





Headteacher: Ms Liz Cohen I 13 December 2024

HEADTEACHER'S NOTE

This penultimate week at Gilbert Colvin has been a whirlwind of activity, highlighted by the wonderful Christmas performances from our Nursery, Reception, and Key Stage 1 children. I'm sure you will agree that all of the children performed brilliantly and should be very proud of themselves.

A huge thank you goes out to everyone who made these events special: the pupils for their enthusiasm, the parents for their support and attendance, and, of course, our wonderful school staff for their tireless efforts behind the scenes.

We hope to see many of you later for our last event before the Christmas holidays: our Christmas Clothes, Books and Toys Giveaway Event. Have a lovely weekend.

KEY DATES

Friday 20th December LAST DAY OF TERM Reception to Year 6 - 1.30pm Nursery - 11.45am THERE IS NO PM SESSION

Tuesday 7th January Start of term

Wednesday 8th January Year 5 Victorian Day

Wednesday 15th January Reception application deadline

READING RECOMMENDATION

This week, our usual weekly assemblies took a pause to make way for the younger children's Christmas performances. However, I'd still like to take a moment to recommend a classic book that is perfect for the festive season: The Snowman by Raymond Briggs.

This timeless, wordless picture book tells the story of a young boy who builds a snowman that magically comes to life. Together, they embark on a magical nighttime adventure, culminating in a sad yet beautiful ending that captures the fleeting magic of childhood and the winter season.



ATTENDANCE

Attendance w/b 9th December 2024:

Reception - 77.99% Year 1 - 86.28% Year 2 - 92.96% Year 3 - 94.57% Year 4 - 92.89% Year 5 - 96.17% Year 6 - 96.19%

Well done Years 5 and 6 for achieving our target attendance of 96%. Attendance in other year groups has been affected by illness.

Whole school attendance: 91.13%

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