

### SLINGSBY CP SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## **Thursday 19th October 2023**

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## A Message from Mr Smith

Another week has flown by and the children have continued to work very hard. I would like to say a special 'Well done' to all our children in Year 5 & 6 who were an absolute credit to the school last week during their residential at Peat Rigg. Every one of them pushed themselves to achieve beyond what they thought was possible and we are so proud of them all!





Please support the FOSS AGM this evening, as we would love to see you and hear your thoughts for the future.

We would also like to invite you all to join us and FOSS next Tuesday afternoon, any time from 3pm – 5pm in the playground, where your children can show you all the new upgrades we have made to our outdoor areas that the FOSS fundraising has greatly helped to provide for. FOSS will also be holding a cake sale and raffle too so please bring your loose change!

Mr. Smith

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#### **School News**

- We have had a couple of instances this week where children have had chocolate spread in their packed lunches containing nuts. Please can we emphasise the importance of checking ingredients and items in packed lunches to ensure no nuts are included as we have children in school with severe nut allergies. Many thanks.
- Please ensure all children have their PE kits and a full water bottle in school every day.

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WE KINDLY REQUEST <u>NO</u> NUTS OR NUT DERIVATIVES ARE BROUGHT INTO SCHOOL IN PACKED LUNCHES OR AS SNACKS.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING.

- As previously mentioned, we are supporting the Ryedale Food Bank this year as part of our Harvest Festival celebrations so the children can donate non perishable food items as per the attached leaflet in school tomorrow.
- Autumn Term Parents' Evening letter went out this morning. Please email us with your top
  three preferred date and time slot by Wednesday, and once we have received the majority, we
  will email you to confirm your meeting time. Meetings must be kept to ten minutes per child. If
  you have any further issues you wish to discuss which may take longer, you can make an
  appointment to speak with Mr Smith or your child's class teacher on another ocassion.
- Your child should have brought their FOSS Christmas card design home this week. If you haven't already, please make sure you return your child's form tomorrow as they need to be sent off to the card company on Friday.
- Flu vaccines take place next Friday. Please complete the online form to confirm whether you
  wish your child to have the flu vaccine in school or not. Many thanks.
  https://yny.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2023/northyorkshire
- Mr Smith and Mr Storrar, our Chair of Governors, had an Autumn Term Planning meeting this week with the Local Authority to identify further areas where we can work together to further enhance our educational offer.
- Our School Finance Officer spent the day in school with us yesterday reviewing our budgets
  and three year forecast. It was difficult to hear that the government has made an error with
  their funding allocation for all schools next year, as you may have seen in the news, but we
  remain positive as a school and our children continue to thrive which is what matters most to
  us.
- Class 4 enjoyed their first of six swimming lessons yesteday at Pickering swimming pool.
- Our teachers attended Leavening school on Wedensady evening for a writing moderation session with teachers from other local schools. These meetings are always incredibly useful for assessing and understanding best practice for teaching and marking curriculum subjects.
- Tonight is the FOSS AGM at 6.30pm in school which is a great opportunity to chat about supporting the school and to think about new ideas. Everyone is welcome.
- We hope to see you at our Harvest Fesitval Assesmbly tomorrow in All Saints Church at 2.30pm (not 2.45pm as previously stated).
- We also hope you will pop in to the playground at pick up time on Tuesday where FOSS will be having a cake sale and raffle and you can see all our upgrades.

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## **PARENT PAY DEBT**

There is £139.17 outstanding debt on Parent Pay. Please pay this immediately. There should be no debt on parent pay, all accounts should be in credit ahead of each week. Please pay off debt on account items and place credit on for next week.

### FOSS Update

**FOSS AGM tonight - Thursday the 19th October** - We warmly welcome everyone to join us at the AGM at 6.30pm, in school, please use the main entrance.

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**FOSS Halloween Party Tickets** - The final day to purchase your child's ticket to this year's Halloween Party is tomorrow, Friday 20th October as there will be no ticket sales on the door. Please pay for your tickets in advance through Parent Pay and then email us at <a href="mailto:friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk">friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk</a> with:-

- > 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 donate any baking

Entries for the pumpkin competition are £1 and can also be paid through Parent Pay. Pumpkin entries can be left outside the Village Hall on the day of the party.

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 change if they would like to buy any treats. 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, once at the party adult supervision will be provided by FOSS and parent volunteers.

There will be a tuck and treat shop at the party so please send some change if you would like to.

**School Open Afternoon next Tuesday the 24th October** - FOSS will be hosting a bake sale and raffle at the school open afternoon, please do call by and say hello! It would be a brilliant opportunity to find out more about FOSS, our events and meet some of the existing team, and don't forget some change for our home-made bakes and raffle!

**School Uniform Sale** - We will be a hosting a pre-loved uniform sale after the half term break, please check the newsletter for more details in the next few weeks. We are also able to order brand new uniform from the supplier at key times of the year, please email us at friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk with your enquiry.

**Personalised Christmas Cards -** Thank you to everyone who has returned the forms for their children's Christmas Cards, please check the newsletter for future updates.

Bags2School - The next bag2school collection is on Friday 1st December.

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