



Gilbert Colvin
Primary School



NEWS

Headteacher: Ms Liz Cohen

20 June 2025

Headteacher's Note



This week, our Sports Days took place across the school - from Nursery to Year 6. Although I wasn't able to attend, I've heard that the children (and parents!) had a wonderful time and somehow managed to stay cool despite the hot weather. A big thank you to all staff involved in making the events such a success, especially Mr Wilson and Miss Wilmot for their fantastic organisation. We've also been strengthening our music provision this year. The school now offers peripatetic music lessons through Redbridge Music Services, and every pupil in Years 3, 4 and 5 has had the opportunity to take part in whole-class instrumental lessons. Pupils have also been able to sign up to Rocksteady, and we're looking forward to two upcoming music concerts - on Monday 7th July at 2pm and Thursday 10th July at 10am. The children have absolutely loved taking part, and we can't wait to hear the final performances!

Poetry Competition



As no assemblies took place this week, our reading recommendation is on hold for this week. However, children in Years 5 and 6 were invited to enter a poetry competition organised by Valentines Mansion for all Redbridge schools, about Victorian kitchens. Participants were invited to an awards ceremony, at the mansion, last weekend, and three of our Year 6 students attended: Megan, Mia and Elina.

The girls all wrote amazing poems and Mia was awarded first prize by the judges. We are very proud of all of the participants.



Key Dates



Monday 23rd June | Reception Induction Meeting
2.00-3.00pm

Tuesday 24th June | Reception Acorn Library Visit

Wednesday 25th June | Parent Attendance
Workshop 9.00-11.30am
Reception Apple Library Visit

Tuesday 1st - Tuesday 8th July | Book Fair

Wednesday 2nd July | Reception Stay & Play

Thursday 3rd July | Primary/Secondary Transfer Day

Wednesday 9th July | Parents' Evening

Wednesday 9th - Friday 11th July | Year 6 Residential
at Gilwell Park

Thursday 10th July | Parents' Evening

Wednesday 16th July | Year 6 Performance

Friday 18th July | End of term @1.30pm

Attendance



Attendance w/b Monday 16th June 2025:

Reception - 95.78%

Year 1 - 92.05%

Year 2 - 92.5%

Year 3 - 98%

Year 4 - 98.41%

Year 5 - 93.28%

Year 6 - 97.3%

Well done to Year 3, Year 4 and Year 6, whose attendance figures are above the school's target of 96%.

Whole school attendance: 95.33%