



SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thursday 1st May 2025

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A Message from Mr Smith

It has been quite the week with the heat wave and our Ofsted inspection!

Thank you to everyone who completed the Ofsted parent/carers survey and for chatting with the lead inspector on The Green on Wednesday morning. Thank you also for the kind emails of support. All the staff and children were brilliant at discussing everything about our school during the two-day visit. The report will be available for us all to read in approximately 30 days-time and this will be sent out to all families.

We are really looking forward to the spectacular May Day Celebrations this weekend. Thank you to FOSS who have been working so hard to prepare the scarecrow trail, pop-up shop and May Day events. Please drop your baking and pre-loved items to school tomorrow. We look forward to seeing many of you over the weekend and the timetable of events is attached.

In other news, our amazing peripatetic Choir Leader - Mrs Noble-Coates - received an invitation from the King to attend a reception at Windsor Castle at the start of this month. Mrs Noble-Coates is the Project Manager of the charity Musical Connections who have been recognised by the King for their work with community music across the United Kingdom. We can't wait to hear all about it!



Last week the house point totals were: Dragon - 971, Griffin – 983, Pegasus – 875 and Phoenix – 971: well done to Griffin house!

Due to this week's Ofsted visit, our Monday's Slingsby Value Award hot chocolates had to be postponed but will be done tomorrow Friday afternoon instead.

Mr. Smith



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School News

- Mrs Breckon handed out the Maypole costumes to the girl dancers on Monday afternoon. The costumes were put in named bags and should have been brought home in readiness for Monday's performance. Please return the costumes after Monday.
- Class 3 enjoyed a visit from the Malton Secondary School Science Bus workshop on Wednesday where they learnt about sound and vibrations.
- As part of our Speak Out, Stay Safe NSPCC safeguarding programme, all classes watched an online assembly on Wednesday and we are looking forward to the NSPCC volunteers coming in to speak with us next week. After their visit, the children will be asked to complete a child-friendly survey about what they learnt. You should have received a letter last week about this and if you do not wish your child to complete the survey, please fill in the withdrawal form before Next Tuesday using this link <https://forms.office.com/e/C0rHkQdGFW>
- For those Class 4 families who contributed towards transport for the cancelled Rounders and Cross-Country event, a refund is being processed.
- The NYC library bus is visiting tomorrow. If you have any books to return, please hand to a member of staff at pick-up today or drop-off in the morning.
- The school nurse will be in next Wednesday to complete the heights and weights for Reception and Year 6 (third time re-arranged).
- Next Thursday is the 80th anniversary of VE day and we will be having a VE day assembly on Monday, and activities on Thursday for KS2 children with Mr. Smith. It also ties in with national Outdoor Classroom Day so hopefully the weather will stay fine for us to do our VE Day learning outside.



FOSS Update

Scarecrow weekend & Slingsby May Day celebrations are this weekend!

The scarecrow weekend is upon us. If you have entered a scarecrow, numbers have now been handed out, please check book bags.

We would be very grateful if you could donate to the following for us to sell over the weekend:

- Please bring good quality children's games, jigsaws and books to school on Friday morning.
- We need baked items to sell in our pop-up café across the whole weekend, donations of sweet or savoury items such as cakes, traybakes, biscuits, scones and quiches would be greatly appreciated. Please bring baking to school tomorrow or directly to the Chapel on Saturday, Sunday or Monday.

Please come along and join in with the weekend - this year we have a bumper 34 Scarecrows to find around Slingsby. Call in at the pop-up café inside the Chapel, buy a trail, solve the clues and find the scarecrows, hand in your completed trail to be entered into a draw to win a family day pass to Lightwater Valley!

On Monday, we will be joining in with the village May Day festivities, this year FOSS are hosting the café in the Chapel selling hot dogs, sausage rolls, children's lunch packs and a range of delicious baked treats. We also have a bar on the green, a sweet cart and children's games, with glitter face painting and traditional favourite's such as bat the rat!

Please see the attached leaflet for more information.



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Child Welfare and Safeguarding - who to speak to

Details of our safeguarding contacts can be found on our website at [Safeguarding & Child Protection - Slingsby Community Primary School](#). If you have concerns about a child's welfare, please contact one of our school safeguarding members:

- ❖ Mr. L. Smith (Designated Safeguarding Lead): headteacher@slingsby.n-yorks.sch.uk
- ❖ Mrs. C. Jordan (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead)
- ❖ Mr. T. Storrar (Safeguarding Lead Governor): chair@slingsby.n-yorks.sch.uk

Further advice can also be obtained from:

- ❖ The Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO) on: 01609 533080
- ❖ The Local Authority Multi-Agency Support Team (MAST) on: 0300 131 2131
- ❖ North Yorkshire Police on: 101



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