



## SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thursday 15th December 2022

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### **A Message from Mr Smith**

It's been such a fabulous end to 2022 with all the festive activities and events that have been able to go ahead. A highlight for me was seeing the children perform their nativity plays in front of all their friends and family last Thursday. The children did so well and we are immensely proud of them all. I must also thank the staff for putting together such superb performances.



On behalf of all the children and staff of Slingsby School, we would like to say a HUGE thank you to our stupendous FOSS team who arranged - and generously funded - the whole school pantomime trip (which also included ice creams treats!) as well as the Christmas Fair, personalised Christmas Cards, Christmas Raffle AND Christmas Party. Needless to say, they work extremely hard and for that we are all very grateful. Thank you very much indeed, FOSS.

We hope to see you at our end of term Celebration Assembly, which is being held tomorrow in Slingsby Church at 1pm. All families are welcome to attend and you may take your child/ren from school early once the assembly is finished at approximately 2pm from school. School will remain open until 4:30pm as usual for those who can't leave early with MCSC still running after-school Sports Club.

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Thank you, on behalf of all our staff, for the wonderful Christmas messages, gifts and cards this week. I hope you have a fun and restful Christmas with your loved ones and we look forward to seeing you all in the New Year, returning Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January.

Many thanks,  
Mr Smith.



## **School News**

- We had a Safeguarding Advisor visit school for the day on Monday following our recent Safeguarding Audit. Mrs Osborne provides schools with advice and support on how school can further tighten their Safeguarding Offer.
- Our Year 6 children visited Slingsby Church to decorate two of the trees with prayers from school.
- School decorations are now on the tree in the Castle Howard Chapel so look out for them if you visit the Fairy Tale event.
- Please see below for photographs of the school art work and angels at Nunnington Hall.
- We have had lots of fun with our non-uniform Christmas jumper and Christmas lunch day today! The Christmas songs were playing while the children enjoyed Mrs Saunders' delicious roast turkey and chocolate Christmas tree cookie. Photographs are below.
- If you or anyone you know has a child starting school in September 2023, the deadline for applying for a primary school place is 15<sup>th</sup> January. To apply click on the link below <https://www.gov.uk/apply-for-primary-school-place>
- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> January is a Bank Holiday and Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January is a staff training day. School re-opens to children on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January
- All before and after-school clubs will resume on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January. If you would like your child to attend any of the before or after-school clubs, please email the school office or complete and return the attached form by Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023. You will be contacted via email to confirm your child/ren's place providing there is no outstanding debt.
- The new Spring Term menu was emailed out to parents/carers on Tuesday. The menu is also available for the school website.



## **Parent Pay Accounts**

**There is £228.50 debt on Parent Pay. Please can you ensure that you have NO outstanding arrears on your Parent Pay account before the start of next term.** Ideally, we would like all debt to be paid by the end of term, tomorrow. We request that all clubs and dinners are paid in advance to avoid accruing debt. If you do have outstanding items to pay for, this will be checked before we confirm places at before or after-school clubs in the New Year.



## **Nunnington Hall Christmas Display**

Nunnington Hall contacted school to thank the staff and children for all their hard work and the creativity they put into their decorations for Nunnington Hall. They also shared photographs of the Angel and Year 3000 rooms so you can see what the final result looks like. We think you'll agree they

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look fantastic! The children's artwork will be displayed in Nunnington Hall over the festive period if you would like to visit.



## **FOSS News**

**Christmas Party** - We are looking forward to welcoming the children to the Christmas party tonight and hope they have a fantastic time celebrating with their friends. Children attending will be accompanied by school staff at 3.30pm over to the Village Hall. The party will finish at 5.30pm - for children in class 1 and 2 please wait to collect your child/ren at the main front entrance, for children in class 3 and 4 please wait to collect them at the side door. This will hopefully speed up the safe exit of the children. If you have children in both groups, please use the main front entrance.

**Christmas Draw** - Thank you to everyone for your support selling and buying tickets for our Christmas Draw, we are delighted to confirm that we raised over £1,300, our biggest total in 5 years! A huge thank you to you all and congratulations to the Sagers family who sold the most tickets and will receive a voucher for Groovy Moo.

**Easyfundraising and AmazonSmile** - A reminder that FOSS is a registered charity with [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) and [smile.amazon.co.uk](http://smile.amazon.co.uk) and you can support us when Christmas shopping online. Simply log in to your account and select FOSS as your charity then shop as you normally would through the site online.

Finally, we would like to say a huge thank you for your support and we wish you all a magical Christmas and New Year from all the FOSS team.



## **Stay Save and Stay Off Ice**

Following the tragic news of events that happened in Solihull over the weekend, Mr Smith talked to the children about the dangers of frozen water in Tuesday's school assembly. Please find attached an important message from the North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service and Winter Safety Activity Sheet. Let's keep everyone safe this winter.



## **Appropriate Winter Uniform and Clothing**

Please send your children into school wearing plenty of layers and warm coats, hats, and gloves next half term. The classroom temperatures do drop when doors are constantly opened and closed and we

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will always go out to play if we can to get fresh air but it does get very cold in the playground. Please also remember wellies if it is snowy.



## Christmas Lunch Today



**MERRY**  
**CHRISTMAS**

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