



Gilbertstone Primary School

October 2024

Newsletter



Happy half term & Happy Diwali!

Children break up for half term on Friday 25 October and return to school on Tuesday 5 November. It has been a wonderful start to the new school year, and it is lovely to see that all of our new reception are settling in and getting used to school life! Don't forget, if your child is in Year 6 then you need to apply for their secondary school by Thursday 31 October at the latest. Year 1 & 2 really enjoyed their Halloween party this week, thank you to the staff who gave up their time to help. If you and your family are celebrating Diwali over the holidays then may the light of Diwali illuminate your home and heart with happiness and prosperity. I hope everyone has a relaxing break over half term and we look forward to seeing all of the children back safe and well soon.

Mrs O'Reilly

Year 2 Assembly

A very well done to Year 2 for their amazing assembly! Thank you so much to all of the families that came along to watch, we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did! Thank you for all of the costumes, the children really looked wonderful!



Parents Evenings

Parents Evenings are taking place on
TUESDAY 5 NOVEMBER
THURSDAY 7 NOVEMBER

The appointments can be accessed via the school website on the 'Parent' tab.

If you need any help, please call the school office. The School Book Fair will be available during Parents Evenings.

Harvest festival

Thank you so much for all of the kind donations for the Harvest Festival. The charity were so grateful for your support.

Thank you to our Chair of Governors, Reverend Alex French for coming along.



Lunch boxes

Please can we remind parents that children who bring their own packed lunches should **not have any products that contain nuts**. This is to safeguard children with allergies in school. Please can you ensure that your child's lunch is healthy and well balanced and does not include sweets or fizzy pop.

Reading Workshops

Thank you to all of the parents who attended the recent Year 1 Reading Workshops. We hope that the workshop has helped you to understand what is taught in school and will help you with supporting the children with their reading at home.

"You can find magic wherever you look. Sit back and relax all you need is a book!"

Dates for your diary... so far!

Please note these dates are always subject to change and it is not a definitive list. Thank you!



Date	Event
Monday 4 November	School closed for Training Day
Tuesday 5 November	Children back to school
Tuesday 5 November	Parents evening 3.30pm - 6.00pm
Tuesday 5 - Friday 8 November	Book Fair in school all week open from 3.15pm
Thursday 7 November	Parents evening 3.30pm - 6.00pm
Monday 11 November	Walk around for prospective Reception 3.30pm
Wednesday 13 November	Year 2 African Drumming Workshop
Thursday 14 November	Rec—Y6 Flu Vaccination
Monday 18 November	Class 2W Reading and Spelling Workshop
Tuesday 19 November	Year 5 trip to Tamworth Castle
Thursday 21 November	Class 2B Reading and Spelling Workshop
Tuesday 26 November	School photos
Tuesday 3 December	Year 4 to Cadbury World trip
Thursday 5 December	Class 3P visit to the church
Friday 6 December	Class 3S visit to the church
Monday 9 December	Green group Christmas Workshop for parents
Wednesday 11 December	Year 4 Assembly 8.50am
Thursday 12 December	Red group Christmas Workshop for parents
Tuesday 17 December	Christmas Dinner Day
Thursday 19 December	Christmas Party Day
Friday 20 December	Break up for Christmas
Monday 6 January 2025	School closed for Training Day. <u>Children return to school on Tuesday 7 January 2025.</u>



Proud alert!

We are so very proud of Poppy in Year 2 as she has been so brave and donated her hair for the Little Princess Trust Charity. The hair donation goes to help children and young people experiencing the devastating effects of hair loss and is an incredibly generous thing to do! What a wonderful Gilbertstone Girl you are Poppy and what a fabulous thing to do.



Marble Jar rewards

Well done to 3P who have enjoyed parachute games! And congratulations to 2W who have had the games box. 5S had trim trail time and 6M who have enjoyed laptop time.



Please can children have their water bottles in school every day, thank you.