



SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thursday 30th March 2023

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A Message from Mr Smith

What a super Spring Term! The children have all worked really hard, are making progress and have enjoyed so many fun activities. We are very much looking forward to an action-packed Summer Term, and dates to note in your diary are included later in this week's newsletter below.

Please remember for next half term that the children should always have their full PE kits and water bottles in school, every day. Our fingers are crossed for improvement in the weather and we will be outdoors as much as we can be.

Please also remember to ensure your Parent Pay accounts are fully paid before the end of term and have credit before next term. This is vitally important for our school financial management.

Finally, please do offer to help our wonderful FOSS team over the Scarecrow weekend if you can in any way. It is one of our biggest fundraisers and is a really wonderful weekend to be a part of; whether it is baking a cake, entering a scarecrow, or providing an hour of your time to man the FOSS stall. They are currently very short of volunteers and we need your help to make it happen! The timetable for volunteers will be put outside the main entrance at the start and end of the day for anyone who can help. Please read more from the FOSS team below.

We hope to see many of you at Church tomorrow but trust you will all have a fantastic Easter break and are able to enjoy some well-deserved downtime. Mr Smith.



School News

- Class 1 had their exciting Dinosaur Detectives trip to the Rotunda Museum in Scarborough last Friday. They started with fossil handling and a discussion about the different types of fossils, before splitting into groups to learn more about how fossils are formed and the different kinds of dinosaurs - particularly how to identify them. The children were impeccably well behaved and Miss Pearce said it was lovely to see the children sharing their knowledge, as well as learning and remembering new facts.
- Our Local Authority school advisor has been in school this week focusing on our Maths and Design Technology curriculums which has been really beneficial.
- Class 1 had their last swimming lessons at the St Albans Centre yesterday and their behaviour, support for each other and good-manners has been outstanding every week! Class 4 will start their block of 6 weeks swimming sessions on Wednesday 17th May – a letter will follow after Easter.
- Maypole Dancing is on after school today for those who signed up.
- Mrs Martindale completed a Primary Science Network Training Course yesterday.

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- The Clubs Booking form for next half term has been emailed out this week, please complete it for any club bookings as far in advance as possible and ensure credit is on your Parent Pay accounts.
- The Summer Term Menu was emailed out earlier in the week.
- PE kits are being sent home today, as they are quite wet and dirty from today's sports rugby lessons. PE kits will not be required in school tomorrow so there is no need for washing tonight!
- Our end of term celebration assembly and Easter Service, with songs from each class, will take place tomorrow in Slingsby Church at 1pm. The children will return to school after the service but may leave early if you wish to take them. 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.



Attendance Reminder

Thank you to everyone for the concerted effort to improve punctuality and attendance. It has been very pleasing to note the very positive and direct impact this has had on learning and progress in school. As per our protocol, letters will be emailed out tomorrow notifying parents/carers if children have an attendance percentage of less than 95% for the year so far.

By way of reminder, attendance is closely monitored and we have a duty to report to Governors and the Local Authority. Children with attendance below 95% are flagged and reasons discussed so that if help is needed, we can offer that help to families. Our Attendance Policy is that children arriving in school **after 8:50am** must be accompanied by a responsible adult who is required to walk them to the front door, ring the bell and provide a reason for the late arrival. Arrival after the close of registration at 9am is classed as an unauthorised absence unless there is a genuine acceptable reason for lateness. For leave of absence during term time, parents/carers are required to complete the Application for Leave in Term Time form on our website six weeks in advance for consideration by Mr Smith. Mr Smith can only authorise leave in exceptional circumstances. Many thanks for your ongoing support.



Parent Pay – Please clear debt immediately

We are required to have nil debt on Parent Pay for the end of our financial year. Where possible, we have spent time transferring any credits you had on individual Parent Pay items over to the relevant debt items to clear debts that still remained on accounts. If there was no credit available, there will still be debt showing on your account. There is currently **£10.00** on Parent Pay. Please can you ensure that you have **NO** outstanding arrears on your Parent Pay by the end of this month to help with our year end. **As always, we request that all clubs and lunches are paid in advance to avoid accruing debt and assist with our financial management.**



FOSS Update

Scarecrow weekend and Slingsby May Day celebrations - Entry deadline for scarecrow entries is tomorrow! Please submit your entry via email to friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk or hand in your form to school, you do not need to live in the village to enter and there is a first prize for the scarecrow with the most votes!

We desperately need your support over the weekend of 29th April to 1st May, **please volunteer** for a slot in the pop-up cafe or the children's corner, we have lots of slots left to fill. The rota is available to add your name to at school or email us.

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Coronation tea towels - Thank you to everyone who ordered the school Coronation tea towels, we will be in touch after the Easter holidays to confirm the collection details.

