



Gilbertstone Primary School

July 2026 Newsletter



End of the Summer Term

As we reach the end of another busy and successful school year, we would like to take this opportunity to extend a heartfelt thank you to all our wonderful children, families and friends who have been with on the journey. This term has certainly tested us with the recent heatwave, and despite the soaring temperatures, our teachers and support staff have continued to provide care, learning opportunities and experiences for our children. We are incredibly proud of the resilience and maturity the children showed during this time.

We have enjoyed a fantastic end to the Summer Term filled with memorable events and achievements. From Sports Days, class assemblies and Year 6 Prom, to exciting workshops, educational visits and special visitors - there has been so much to celebrate. A particular highlight was our fantastic Year 6 Leavers' Production, which showcased the talents, confidence and teamwork of our oldest pupils. We would also like to wish our Year 6 children every success and happiness as they move on to secondary school. We are incredibly proud of all they have achieved during their time with us and look forward to hearing about their future successes.

This term also brings some staff changes. We say a fond farewell to Mrs Chau, who is leaving us to begin an exciting new chapter in her teaching career at a special school. We thank her for all she has contributed to our school community and wish her every success in her new role. At the same time, we are delighted to welcome Mrs Walji, who will be joining our team in September as our new Year 5 teacher. We look forward to introducing her to our pupils and families.

Finally, congratulations and best wishes to Miss Iqbal, who will be getting married during the summer holidays. We hope she has a wonderful day and every happiness for the future.

Thank you to all our pupils, families and staff for your continued support throughout the year. We wish everyone a safe, restful and enjoyable summer break and look forward to welcoming you back in September!



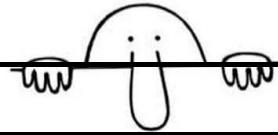
School will be closed on Tuesday 1 September and Wednesday 2 September for Training Days.
Children are to return to school on Thursday 3 September. Thanks

PE days for Autumn 2026

	Indoor	Outdoor
Reception	Friday (this will start once the children have settled in to school after a few weeks)	
Year 1	Wednesday	Tuesday
Year 2	2P Monday 2L Thursday	Friday
Year 3	3B Swimming 3W Indoor PE (Tuesday)	Monday
Year 4	Friday	Thursday
Year 5	5W Monday 5I Thursday	Wednesday
Year 6	Tuesday	Friday

Children can come in to school in their PE Kits on their PE days.

Term Dates 2026 - 2027



Autumn Term 2026

Tuesday 1 September	School closed for training day
Wednesday 2 September	School closed for training day
Thursday 3 September	Children return to school
Friday 23 October	Break up for half term
Monday 26 October - Friday 30 October	Half term week off
Monday 2 November	School closed for Training Day
Tuesday 3 November	Children return to school
Friday 18 December	Break up for Christmas

Spring Term 2027

Monday 4 January	School closed for Training Day
Tuesday 5 January	Children return to school
Friday 12 February	Break up for half term
Monday 15 February - Friday 19 February	Half Term week off
Monday 22 February	Children return to school
Wednesday 24 March	Break up for Easter holiday
Thursday 25 March	School closed for Training Day

Summer Term 2027

Monday 12 April	Return to school
Monday 3 May	Bank holiday
Friday 28 May	Break up for half term
Monday 31 May - Friday 4 June	Half Term week off
Monday 7 June	Return to school
Wednesday 21 July	Children break up Summer holidays

