



GILBERT COLVIN NEWSLETTER



Headteacher: Ms Liz Cohen | 11 October 2024

HEADTEACHER'S NOTE

Parents' evening is scheduled for October 23rd and 24th. Parents will be able to book their meetings through School Ping so please keep an eye out for further communication.

We are excited to announce that we have received three nominations for the position of parent governor. Additional information regarding the election process will be shared with parents, and each child will bring home a ballot paper - one vote per family, even if multiple children are enrolled at Gilbert Colvin. Your participation is important so please remember to cast your vote!

KEY DATES

Thursday 17th October
Year 2 trip - London Transport Museum 

Friday 18th October at 3.45pm
Black History Month 'Bring & Share' event

Thursday 17th-Thursday 24th October
Book Fair

Monday 21st October 9.00-9.30am
Healthy Lifestyle Session for Reception and Year 6 parents only

Wednesday 23rd/Thursday 24th October
Parents' evening

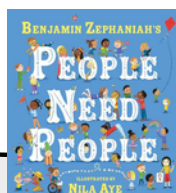
Thursday 24th October
Year 5 trip - Tower Bridge Engine Room

Friday 25th October
End of term - 3.25pm

READING RECOMMENDATION

In this week's assembly, we discussed World Mental Health day, which is marked each year on 10th October. This year's theme focuses on mental health in the workplace and schools. We explored ways to support ourselves and each other when facing overwhelming emotions, or as we call them, 'big feelings'.

We read the picture book 'People Need People' by children's poet, Benjamin Zephaniah which felt especially relevant to our discussion.



ATTENDANCE

Attendance w/b 7th October 2024:

Reception - 94.62%
Year 1 - 91.03%
Year 2 - 95.21%
Year 3 - 94.68%
Year 4 - 89.26%
Year 5 - 96.88%
Year 6 - 97.22%

Well done Years 5 and 6 for achieving our target attendance of 96%.

Whole school attendance: 94.24%



BLACK HISTORY MONTH

This year, our school is excited to celebrate Black History Month by engaging each class in learning about significant historical events and influential Black figures, both past and present. In addition, pupils will explore how Black culture has shaped the arts. You will be able to join us for a gallery exhibition where we will showcase all of the amazing things we have learnt! You can explore the exhibition in the hall during parents' evening on October 23rd and 24th.

To enhance our celebration, we're hosting a Black History Month themed 'Bring and Share' event and warmly invite parents and staff to contribute a dish. This is a wonderful opportunity for our community to come together and enjoy delicious food while celebrating our school's diverse heritages.

If you'd like to participate and contribute a dish, please let us know by emailing the office and giving your child's name and class. The event will take place after school at 3.45pm on Friday 18th October.