



Newsletter

*Welcome back! I hope everyone has had a lovely Easter break and we are all excited for the busy summer term ahead.
It has been lovely to see some sunshine over the past few weeks- hopefully it is a sign of a wonderfully warm and sunny summer ahead 😊*

A reminder that our school website is: -

<https://www.stgilbertspointon.co.uk>

ATTENDANCE

Please see the attached leaflet concerning the National Framework for Penalty Notices for school absences.

SEND

Statutory assessment- Reminder from previous newsletter

Year 6 SATs will be taking place week commencing **Monday 12th May 2025**. These are external statutory tests to assess pupil progress and attainment in English and Maths in readiness for transition to secondary education. The timetable for the week will be as follows:

Date	Tests
Monday 12 th May	English: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grammar and punctuation paper• Spelling paper
Tuesday 13 th May	English reading paper

Wednesday 14 th May	Maths: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arithmetic paper • Reasoning paper 1
Thursday 15 th May	Maths reasoning paper 2

Attendance and punctuality are extremely important- we want to be able to start the tests as soon as possible once the children arrive. **All children must attend each day.**

To support your child and ensure they have a good start to the day, we ask that all year 6 children arrive between 8:30 and 8:45 am.

Y1 Phonics Check

The phonics screening check will be administered during the week beginning the 9th June. Children will be reading 40 words. 20 real words and 20 'alien' words. To prepare for this, please read with your children as much as possible and encourage them to use their Read Write Inc techniques 'Special Friends, Fred Talk, Read the Word.' Class teachers will be able to tell you if there are any sounds your child needs support with.

MUCH ADO ABOUT DISCO



We certainly saw out the spring term with a bang with our amazing whole school production!!

The talent and commitment shown by our children was incredible and their performance truly outstanding!! The Act II team, led by Karl, were brilliant and

we are pleased to say we will be continuing to work with them during the year and have already agreed next year's production...

We truly raised the roof of our village hall and to see all of our families dancing and singing at the end showed the strength of our school community.

We truly were Dancing Queens!!



TRIM TRAIL INSTALLATION

Thanks to a successful funding bid from the Diocese, we have been able to install a trim trail in our forest area. Children have been waiting excitedly to see how the area would be developed and were delighted to see the newly installed equipment. The design has been carefully chosen to ensure it fits with the natural environment, promote different areas of physical development and is suitable for all ages.





VE DAY CELEBRATIONS - THURSDAY 8 MAY

We will be celebrating VE day on **Thursday 8 May**, joining our celebrations with the community, involving the Mission Church and the Parish Council.



They will be holding a cream tea from 11am-2.30pm in the Mission Church across the road from the school where some of the children's artwork commemorating VE day will be on display, all are welcome to attend.

We will also be holding our own activities within the morning for the children. At lunch we will be having a whole school picnic so all children will need a pack up, Willoughby Foods are doing a VE Day special for those that have school meals.

We are asking that the children dress in WW2 clothing or red/ white and blue clothes. More information regarding the plans for the day will be sent out when things have been finalised.

Key Dates



APRIL

23 April	Start of summer term
24 April	Swimming Lessons Start (Badgers)
28 April	Tri-Golf Development Day

MAY

5 May	Bank Holiday Monday
8 – 9 May	VE Celebrations- Details to be confirmed
12 – 15 May	Y6 SATs
23 May	End of Summer term 1

JUNE

2 June	Start of summer term 2
9 -13 June	Phonics Screening Check Y1/Multiplication Check Y4
11 June	Y6 Theatre Trip - The Lion King
19 June	Y6 Gala Dinner
20 June	Non-Uniform- bring a bottle for the summer fair
27 June	Summer Disco

JULY

4 July	Summer Fair
10 July	Sports Day
22 July	Y6 Leavers assembly and end of academic year

