



## SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2023

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### A Message from Mr Smith

We had an enjoyable assembly at Chapel on Tuesday themed “Autumn Days” and it has certainly felt Autumnal this week!

There has been a lot of activity in school this week with Class 1 learning about how the human body changes as we grow, and we have loved cooing over their baby photos! Class 2 have been learning about diverse families, as well as experimenting with clay and making their own pinch pots – I think I had as much fun making them as our brilliant Year 2 and 3s! Class 3 created their own digestive systems in science - which was delightfully messy; and Class 4 are studying the Greeks; writing their own story openings using one of the Percy Jackson stories as their inspiration. It has been a pleasure to walk around school this week seeing the children engrossed in their work. Keep it up everyone!

We are very happy to be supporting FOSS with their annual Halloween Party for the children on 25<sup>th</sup> October and have been busy booking in many more events for this term. Please read below for details. Many thanks. Mr. Smith



### School News

- We hold many meetings between 3.30pm and 4.30pm; therefore, while after school clubs are taking place, there are no spare staff to come to answer the door. If your child is in after school club, please wait for the children to leave all together via the front door at 4.30pm. If you need to take your child early on occasion, please advise the office.
- The 50<sup>th</sup> Slingsby Village Produce Show was a great success on Saturday and there were so many impressive apples, potatoes, marrows, pumpkins, cakes, art work and handwriting to name but a few! A lot of our children won prizes which will be given out in the coming week. Thank you to all the teachers, children and families for taking part and supporting this longstanding village tradition.
- We are pleased to report that we passed our annual Fire & Safety audit and inspection on Monday and were complimented on the high standards of our school.
- Mr Smith and Miss Secker had a good meeting on Monday evening with Class 4 and their families in preparation for their one week residential at the Peat Rigg outdoor activity centre in October. There is a lot of excitement in the air in Class 4! Payment is due by 5<sup>th</sup> October please.
- Mr Smith is looking forward to recommencing the School Council meetings tomorrow, where the children will be discussing ideas for the new House Point system.
- On Wednesday next week, Class 4 will be taking part in our first of many Primary Games competitions at Malton Community Sports Centre. We will be playing basketball and netball against Sheriff Hutton, Norton, Amotherby, St Mary’s and Malton primary schools. A letter will be coming out with details shortly.

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- The debt is creeping up again already on Parent Pay. Please can you check your accounts and ensure all items are in credit.



## Flu Vaccinations – whole school

The immunisations team will be coming to Slingsby School on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October. Please read the attached parent/carer leaflet which tells you all about the Flu Programme. There is an E-consent link on the flyer (and below) which parents and carers need to have completed before Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October. We would recommend that this is done as soon as possible to avoid missing the deadline. **Please complete the form even if you do not wish your child to receive the vaccination or if they have received it elsewhere.** <https://yny.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2023/northyorkshire>



## FOSS Update

- ❖ **Join us for a catch-up** - We are actively seeking new members to join FOSS and are calling out for your help to continue with our calendar of events. We are having an informal catch-up at 7pm on Thursday the **28th September** at the Grapes in Slingsby and would warmly welcome anyone interested to find out more about FOSS, please feel free to get in touch and email us on [friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk) or talk to a member of FOSS outside school.
- ❖ **A date for you diary** - The AGM will take place on Thursday 19th October and everyone is welcome, details to follow.
- ❖ **FOSS Halloween Party** - We are pleased to invite all Slingsby school children to this year's FOSS Halloween Party on Wednesday the 25th October from 3.30pm in the Village Hall (please see the attached poster for more details).

Tickets are £5 pp and must be purchased in advance by Friday 20th October on each child's own Parent Pay, there will be no ticket sales on the door. £1 entries for the pumpkin carving competition must also be paid on the child's own Parent Pay.

We welcome all children from school to join us for a snack box, fun, music and games with our very special host, DJ Frankensmith!

The Halloween party is a FOSS event. On the day of the party, children can bring their costume in a named bag to school along with some money if they would like to buy any treats from our stalls. Please make sure the costumes are age appropriate for the whole school. School staff will help the children attending get changed into their costumes at school and accompany them to the Village Hall at 3.30pm, but once at the party adult supervision will be provided by FOSS and parent volunteers. If you would like your child/ren to attend, please do the following:

1. Email us at [friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk) by Friday 20th October with:-

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- The number of tickets you would like and the names AND class of the children attending
- Emergency contact details
- Name of designated parent or guardian to pick up
- Any dietary requirements
- If you are able to attend and help as a parent volunteer

2. Please pay for each child's ticket and pumpkin entry in advance through their own Parent Pay account by Friday 20th October. If you have been unable to activate a child's Parent Pay account, please contact the School Office so they can help you as this is the only way to pay. Please don't group siblings together as this causes difficulties with the administration and accounts.

We understand that financial circumstances are difficult and for any families finding it tricky to pay for a ticket please email the school office and FOSS will be happy to help with the cost. We will be running a fancy-dress competition, with a prize each for KS1 and KS2, plus the pumpkin carving competition. Pumpkin entries can be left outside the Village Hall on the day of the party.

3. WE NEED VOLUNTEERS to help us on the day – please email us when you send us your child's details to confirm if you are able to help. Thank you!

4. We are seeking donations to sell at our tuck shop, if you are able to donate baked goods such as cupcakes, traybakes and treats for the children, they can be brought to school on the morning of the party, thank you.



### **Speech and Language drop in sessions**

Please see the attached flyer from Scarborough, Whitby & Ryedale SEND Hub regarding the Early Years Communication and Interaction drop-in sessions they are hosting for parents/carers. It's an opportunity for parents/carers to talk and/or seek advice and support around all aspects of your child's communication skills.



### **Malton Secondary School Open Evening**

Malton School are having an Open Evening on Thursday 28th September from 6.30pm to 9.00pm for all current year 5 and 6 pupils and their parents/carers. It's a great opportunity to see for yourself what Malton School has to offer. Please see the attached letter for further details.



### **Norton College Open Evening**

Norton College will be hosting an Open Evening on Wednesday 27th September from 5pm. More information can be found on their website.



### **Swinton Band**

Swinton Band has registered to take part in 'Music for All's Learn to Play '23' and will be inside Malton Library from 9.30 am until 12.30 on Saturday 7th October for anyone to come along and have a chat and have a go at playing various instruments. Their Beginners Group and Training Band will, weather permitting will also be performing outside the library from around 10am to 12 noon.

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