



SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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A Message from Mr Smith

It's been lovely to see parents and carers in school this week for the Class 1 and 2 Parents' Evenings. Parent/Carer/Teacher appointments are critical in working together to help your children develop and are a great opportunity to talk about how your children are doing in school; and discuss how best to work together to support your child's needs. We look forward to seeing parents and carers at the Class 3 and 4 Parents' Evenings next Tuesday and Wednesday.

Sadly, our student teachers, Miss Timmens (Class 4) and Miss Sykes (Class 2) will be leaving us at the end of this term - having completed their final placement with Slingsby. Miss Timmens and Miss Sykes have made valuable contributions to school over the past three months and have become 'part of the team'. Needless to say, they will be massively missed by pupils and staff alike. We wish them all the luck in the world with their future teaching careers and would like to thank them for all their hard work, dedication, support and passion for teaching.

Finally, I had the pleasure of joining our Year 2 and Reception children on their football event at MCSC on Wednesday. The Slingsby Dragons won 1 and drew 2 games to qualify for the semi-final, in which they were narrowly beaten 2-1. Our Slingsby Tigers were unbeaten in their 4 games: winning 1 match and drawing 3 – well done to both teams! Our super Reception children enjoyed an afternoon of indoor football development activities and were wonderfully well-behaved. Mr. Smith



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School News

- We are starting the school scarecrow this week in Art Club and would be grateful of any clothing donations that are **bright** and **vibrant**. Clothing items could be hats, scarves, tops, trousers and/or shoes. We also are looking for donations of pillowcases which we can stuff with straw.
- Our Year 5 children thoroughly enjoyed going to see Shrek the Musical at Malton Secondary School on Tuesday. The children were impeccably behaved and were fantastic ambassadors for the school. They were really impressed with the acting and the singing and came away inspired by the event. We also saw a few familiar faces in the cast crew of Slingsby Alumni which was lovely to see.
- Further to our email last week, please ensure the children have their **FULL** PE Kits in school every day. For example, there were children without kit for the sports event at Malton Sports Centre yesterday so items had to be borrowed; and Mrs Jordan decided that due to the fabulous weather she would take the children to the tennis courts on Wednesday but not all kits were in school.
- Class 1 had their 5th swimming lessons at the St Albans Centre yesterday. Next week will be their last session.
- Maypole Dancing is on after school today for those who signed up.
- Class 1 have their exciting Dinosaur Detective Trip to the Rotunda Museum at Scarborough. Thank you very much to all those who have paid the £10 contribution to enable this trip to happen for Class 1. Unfortunately, there remains a shortfall, so if you have not yet managed to pay, we would be hugely grateful for a contribution. Sadly, trips like this will not be able to take place in the future if costs are not covered. Many thanks.
- Next week our school advisor is in on Monday and Thursday to review our Maths and Design Technology curriculums, as well as our attendance data and inclusion policies.
- Don't forget to order your Coronation Tea Towels through FOSS that all the children have made, and also to add your name to the volunteer rotas for Scarecrow weekend. Details below.



Parent Pay Debt

There is **£90.36 debt** on Parent Pay. Please can you ensure that you have **NO** outstanding arrears on your Parent Pay. **We request that all clubs and lunches are paid in advance** to avoid accruing debt.



End of Term Easter Service – Friday 31st March at 1pm

On the last day of term, we warmly invite you to our Easter Service, led by our Vice Chair of Governors Rev. Robertson, in Slingsby Church at 1pm. Parents, carers and family members are all welcome. Each class will be singing a song which they have been rehearsing during their music lessons, and we will also be incorporating our weekly celebration assembly awards. All children will return to school after the service, but may be collected from school early for the end of term (approximately 2pm). School will be open until 3.30pm as usual for those who are unable to collect earlier, and Sports Club will still be on until 4.30pm for any children booked in.



