



SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Thursday 15th May 2025

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A Message from Mr Smith

I'd like to begin this week's newsletter by saying how proud Miss Secker and I are of our Year 6 pupils this week. They have all tried ever so hard to do their very best in their SAT tests between Monday and Thursday and our invigilating governor, Mrs Welsh, also commented on how focussed and determined they had been when trying their very best.

Whilst I have caught up with some of our fantastic Slingsby Values Award winners from the last few weeks, due to Ofsted, SATs and a power cut unfortunately I have fallen behind with our weekly hot chocolate meetings! I will be catching up with everyone before the end of term to celebrate their awards.

With only one week of this half term to go, I am currently working on more special 'sport themed days' to make our Summer term 2 one to remember, so watch this space for future updates.

Last week's House Point totals were: Dragon – 233, Griffin – 149, Pegasus – 177 and Phoenix – 185. Well done to Dragon house!

As always, have a lovely weekend. Mr. Smith



School News

- Today the whole village including the school had a power cut from 11:15am till 1pm due to a fire in a sub-station. Our emergency response plan was followed and lessons continued as normal. Unfortunately, hot lunches could not be provided but Mrs Saunders sprang into action and made a variety of sandwiches for the children which were enjoyed by all.
- Miss Hope and Mrs Massey have completed the Summer Census today.
- Tomorrow is our individual, class and sibling photographs with Phototronics. The children are welcome to bring a hairbrush to school!
- Our new reception starters' Parents' Evening is taking place on Thursday evening next week, not Wednesday as originally diarised. We are delighted to be welcoming 15 new starters in September.
- It is the FOSS Bag2School collection next Friday. More details are below, it is a great opportunity for a clear out!



Eco Schools Update - How pollinator friendly will you BEE this summer?

Eco Schools News: Tuesday 20th May is World Bee Day.

World Bee Day is observed on 20th May each year to draw attention to the essential role bees and other pollinators play in keeping people and the planet healthy. The theme for 2025 is ***Bee inspired by nature to nourish us all***. Bees are pollinators, each bee can pollinate up to 100 plants in just one flight. Bees can account for up to 70% of all pollination of plants and crops in the UK. Pollination is essential for supporting the production of crops, including fruits, vegetables, nuts and seeds. Did you know there are over 20,000 species of bee in the world of which 270 of them are in the UK?

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Sadly, the number of bees worldwide is in decline. In the UK, wild bees and bumblebees are particularly affected. This decline is attributed to various factors including habitat loss, the use of harmful chemicals in agriculture and climate change.

So, what can we do to help? In our outdoor area at school, we have several bug hotels which can provide shelter to wild bees. Also, we have sown wildflower seeds to help attract bees and other pollinators providing nectar. At home you could allow lawn 'weeds' to flower by cutting less often. Why not try No Mow May? Honey bees gather nectar from four million flowers to make one kilo of honey. Try and buy honey and other hive products from your local beekeepers or trusted brands whose honey can be traced back to a beekeeper.



FOSS Update

Bag2School - Friday 23rd May

Gather up your unwanted clothes and other items and raise money for FOSS. Please leave donations in sealed bags on the green between the main school entrance and Class 2. For a full list of accepted items please visit bag2school.com.

Dates for diary after Half Term

Pre-loved Uniform Sale & Tuck Shop with ice lollies and homemade treats - Friday 6th June

We will be out on the green with our large range of excellent quality pre-loved uniform in a range of sizes. Come along from 3pm for a browse, plus we will have ice lollies and homemade treats for sale. Please see the attached leaflet for more information.

If you have an enquiry before, please email us at friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk with your requirements and we can help you out.

Father's Day Krispy Kreme Order - Friday 13th June

We will be hosting another Krispy Kreme order for Father's Day, more details to follow.

Duck Race and family fun day - Saturday 5th July

The planning has begun for our next big event! Please look out for duck sponsorship forms in book bags next week with more details to follow. If you can help for a few hours on the day, please email us at friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk or speak to a member of FOSS.



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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