



Gilbert Colvin
Primary School



NEWS

Headteacher: Ms Liz Cohen

21 November 2025

Headteacher's Note



We're delighted to announce that our Christmas Fair will be going ahead as planned, thanks to the wonderful support of parents and staff who have volunteered to run stalls and lend a hand.

As part of the fair, there will be a pre-loved stall offering clothes, books, and toys, free for parents to take home. If you are able, please donate any good-quality items to help stock this stall - you can drop items at the office. We will also be holding a non-uniform day on Friday 28th November. In return, we ask for donations of items that can be used in our tombola. Finally, if any parents who run businesses would like to contribute prizes for our raffle, these would be very gratefully received.

We've noticed an increase in litter around the site, particularly snack wrappers after school. Please help us keep our school clean by ensuring that any wrappings are placed in pockets or disposed of in the bins provided.

Key Dates



Tuesday 25th November | Year 2 Pine library visit

Wednesday 26th November | Year 1 Willow library visit

Thursday 27th November | Year 3 Synagogue visit; Year 2 Beech library visit; Year 6 residential meeting 3.45pm

Friday 28th November | Year 1 Ash library visit; Year 3 Open Classroom 9.30am

Monday 1st December | Year 6 Open Classroom 2.25-3.10pm

Friday 5th December | Year 4 Open Classroom 9.15-10.00am; Christmas Fair 3.30-5.00pm

Monday 8th December | SEND coffee morning 9.15-10.15am; Rocksteady concert 1.30pm

Tuesday 9th December | Reception Christmas concert 9.15-9.45am

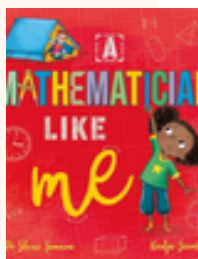
Wednesday 10th December | Nursery Christmas concert 9.15-9.45am

Reading Recommendation



This week in assemblies, we marked Maths Week. At Gilbert Colvin we celebrate maths in many different ways, so we explored why it matters and how people use it in different jobs.

We also shared the book *A Mathematician Like Me*, which shows children that maths is everywhere - from cooking and shopping to building and designing - and that anyone can be a mathematician. It was a great reminder that maths isn't just about numbers, it's a skill we use every day.



Attendance



Attendance w/b Monday 17th November 2025:

Reception - 88%

Year 1 - 93.18%

Year 2 - 93.32%

Year 3 - 94.75%

Year 4 - 93.39%

Year 5 - 96.72%

Year 6 - 95.93%

Well done Year 5 for achieving the school's target of 96%.

Whole school attendance: **93.99%**