



# SLIMBRIDGE

primary school

Newsletter 2—22.09.16

Dear Parents and Carers

Despite only being the Autumn Equinox, it already feels like we are well into our academic year. The new Reception children are well established and already playing out with the rest of the school, under the careful watch of their buddies. We look forward to them joining us for lunch next week.

Today we hosted a training event run by the Tyndale Cluster and Pie Corbett on Talk for Writing, this is a model of engaging children that we have been using at the school for a number of years. We believe it makes a huge difference to the way children write and their enthusiasm for writing. It has been a huge pleasure to have Pie at the school and share this with other small schools in the area. We will be sharing children's writing in assembly this Friday.

Parking, as you all know, is a continuous concern at the school. Our main aim is to keep the children safe and avoid accidents. We have managed to reduce the illegal parking around the entrance to the school and therefore improve the safety of children and families using the pedestrian way near the A38. The school advises parents to park at either the British Legion car park or the Village Hall car park, this reduces the numbers of cars on the side of the road, avoids blocking drives and passing places. Only those drivers with a blue badge or with specific permission from the school are allowed to use the staff car park, drivers need to be aware that children and adults move around the car park and use the pedestrian way outside the car park. I appreciate your support with this, we are always looking at options to relieve the parking issues.

Regards  
Alison Cooke

To give your child the best protection against Measles, Mumps and Rubella a child needs two doses. This is because the vaccine does not always work fully the first time. Therefore if your child has not had a second MMR as part of pre-school vaccines, I would encourage you to do this now by contacting your GP/Practice Nurse.

Children in year 1, 2 & 3 are also eligible for flu vaccine this year.

Further information can be accessed from the following website  
<http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/pages/vaccination-schedule-age-checklist.aspx>

## IMPORTANT DATES.

Friday 7th October —  
Class 5 Cake Sale

Wednesday 12th October —  
KSI E safety talk.

Wednesday 19th October —  
Harvest Festival 2.00pm at the Church

Thursday 20th October —  
INSET DAY—Staff attending a Talk for Writing Conference.

Friday 21st October —  
INSET, staff on Safeguarding training

Thursday 10th November —  
School Photos (Individuals)

W/B 14/11/16 —  
Parent Progress Meetings.

## Reception 2017

We are currently showing parents round the school for places in our Reception 2017.

If you would like to visit the school please contact the school office on  
**01453 890216**



## The BIG Question?

Would you rather be able to fly or be invisible?



## Tesco's and Bags of Help.

We are delighted to announce that we have successfully bid for a grant from Tesco's to build an Outdoor Classroom.

Which could look a little like this.....



Our project has been shortlisted for a public vote in Tesco's #BagsofHelp initiative! Please ask your family, friends and neighbours to vote for our school in any of the local Tesco's stores.

Voting in Tesco stores will start on 31<sup>st</sup> October – 13<sup>th</sup> November to help us secure a Tesco #BagsofHelp grant and build an Outdoor Classroom.

Our thanks go to Jess Hoskins who wrote the bid, organised the advertising and generally has done EVERYTHING.