



Gilbert Colvin
Primary School



NEWS

Headteacher: Ms Liz Cohen

6 February 2026

Headteacher's Note



Thank you to all the parents who attended our recent Parent Forum. As always, the slides will be available on our [website](#). If you'd like to explore our discussion focus, the curriculum, you can find further information on the following pages on the school website:

- [Yearly curriculum maps from Nursery to Year 6](#)
- [Subject information pages](#)
- [Class pages with half-termly curriculum maps](#)

Thanks to the funds raised at our last bake sale, pupils have chosen several new book sets for our library. This term, we will also be using fundraising income to purchase equipment for our sensory room, levelled books to replenish our Accelerated Reader library, and additional playground games. Thank you, as always, for your continued support.



Key Dates



Monday 9th February | SEND coffee morning with the Educational Psychologist - Focus SEMH

Wednesday 11th February | Year 3 Elm recorder concert for parents, 9.30am

Wednesday 11th & Thursday 12th February | Parents' Evening

Friday 13th February | Year 5 Sycamore cornet concert for parents, 9.30am

Monday 16th - Friday 20th February | Half term

Monday 23rd February | INSET Day

Tuesday 24th February | Children return to school

Reading Recommendation



Usually my reading recommendations link to topical events or our assembly focus, but this week I'm sharing a story chosen by one of our pupils - and read aloud to Pumfrey! As many of you know, Pumfrey visits school once a week, and during his time here I have a steady stream of children popping into my office to see him and to read to him.

This week, Matvei read Caspar and Daisy's Big Day at the Park by Ryan Dykta. It's a rhyming story about two adventurous dogs who spend an exciting day exploring the park, meeting new friends, and learning the importance of kindness and teamwork. It was a perfect choice for Pumfrey, who listened very attentively.



Attendance



Attendance w/b Monday 2nd February 2026:

Reception - 88.33%

Year 1 - 87.86%

Year 2 - 94.35%

Year 3 - 93.68%

Year 4 - 94.91%

Year 5 - 91.83%

Year 6 - 97.32%

Well done to Year 6 for meeting the school's target of **96%**.

Whole school attendance: **93.09%**