

## **Newsletter 15 Friday 6th January 2023**

Dear Parents and Carers,

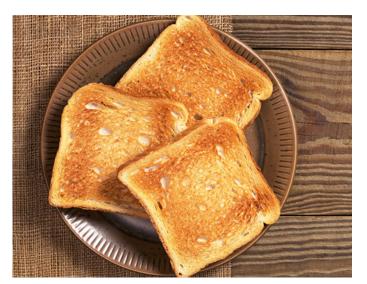
Happy New Year to you all. I hope that you managed to find some peace during the busy Christmas period.

The team at Slimbridge know that our work is far more than just teaching children the National Curriculum. It is about helping children grow as people and become functioning members of society who understand their feelings and the feelings of others.

At Tuesday's INSET, the staff team focused on Restorative Practice, a system of formal and informal processes that build and sustain a culture of kindness, respect, responsibility and justice.

This is achieved through emphasising the importance of trusting relationships as central to building community and repairing relationships when harm has occurred. The core principle being that, in the majority of situations, Restorative Practice is used instead of sanctions to help children understand the impact that their actions have on others and help them to put it right.

I have shared the six steps we follow when engaging in Restorative Practice and there will be a parents' session later in the term.



Reflect - Repair - Reconnect

What Happened?

What were you thinking / feeling at the time?

What do you think / feel about it now?

Who has been affected? How has this affected you?

What is needed to make things right?

How will you stop this happening again?

This week's trial of Toast Time has been a big success. The children have thoroughly enjoyed having toast at breaktime and there is lots of research to show that a carbohydrate based snack at mid-morning keeps children feeling full and helps them to concentrate and learn in class.

For our toast we use a 'best of both' bread and a vegan spread which tastes delicious!

If you signed up for the free trial or you wish to start your child on Toast Time, giving them a delicious piece of toast each day, you will now need to sign up via ParentPay.

Toast Time costs just 20p a day!

There are two options:

£11 for the term until March 31st £23.60 for the rest of the school year.

If you are eligible for Pupil Premium and Free School Meals, toast time is available for free, just contact the school office.

Term 3 Wednesday 4th January - Friday 17th February		
Date	Class	Event
Wednesday 4th January	All Children	Start of Term 3
Friday 20th January	All Children	Chinese New Year—Dragon Dancing Workshop (Demonstration to parents at 2:45pm)
Wednesday 25th January	Selected KS2 Children	Panathlon at KLB - letters will go out to children invited to take part
Thursday 26th January	Class 4 & 5	UKS2 Trip to the SS Great Britain
Tuesday 31st January	Year 6	NHS Year 6 dental survey
Friday 3rd February	Parents	Tea with the Head
Tuesday 7th February	All Children	Safer Internet Day
Wednesday 8th February	Parents	Gloucestershire Constabulary—Online Safety for Parent Workshop at school 4-5pm
Wednesday 15th	KS2 Children	Dursley tag rugby festival (TBC)

## Letters and information for events will be sent out in due course.

