



# GILBERT COLVIN NEWSLETTER



Headteacher: Ms Liz Cohen | 06 December 2024

## HEADTEACHER'S NOTE

There is just one week left until our special Christmas Clothes, Books and Toys Giveaway event. If you are able to donate any children's clothes, books or toys, please bring them to the office by Thursday 12th December. All donations must be clean and in good condition. We are asking whether any parents might be available to volunteer their time to help organise items and assist with staffing stalls during the event. Your support would be greatly appreciated!

On Christmas Jumper Day, parents will have the option to either donate £1 (proceeds to charity) or contribute a tombola prize for the tombola at the event. All proceeds from the tombola will be donated to a local charity.

We look forward to seeing you there and at our Christmas Concerts and Nativity performances.

## KEY DATES

Tuesday 10th December @9.15am  
Nursery Christmas Concert



Wednesday 11th December  
Reception Christmas Concert @9.15am  
Year 3 Synagogue Trip

Thursday 12th December  
Year 1 Nativity Performance @2.15pm  
Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch. **Please respond to School Ping message to order a Christmas meal.**

Friday 13th December  
Year 2 Nativity Performance @9.15am  
Christmas Clothes, Books and Toys Giveaway Event @3.30-4.30pm

Friday 20th December - 1.30pm  
**LAST DAY OF TERM**

## READING RECOMMENDATION

In this week's assemblies, we had an exciting visit from Rocksteady, a provider of in-school band lessons. They performed a selection of songs and involved the children. The performances were a huge hit and we're pleased to see that so many pupils have already signed up for lessons!

To tie in with our musical theme, our reading recommendation of the week is *The Bear and the Piano* by David Litchfield. The story follows a young bear cub who discovers a piano in the forest. Through daily practice, he transforms the sounds into beautiful melodies. A perfect read for inspiring creativity and a love of music!



## ATTENDANCE

Attendance w/b 2nd December 2024:

Reception - 86.87%  
Year 1 - 90.58%  
Year 2 - 97.22%  
Year 3 - 95.10%  
Year 4 - 96.32%  
Year 5 - 93.58%  
Year 6 - 97.14%

Well done Years 2, 4 and 6 for achieving our target attendance of 96%.

Whole school attendance: 93.72%