



Gilbert Colvin
Primary School



NEWS

Headteacher: Ms Liz Cohen

23 May 2025

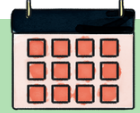
Headteacher's Note



Yesterday, our school came together for a fantastic bake sale and non-uniform day, organised by the School Council. It was wonderful to see everyone taking part so enthusiastically, all in support of a good cause.

During Monday's assembly, our school councillors shared an important observation - they noticed that sometimes, not all children had friends to play with during break times. Their solution? A 'buddy bench' for the playground - a space where children can sit if they would like company or a friend to play with. The bake sale and non-uniform day helped raise over £400 and we are still calculating the final total! We are very proud of the councillors for their thoughtfulness and leadership. A huge thank you to everyone who baked, donated, and supported the event - and of course to our School Council and Ms Fasham for organising. Have a great half term, everyone!

Key Dates



Monday 2nd June | First day back after half term

Wednesday 4th June | Year 3 Young V&A Visit
Year 4 Hazel Library Visit

Friday 6th June | Year 6 Redbridge Museum Visit

Tuesday 10th June | Year 6 Library Visit

Wednesday 11th June | Year 3 Elm Library Visit

Thursday 12th June | Year 1 Ash Library Visit

Monday 16th June | Reception Sports Day

Tuesday 17th June | Key Stage 1 Sports Day
Year 2 Pine Library Visit

Wednesday 18th June | Key Stage 2 Sports Day
Year 1 Willow Library Visit

Thursday 19th June | Year 2 Beech Library Visit

Friday 20th June | Nursery Sports Day

Reading Recommendation



This week, our School Council raised an important theme - friendship. They highlighted that sometimes, even in a busy environment, people can still feel lonely. Having good friends can make all the difference! To explore this theme further, our recommended read is *Charlotte's Web* by E.B. White. This classic book tells the story of a little pig named Wilbur, who befriends a wise and caring spider, Charlotte. Through their friendship, Charlotte helps Wilbur in ways he never imagined, showing the true power of kindness and loyalty. Interestingly, *Charlotte's Web* was published around the same time our school opened, in 1952, and is one of the books that we read in depth in class as part of our English curriculum.



Attendance



Attendance w/b Monday 19th May 2025:

Reception - 96.3%
Year 1 - 93.78%
Year 2 - 93%
Year 3 - 97.04%
Year 4 - 97.62%
Year 5 - 94.29%
Year 6 - 96.3%

Well done to Reception, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 6, whose attendance figures are above the school's target of 96%.

Whole school attendance: 95.33%