



Gilbert Colvin Primary School

Wednesday 11th September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We're excited to welcome you back into school, and the first opportunity to do so will be our *Meet the Teacher* sessions next Monday. A separate email with full details has already been sent.

We also have a number of upcoming events and opportunities where we'd love your support:

Fundraising Events

We're planning two parent-led fundraising activities this term:

- *Bring and Share Event* – Friday 26th September, to celebrate European Day of Languages
- *Bake Sale* – Thursday 16th October

If you're able to help with either event, please leave your name at the school office - we'd be very grateful.

World Teachers' Day - Non-Uniform Fundraiser

To raise funds for school resources, we'll be holding a non-uniform day on Friday 3rd October. Children are invited to dress as a teacher character from a book, or even one of our own Gilbert Colvin teachers!

Gardening Help

Mr Pallet has been working hard to refresh our planting beds and would love some help from parents and children after school. A separate email with dates and details will follow shortly.

Charitable Giving

Our Harvest Collection will begin in late September, and we'll also be collecting donations at our Christmas events. These will be donated to a local charity chosen by the children.

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Book Fair

The Book Fair will run from 20th to 24th October, including during Parents' Evenings on 22nd and 23rd October. It's a great chance to browse and buy books while supporting the school.

Class Assemblies

We're delighted to invite parents to our first class assemblies of the year:

- Year 6 Elder – Friday 10th October at 9.15-9.45am
- Year 6 Oak – Friday 17th October at 9.15-9.45am

Full details of these events are available on the [school calendar](#) and will be included in the next [newsletter](#). Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We look forward to seeing you in school soon.

Sincerely,

Liz Cohen
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