



## SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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### A Message from Mr Smith

What a fantastic weekend and Bank Holiday Monday in Slingsby! FOSS were absolutely amazing in organising a fun-filled Scarecrow Weekend in the village and operated the hugely successful pop-up Café in the Methodist Chapel; and on Monday, the queues for the hot dogs snaked down the road! The hours and hours that were spent putting the trail together, organising the stalls, baking, rotas and more are indicative of the dedication to organising and running the most enjoyable events possible. We are extremely fortunate that so many members of the school community give their time and effort towards raising much-needed funds for the children of Slingsby CP School. Thank you FOSS, and thank you also so much to all who supported and helped out in many ways. Please read the "FOSS News" below for the Scarecrow Trail results and the incredible total raised for school.

A huge 'Well done!' also goes to our superstar Maypole dancers who really did give an impressive performance on Monday. It was the highlight of the May Day celebrations for the many crowds who gathered and we were incredibly proud of you all. I feel extremely privileged to be a member of such a vibrant and happy community.



Tomorrow we will be having a Coronation themed day so don't forget the children can bring Union Flag hats, flags, socks, hair ribbons etc. and any red, white and blue accessories you may have at home. We would also like to ask if you could please again supply picnic blankets for our planned outdoor lunch – similar to how we celebrated the Platinum Jubilee. Mr. Smith



### School News

- **IMPORTANT REMINDER** - Please ensure your children have their PE kits in school every day. We will go outside as often as possible this term and sometimes sports lessons get swapped around to work around the weather or other activities. For example, Class 3 & 4 will be doing some extra rounds on the sports field tomorrow afternoon.

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- Please ensure your children have sunhats and water bottles in school every day and that sun cream is applied before they arrive, in line with our Hot Weather procedures explained in our newsletter dated 20<sup>th</sup> April.
- Classes 2, 3 and 4 thoroughly enjoyed their interactive workshop with author Steve Skidmore on Wednesday, especially when the teachers had to act out some of the characters in his story! His enthusiasm for reading and writing was infectious and we very much hope he will come to visit us again. If you wish to purchase any of his books, please see his website <https://steveskidmore.net/> and let the office know.



- Representatives from Year 3 & 4 took part in a MCSC rounders tournament on Wednesday afternoon. Our Year 4 team won both of their games; and the Year 3 team won their first game and drew their second – meaning that Slingsby were undefeated: well done everyone! All always, their sporting attitude, teamwork and behaviour was exemplary.



- Tomorrow there is a change to the lunch menu. Mrs Saunders will be providing us with a delicious Coronation Picnic, hopefully outside weather permitting! Please see the attached flyer for details.
- Year 6 begin their SATS on Tuesday. They will start each day with a relaxing breakfast together before the assessments and we have no doubt that they will all give it their absolute best. Good luck Year 6!



## **YouTube Channel Accounts**

It has come to our attention this week that some children in school have their own YouTube Channel and actively post videos on the site. Mr. Smith spent time – as part of our commitment to ensuring every child is safe online – speaking with Class 3 & 4 about the guidance they must follow. He

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explained that if a person is under the age of 13, any channels on YouTube must be set up by their parent/carer. Furthermore, it is the adult's responsibility to post any online content for the child; not the child. In doing so, this protects children from posting any videos which may put them at risk. If any parents have concerns about online activity, please contact Mr. Smith.



## Parent Pay Debt

There is **£171.50** on Parent Pay for lunches and clubs. Please can you ensure that you have **NO** outstanding arrears on your Parent Pay account. As always, we request that ALL before and after-school clubs and school lunches are paid in advance to avoid accruing debt and assist with our financial management.



## FOSS Update

**Scarecrow weekend** - A huge thank you to everyone who helped us run the event across the bank holiday weekend, those who entered scarecrows, took part in the trail, volunteered on the stalls and supplied huge amounts of wonderful baked treats. This year we had the opportunity for the first time to run the cafe on the Monday as an extra day, we really were overwhelmed with the amount of wonderful baked donations we received to allow us to take this extra day on and for those who joined us on Monday you will know that they went down very well - we were incredibly busy! With your support we are delighted to confirm that this year's event raised just over **£2,200**, that is almost £1,000 more than last year!

We have counted the votes for the favourite scarecrow and can confirm that 1st place was Wallace and Gromit, 2nd place Wednesday Adams and 3rd place Paddington Bear. We also have a winner for the prize draw - Millie Harrison, who has won a Dalby Forest pass, congratulations!



**Bags2School** - Thank you to everyone who donated to bag2school on Friday, this raised £109, a brilliant result, thank you.

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**Coronation Tea Towels** – These were distributed yesterday however if you were unable to collect your order, please email FOSS and we will arrange to get your order to you. Thanks to your support, we have raised a total of £222.90. We do have a few spare so if you are interested in buying one or more, just let us know. They are £6 each or 2 for £10. We hope you are as happy with them as we are.

**Duck Race and Family Fun Day** - The planning has begun for our next big event, if anyone would like to join the Duck Race working group you would be very welcome, please email us at [friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk).



## **Slingsby Village Coronation Events**

Please see the attached flyer for all the events taking place in Slingsby this coming weekend, including the Big Help Out meeting on The Green at 11am on Monday.



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