Bags2School - Our next collection is Friday the 28th April, an ideal opportunity to have a sort out and a great way to raise funds for school. Details of accepted items can be found at bag2school.com.

Duck Race and Family Fun Day - Our biggest fundraiser will be taking place this year on Saturday the 15th July, we will be pulling a working group together to organise this event, please check the school newsletter and Facebook for details coming soon.



Books for Ukraine – Thank you

Thank you to everyone who donated books for children in Ukraine. Liv, Eve and Nancy did a superb job of delivering them to Natalia for us.



Morrisons - Kellogg's Breakfast

From Monday 3rd April for three weeks, customers can go into the Morrisons cafe any day before 11am and get a free bowl of cereal. They just need to mention the Kellogg's Breakfast Club. There's no age limit, and customers can come back on multiple days while stocks last. They have set aside 50,000 breakfasts across the country. Feel free to pass on the message to anyone you think might be interested.



Old Malton and Malton Cricket Club – Women and Girl's Cricket

It has been the desire for some time at MOMCC to launch a Women's and Girls' Cricket section and teams at the club. The initiative is integral to the club's future vision and development. It is our hoped, we can embark on this exciting venture this season. We would like to kick this off by a call of interest to women and girls from Year 6, to see who would be interested in having a go and trying out cricket for the first time. Or for those of you who may have had a go and played before to join in and be part of the development. For those who would like to play with a little competitive edge, we intend to put a team together to play against other local clubs. For those who are not ready or do not wish to play in a team and just wish to come together socially for the chilled wine, that is just fine too! The club's coaches will run the sessions starting Saturday 6th May at 9:30pm. The session will be softball, all equipment will be provided. Please, I would encourage you to have a go, there is no obligation, we just need to start the "ball" rolling for the benefit of women and girls. If you are interested, please contact Adrian Upton at malton.wg@gmail.com.



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KEY DATES – SUMMER TERM 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.

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
Wednesday 19th April – Malton School Science Bus visit – Years 3 & 4
Thursday 20th April – Sixth Maypole session
Friday 21st April – FOSS non-uniform day for tombola prizes
Monday 24th April – Arrival of chicken eggs – Class 1 & 2
Tuesday 25th April – Class 3 trip to North Wood Fairy Trail – letter to follow
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 & Maypole performance
Wednesday 3rd May – Years 3 and 4 Rounders at MCSC – letter to follow
Wednesday 3rd May – Author Workshops with Steve Skidmore – Class 2 & 4
Monday 8th May – Bank holiday for King's Coronation
Tuesday 9th May – Year 6 SATS week
Friday 12th May – School photographs with Phototronics
Monday 15th May – KS1 SATS week
Wednesday 17th May – Class 4 first swimming lesson – letter to follow
Wednesday 17th May – Malton School Science Bus visit- Class 4
Wednesday 24th May – Class 4 second swimming lesson
Thursday 25th May – New Reception Starters Parents' Evening
Friday 26th May – Whole school golf day with Stu Warren
Friday 26th May – Last day of half term. Usual finish times.

Summer Term 2

Monday 5th June – Children return to school
Tuesday 6th June – Duncombe Park Estate day – whole school
Wednesday 7th June – Year 5 & 6 Victorian Day with Mr Conyard
Monday 12th June – Test week and Phonics Screening
Wednesday 14th June – Class 4 third swimming lesson
Friday 16th June – New reception starters first settling in session
Tuesday 20th June – Class 2 & 3 Egyptian Day with Mr Conyard
Wednesday 21st June – KS2 Rounders tournament – letter to follow
Wednesday 21st June – Class 4 fourth swimming lesson
Friday 23rd June – New reception starters second settling in session
Tuesday 27th June – Year 5 Experience day Malton School
Wednesday 28th June – Class 4 fifth swimming lesson
Thursday 29th June – Summer Entertainment Evening Village Hall
Friday 30th June – New reception starters third settling in session
Wednesday 5th July – Class 4 last swimming lesson
Wednesday 5th July – KS1 Summer Sports Events MCSC – letter to follow
Wednesday 5th July – Rounders tournament Norton College – letter to follow

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Friday 7th July – Non- uniform day for FOSS Duck Race Tombola
Friday 7th July - New reception starters last settling in session
Tuesday 11th July – Year 6 Crucial Crew day – letter to follow
Wednesday 12th July – Whole School Sports Day
Thursday 13th July – Year 6 Leavers’ Trip
Saturday 15th July – FOSS Duck Race
Tuesday 18th July – KS1 Beach Day
Wednesday 19th July – KS2 Beach Day
Thursday 20th July – Year 6 Leavers Lunch
Friday 21st July – End of Term and Leavers Assembly Village Hall

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