country and Dodgeball MCSC – letter to follow
26 th November – FOSS Christmas Fair – Slingsby Village Hall
8 th December – Christmas Productions – Class 1 & 2 afternoon, Class 3 & 4 evening
15 th December – FOSS Christmas dinner and party for the children
16 th December – Break up for Christmas holidays. Christmas Service 1pm. Early finish.

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