

# The Gilberd School

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Dear Parent/carers

## Re: Year 9 Foodbank Fun Run event – Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2025

After the success of last year's event, I am delighted to confirm that Year 9 will once again be holding a Foodbank Run event, on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June.

The event is a short loop fun run, where students will donate items to Colchester foodbank during each lap of the course. The route begins on The Gilberd School field and follows the perimeter of The Gilberd site on its way to the drop off point by The Ark Church and Bluebell Surgery, before looping back to the start point.

Staff will support the event across the route, positioned at regular intervals and key safety points, to ensure the event runs smoothly and safely; prefects will provide additional support and encouragement. Some staff, myself included, will even be joining in and running alongside the students.

A phenomenal 112 students have already signed up to take part by running, jogging or walking the route and those who are not running, will be cheering them on from our own 'Event Village' where the rest of the year group and tutors will be gathered.

If you are happy for your child to take place, please complete the consent form by **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2025**, by clicking here: [Consent Form](#). Please provide them with an item for them to donate during their run. They will need to ensure that they have their PE kit with them on the day.

If your child is not taking part but you would still like to donate to the food bank, this would be very much appreciated. Items can be brought along on the day. They are currently most in need of the following:

**Small bags of sugar (urgent);** Coffee (instant); Washing up liquid; Nappies (size 5 and 6 are most popular); Tins of veg/fruit; Tinned meat; Ladies sanitary wear; Deodorant; Shower gel; Shampoo; Conditioner.

Thank you for your support. Wish us luck for some sunshine!

Yours faithfully

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