



SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thursday 2nd March 2023

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A Message from Mr Smith

It has been a World Book Day extravaganza today and it has been brilliant to see all the interesting, bright and colourful characters in school (including our teachers!). We have loved celebrating the superpower of reading. Class One & Two paired up for the morning and they made Super-Hero spoons, bookmarks and masks; alongside sharing their favourite books and reading extracts from them. Class 3 & 4 came together for the whole afternoon to look back on their reading journey throughout their life; how their taste has changed over the years; and what they are currently enjoying. They then worked to create a 'Reading River' to illustrate this.



Have a great weekend, and keep reading! Mr. Smith



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School News

- Our Vice Chair of Governors, Rev. Robertson visited school on Monday afternoon to look at RE in the school. He very much enjoyed his visit and was amazed at how confident and keen our pupils were – in every class.
- The school nurses were here on Monday to take height and weights measurements for those children in Reception and Year 6 as part of the National Child Measurement Programme.
- Class 1 enjoyed their second swimming lesson yesterday. We are still short for the transport costs so if you haven't already and are able to pay a contribution for your child's transport costs via Parent Pay, it would be hugely appreciated.
- Mrs Jordan attended her SENDco training course at Ripon and York University on Wednesday.
- The second Maypole Dancing lesson is taking place after school today. The children were full of enthusiasm after the first session last week!
- Tomorrow, Class 4 will have a morning at Nunnington Hall with Ryevitalise, where the children will spend time taking part in and exploring four different activities linked to Geography, Science, Writing and World War II. Children should wear their uniform with warm outdoor layers and suitable footwear.
- Mr Smith has a meeting tomorrow with Mr Hogarth of the Slingsby Sports and Social Club to discuss ways the school can support the fantastic proposed improvements of the club facilities. Run by a team of dedicated volunteers, Slingsby Sports Club and Field has been a centre of community activities since at least the 1920's and is also a vital resource for Slingsby School. The club is currently seeking planning permission to extend and improve the facilities available to the village which will hugely benefit the whole community including all the children at Slingsby school. You can read more about the club's vision at <https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/slingsby-sport-for-all>
- Next Wednesday, all children from Year 3 & 4 will be attending a Basketball and Netball event at MCSC. A letter was emailed to parents and carers on Tuesday.
- Parents Evenings will be taking place later this month. Please look out for a letter with details and the booking forms which will be emailed out shortly.
- We are excited to have confirmed next year's Class 4 five-day outdoor adventure residential. This will be taking place in October at the Peat Rigg Outdoor Centre in Pickering. It has been great hearing the children talking about it this week. The activities will include: abseiling, archery, bush craft, caving, climbing, kayaking, zip lines, night line walks and forest adventures! Please can Year 4 and Year 5 parents and carers return their reservation slip and deposit by 31st March.



Snow

There is snow forecast next week. Please ensure the children come to school wearing plenty of layers, coats, hats and gloves as we will always try to be outside for break times if we can. Wellies are required if it is snowy. We do not anticipate this affecting the day to day running of school but if the weather turns out to be worse than the current forecast, please look out for text updates.



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Red Nose Day – Friday 17th March

This year, Red Nose Day is on **Friday, March 17, 2023**. For 2023, Comic Relief proudly presents **the new Red Nose**, exclusively designed by Sir Jony Ive which they describe as a magically transforming Red Nose which starts as a tiny, flat crescent and springs into a beautiful honeycomb-paper sphere proving that the littlest of things can make a huge difference. The theme for Comic Relief this year is again for the children to wear red and will be a non-uniform day. If you would like to make a donation, please click on the link below which will take you to Slingsby School's Comic Relief donations page which has been created by Parent Pay. Money raised through Red Nose Day provides grants to support programs that ensure children who are living in poverty are safe, healthy and educated.

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=10216>



Cyber Security

Cyber-crime is an ever-increasing problem, with the number of victims growing exponentially over the past few years including schools. You may have heard about the cyber-attack this week on W H Smith. Understanding cyber security is essential to protect networks, devices, and data from cyber-attacks and we are ALL responsible for it by regularly changing passwords, looking out for phishing emails and securing our devices.

By way of reassurance for you, we take cyber safety and security very seriously. North Yorkshire Education Digital Services provides our school with an internet filtering service to keep our school safe using firewall features, intrusion detection and prevention, and Gateway anti-malware to name just a few. They also back up our systems weekly. In addition, all staff and governors are currently undertaking the latest cyber security training courses including that provided by GCHQ's National Cyber Security Centre. We are also registered to with the Police Cyber Alarm System.