Club Price Increase

We emailed a letter on Tuesday of this week from Mr Smith updating you on school finances and the increase in club prices after the Easter holidays. Please note that the sessions will increase to the

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following and all clubs must be paid for in advance:-

- Breakfast Club - £3.50 per person
- After School Clubs - £3 per person (except Friday's Sports Clubs which is FOC)
- Chill Club - £6 per hour per person (£4 per hour for siblings)



Menu Change – Wednesday 29th March 2023

Next Wednesday, Mrs Saunders will be preparing an Easter lunch of Roast chicken, Yorkshire pudding, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes, Broccoli and Sweetcorn. The vegetarian option will be Vegetarian Sausage, and pudding for both will be Chocolate Fudge Pudding with Chocolate Sauce. There will also be the alternative option of a Cheese Sandwich available as usual.



Eco Update – Slingsby Village environmental group

There are two Eco Fairs coming up in our area, one in the Easter holidays for families:-

- Sat 22nd April (Earth Day): Pickering Community Celebrates Earth Day. This includes “Bee Amazing” activities at Beck Isle Museum, an Ecofair, a Bee Trail through town and a repair café. More details can be found here [Pickering - Ryedale Environmental Group \(ryedaleenviorgroup.co.uk\)](http://Pickering - Ryedale Environmental Group (ryedaleenviorgroup.co.uk))
- Sat 10th June: Ryedale Ecofair, Milton Rooms, Malton (in conjunction with and funded by the Great Big Green Week from the Climate Coalition).



Speech & Language Drop-In Sessions

Seaside SaLT is an independent paediatric Speech and Language Therapy service, working with children from 0 to 18 years in the Scarborough, Whitby, and Ryedale areas. Their drop-in's are a free service in which parents and carers can come and ask questions and voice their concerns about their child's speech, language, and communication development. Please see the attached flyer.



Red Nose Day

Thank you to all of those who donated to Comic Relief via the school's Parent Pay Link. We managed to raise £98. If you haven't yet donated and would like to, the donation link below will remain active for the next week: <https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=10216>



FOSS Update

Coronation tea towels - The children have been busy in school creating some beautiful illustrations for the Coronation tea towels, the deadline for orders is next Tuesday the 28th March, please note they are available by pre-order only.

Scarecrow weekend and Slingsby May Day celebrations - The deadline for scarecrow entries is next Friday the 31st March. 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 and there is a first prize for the scarecrow with the most votes!

To make this traditional event a success we need your support, please add your name to the volunteer

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rota which is available at parents evening in the school foyer. There are lots of 2 hour slots to fill for the pop-up cafe and on the children's corner across the weekend of 29th April to 1st May. We are also seeking donations of baked items, please add your name to the list in the school foyer with your baked item.

Preloved Uniform - We have some branded school cardigans in new condition left in stock in the sizes below, if you are interested in purchasing one, please email friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk. They are £8.00 each and available in sizes 24" Age 3/4, 26" Age 5/6, 28" Age 7/8.

Mother's Day Stall - A huge thank you to everyone who supported our Mothers Day stall, with your help we raised almost £280! Congratulations to Kate Stansfield, Sarah Kelly and Gemma Shipley who were prize winners.



Castle Howard Exhibition - "People We Love"

As part of Castle Howard's programme for this year we are hosting an exhibition in the Chapel called 'People We Love'. It is a digital art installation by Kit Monkman and will run from 18th May – 15th October.

We are recruiting as many people as possible from our Ryedale community to be part of the artwork!

People We Love is an artwork where individuals are filmed looking at images of people they love, the viewer does not know who the sitters are, or who they are looking at, we simply view a series of videos of compelling people's faces expressing an emotion that bonds us all: love. Think of it as a living portraiture project, where the filmmaker captures the faces of different communities around the world. Each participant appears on screen for a few minutes as part of a continually repeating cycle.

Guided by audio instructions, each participant will sit in a booth and be filmed gazing at a picture of someone they love (a picture the audience will never see.)

Filming will take place at Castle Howard, in the Grecian Hall on Tuesday 28th, Wednesday 29th and Friday 31st March, 10-4pm.

All that we ask is for you to sign up to a slot to be filmed and bring along a photo (physical or digital) of a person you love. We will never ask you who it is, or why you've chosen it, and no-one who views the final artwork will ever know who you are looking at.

The filming process takes around 20 minutes, and requires nothing more than your attention. We will be providing tea and coffee in the Fitzroy cafe for all participants.

Please sign up for a filming slot [here](#), and contact me if you have any queries.

We hope as many Ryedale community can take part, and please do sign up family and friends who would be willing to take part.

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