

Gorey Educate Together National School

Scoil Náisiúnta Foghlaim le Chéile, Guaire

Principal's Newsletter

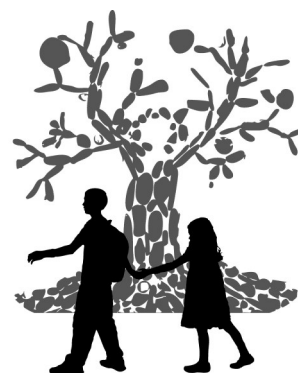
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Again this year, whenever possible, we will issue newsletters & general notes on **Tuesdays**. Please check the schoolbag! Newsletters are also uploaded to the school website. [All junior and senior infants receive newsletters. Thereafter, it's one newsletter per family — to the youngest pupil.]

Important: Return fully completed '**contact/medical forms**' tomorrow. These are the phone numbers that we use when a child is ill, etc. ('Text-a-parent' will be set up once all forms are in.) Forms returned in June/July/August 2014 for new Junior Infants and other new pupils do not need to be resubmitted, unless contact details have changed.

Please keep the new **School Guide for Parents & Guardians** (including School Calendar) in a safe place, for reference during the year. The Guide is also available on our website.

Return the optional **Pupil Personal Accident Insurance** form (overleaf,) along with payment, to the school by 26th September 2014. (We cannot process late applications.)

After-School Chess Club: First session of the new school year—date to be confirmed. Wanted: parent volunteers to help with supervision, (generally Tuesdays 2.30pm-3.30pm.) Please leave your name with the school office.

Music Committee: *The School Music Committee is meeting this Friday in the PTA Room at 1.30 pm. Anybody interested in being involved in music development within the school is welcome to come along.*

Thanks, Ros Leonard

Building News: Last week, the school received confirmation that the Department of Education will fund the building of one additional classroom, along with a small staffroom extension, at Gorey Educate Together! The new classroom will accommodate one of our special classes for children with autism, (currently located in a 'spare mainstream classroom.')

Gorey Educate Together N.S. will then reach full & final capacity next September: 16 mainstream classes, plus 2 special classes for children with autism, plus 1 pre-school special class for children with autism, (up from 15 + 2 + 1 at present.) The additional accommodation will be put in place before September 2015 - details to follow...

WELCOME

Welcome back everyone! And a very special welcome to all our new pupils, their families and to our new staff members. Wishing everyone a wonderful school year.

Raymond Swan, principal

Teachers and Special Needs Assistants, September 2014

Special class for children with autism: Jacinta Hayes, Pauline Carroll, Sadie Harpur

Special class for children with autism: Grace Sexton, Katryna Maciulskyte Kinsella, Jill Scragg, Niamh Murphy

Junior Infants: Deirdre Flynn, Lisa Kelly

Junior Infants: Louise Redmond, Annette O'Shea

Senior Infants: Mary Foley, Caitriona O'Neill

Senior Infants: Helen Flynn, Mary Kinsella

First Class: Lynn Reddy, Teresa Carey

First Class: Fergus Lacey

First Class: Orla Comerford

Second Class: Emma Walsh

Second Class: Daire Gohery, Sue Balfe

Third Class: David O'Shea

Third & Fourth Class: Brendan Breen

Fourth Class: Brónagh Crean, Edel Hogan

Fifth Class: Edel McDevitt

Fifth Class: Brian Quigley, Ken Blackmore

Sixth Class: Laura Dagger

Learning Support and Resource Teaching: Imelda Wright, Andrea Maher, Chloe Kenny, Mairéad Jordan, Patricia Sheil, Maeve Healy, Deirdre Hogan, Michelle Donaghy

Special Pre-School Class for Children with Autism: Patrick Cashman, Anna Caria, Ewa Minias



Junior Infants will have classes until 1.30pm each day beginning Thursday 11th September.