FOSS Update

Coronation tea towels - Thank you to all those who have already placed an order for our Coronation tea towels. The children have been working on their illustrations which will be used to create a tea towel design to celebrate the upcoming Coronation of King Charles III. These are available by pre-order only and the deadline is Tuesday 28th March, please see the attached leaflet for further details.

Scarecrow weekend and Slingsby May Day celebrations - Running across the weekend of 29th April to 1st May. We need your help to make this wonderful event a success and invite you to submit a scarecrow entry. There is no theme and you do not need to live in the village to enter, we just ask that your scarecrow is a child friendly character that families will be able to guess with a clue from the trail. Entries cost £2, the deadline is Friday the 31st March and there is a first prize for the scarecrow with the most votes! Entry forms will be coming out in book bags in the next couple of weeks.

As part of the weekend events FOSS run a pop-up cafe in the Methodist Chapel and this year we have taken on the Monday too, this is a wonderful fundraising opportunity but we really need your support across the whole weekend. We are asking for volunteers to help us run the cafe and for baked donations, if you are able to volunteer for 2 hours on one of the days between 10am and 4pm please email friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk, we are so grateful for your support.

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Please check the school newsletter and follow us on Facebook for further updates.

FOSS questionnaire - A sincere thank you to those who completed the FOSS questionnaire. Your thoughts, feedback and suggestions are incredibly helpful with our planning and understanding what is important to you and your families. For those of you who have kindly expressed interest in knowing more, we will be in touch very soon.



UPDATED KEY DATES BELOW.....

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UPDATED KEY DATES – SPRING TERM 2 & SUMMER TERM 1 2023

Please note that new dates will be added as we go through the term, and some dates 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.

Spring Term 2

Friday 3rd March – Class 4 trip to Nunnington Hall – morning only
Monday 6th March – Internal test week for all classes
Wednesday 8th March – Class 1 third swimming lesson
Wednesday 8th March – Year 3 & 4 Basketball and Netball tournament at MCSC – letter sent
Thursday 9th March – NO maypole session this week
Wednesday 15th March – Class 1 fourth swimming lesson
~~Wednesday 15th March – KS2 Football tournament Norton College – POSTPONED~~
Wednesday 15th March – Class 4 Ryevitalise workshop in school
Thursday 16th March – Third Maypole Session
Friday 17th March – Red Nose Day wear red non-uniform
Friday 17th March - FOSS Flower stall for Mother's Day
Tuesday 21st March – Class 1 & 2 Parents' Evening
Wednesday 22nd March – Class 1 fifth swimming lesson
Wednesday 22nd March – KS1 Football tournament at MCSC – letter to follow
Wednesday 22nd March – Class 1 & 2 Parents' Evening
Thursday 23rd March – Fourth Maypole session
Friday 24th March – Class 1 trip to Scarborough - Dinosaur Detectives- letter to follow
Tuesday 28th March – Class 3 & 4 Parents' Evening
Wednesday 29th March – Class 1 last swimming lesson
Wednesday 29th March – Class 3 & 4 Parents' Evening
Thursday 30th March – Fifth Maypole Session
Friday 31st March – Year 4 & 5 Peat Rigg deposit and forms due by today
Friday 31st March – Last day of term. Easter Service 1pm and early finish

Summer Term 1

Monday 17th April – Staff training day
Tuesday 18th April – Children return to school
Wednesday 19th April – Class 1 & 2 York Mosque Visit – letter to follow
Wednesday 19th April – Malton School Science Bus visit – Class 3
Thursday 20th April – Sixth Maypole session
Friday 21st April – FOSS non-uniform day for tombola prizes
Thursday 27th April – Last Maypole session
Friday 28th April – FOSS Bags2School collection
Saturday 29th April – FOSS Scarecrow weekend
Monday 1st May – Bank holiday. May Day celebrations on The Green. FOSS Stall.
Wednesday 3rd May – Years 3 and 4 Rounders at MCSC – letter to follow
Monday 8th May – Bank holiday for Kings Coronation
Tuesday 9th May – Year 6 SATS week
Friday 12th May – School photographs with Phototronics
Monday 15th May – KS1 SATS week
Wednesday 17th May – Malton School Science Bus visit- Class 4
Wednesday 17th May – Class 4 first swimming lesson
Wednesday 24th May – Class 4 second swimming lesson
Friday 26th May – Whole school golf day with Stu Warren
Friday 26th May – Last day of half term. Usual finish times.

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