



GILBERT COLVIN NEWSLETTER



Headteacher: Ms Liz Cohen | 15 November 2024

HEADTEACHER'S NOTE

This week, we received the final batch of parent questionnaires, and as mentioned on School Ping, I will be sharing the results with parents over the coming week. We're thrilled to have received over 90 responses - thank you for your thoughtful and constructive feedback!

To further increase home/school communication, I'm excited to announce the launch of a monthly Parent Forum. These sessions will provide an opportunity to discuss key aspects of school life and share updates. The first Parent Forum will take place on Friday 29th November at 9.15am, with a focus on the school's development priorities for the year, which can be found [here on our website](#). If you would like to join, please sign up via the School Ping sent earlier this week.

KEY DATES

Tuesday 19th November
Year 2 Beech Library Visit

Wednesday 20th November
Year 1 Ash Library Visit

Friday 22nd November
Year 5 Open Classroom (9.15-10.00am)
Bring and Share Event (3.35-4.30pm)

Tuesday 26th November
Year 5 Science Museum
Aim High Maths Trip (10 pupils)

Friday 29th November
Year 4 Open Classroom (9.15-10.00am)
Parent Forum 9.15am

Thursday 12th December
Years 1 & 2 Nativity performance @2pm

Friday 13th December
Years 1 & 2 Nativity performance @9.15am

Friday 20th December - 1.30pm
LAST DAY OF TERM



READING RECOMMENDATION

This week at school, we marked Anti-Bullying Week with a range of activities, including Odd Socks Day on Tuesday, celebrating individuality and kindness. During our assemblies, we explored this year's theme, 'Choose Respect', and reflected on practical ways to tackle bullying in our daily lives. In the Key Stage 1 assembly, we read the story *Something Else*, which highlighted how being judged or excluded for being different can lead to feelings of isolation - and even cause someone to exhibit similar behaviours themselves. The story inspired thoughtful discussions about empathy, inclusion and how we can all work together to support each other.



ATTENDANCE

Attendance w/b 11th November 2024:

Reception - 85.21%
Year 1 - 91.84%
Year 2 - 95.21%
Year 3 - 92.60%
Year 4 - 97.84%
Year 5 - 94.38%
Year 6 - 94.48%

Well done Year 4 for achieving our target attendance of 96%.

Whole school attendance: 93.04%