

SLINGSBY C.P. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER Thursday 22nd May 2025

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A Message from Mr Smith

I wanted to start our newsletter this week by saying a HUGE thank you to Mr. Tom. Storrar, who has worked so very hard in supporting Slingby CP School over the past 5 years as parent governor and Chair of Governors. At this week's FGB meeting on Tuesday, Mrs. Louise Hayes was voted in as our new Chair and Mrs. Rebecca Welch our new Vice Chair.

This also opens up a vacancy for new a Parent Governor after half term and we will shortly be inviting nominations for our vacant Parent Governor position. Governors provide a great deal of added value and vital support to school; so if you feel you would like to contribute, please do put yourself forward.

On first day back we are very much looking forward to hosting a Skateboarding and Scooter workshop for all classes with *Rubicon* who have visited our school before. It promises to be a lot of fun as the children are taught the basic skills before moving on to learning some fun little tricks. This workshop has been booked with the intention of starting next half term positively.

You will have read in the letter sent out by Governors earlier today that we are having a real focus on behaviour and attitudes next half term and I hope that this workshop will provide all our children with the opportunity to shine with their teamwork, respect and manners.

Last week's house point totals were: Dragon – 338, Griffin – 332, Pegasus – 304 and Phoenix – 307. Congratulations to Dragon House!

Have a lovely half term break. Mr. Smith



School News

- Mr Smith and Ms Breese attended a Physical Intervention training course at Fylingdales Primary School on Tuesday which has given them ICM accreditation.
- The Class 1 swimming letter went out on Monday. Please complete the online swimming ability
 form by the end of today so that the swimming tutors at the St Alban's Centre can plan the
 sessions before they start after half term.
- Those Year 6 children moving up to Ryedale Secondary School in September attended a Literacy Day this week.
- We were asked to take part in a Year 6 SATS Validation Trial for future SATS on Wednesday by the DFE. This is mandatory for schools to do if asked, and the Year 6 children did really well.
- School Council meeting today...
- We are looking forward to warmly welcoming our new reception starters' Parents' Evening tonight in Class 1.
- There is a Bags2school collection tomorrow morning on The Green, more details below.

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• We will finish at the usual time of 3.30pm tomorrow for half term, and Sports Club will still take place. School re-opens on Monday 2nd June.



Eco Schools Update

As we are now halfway through the Summer Term, we are almost ready to submit our Eco Schools application to gain our award. The children have been working hard across the whole school since September 2024. We still have a few items to complete next term though before we are ready.

Good news, we have yet again surpassed our target for recycling batteries in school. Last time we set ourselves a new target of 800. Well, at the last battery deposit you as a school community had reached an **amazing 832!** So, thanks to everyone. Can we hit the 1000 mark by the end of term?

Next term we will hopefully be taking part in plastic free July and Big Green Week.

Next week, during half term is National Children's Gardening Week. If you visit their website, there are lots of ideas and free activities to do for all the family https://www.childrensgardeningweek.co.uk/



FOSS Update

Bag2School - Tomorrow Friday 23rd May

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.

Duck Race and family fun day - Saturday 5th July

Please look out for duck sponsorship forms in book bags this week. There is a prize for the most ducks sold so ask your neighbours, family, friends, and colleagues to help you raise money for our wonderful chool! If you need extra sponsor forms please ask a member of FOSS or email friendsofslingsbyschool@hotmail.co.uk. Good luck!

After Half-Term...

Pre-loved Uniform Sale & Tuck Shop with ice Iollies and homemade treats - Friday 6th JuneCome along to the green from 3pm to have a browse of our excellent quality pre-loved uniform in a range of sizes, plus we will have ice Iollies 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.



Malton Show Art Competition

This year the Show committee are organising the Art Competition and the theme is 'Back British Farming'. If your child would like to enter the competition, entries can be dropped off at the Horticultural tent first

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thing on the Show morning or to the Show office at the top of the Shambles by 5pm on Friday 20th June. The Show date is Sunday 29th June.



Malton Food Festival

Malton Food Lovers Festival takes place this coming bank holiday weekend, Saturday 24th – Monday 26th May 2025. Join us from 9am on the Saturday and 10am on the Sunday and Monday for a weekend of top chef and food writer demonstrations, 120 stalls brimming with Yorkshire-made produce, scrumptious street food, entertainment for all the family, live music, the Malton Grill and Smoke Festival, the Malton Sculpture Trail and more! It's free entry too. For more info including festival timings, head to www.visitmalton.com/food-festival-yorkshire



<u>Transpennine Trail for Half Term</u>

We're delighted to let you know that our latest Children's activity pack is now available to download free, from the Trans Pennine Trail website in time for Half Term. Packed with engaging activities, kids can explore nature with a Rainbow Scavenger Hunt, create a journey stick, collecting treasures along their walks to create a unique keepsake, and make a delicious mug cake or an egg box bird feeder. The pack also includes a butterfly colouring page, a Wordsearch, and the latest instalment of Mandy Mole's adventure along the Trans Pennine Trail. It's a fantastic way to keep little ones busy over the Half Term and to enjoy the beauty of the season!

The pack is aimed at primary school children with help as necessary from their parents or carers, and older children may enjoy some of the activities too.

The activity pack can be used 'on the go' by downloading it to a mobile or can be printed at home. We can send out printed copies to people who don't have a printer or are unable to access the website if they get in touch with us.

Download it from our Children's page at: https://www.transpenninetrail.org.uk/welcome-to-our-childrens-page/



Child Welfare and Safeguarding - who to speak to

Details of our safeguarding contacts can be found on our website at <u>Safeguarding & Child Protection</u> - <u>Slingsby Community Primary School</u>. 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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