

Gorey Educate Together National School

Scoil Náisiúnta Foghlaim le Chéile, Guaire

Principal's Newsletter

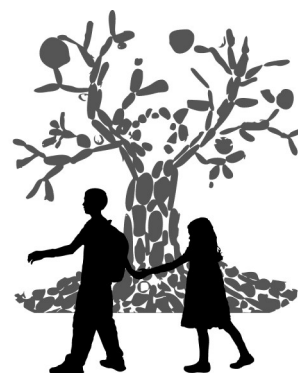
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Department of Education Primary Online Database ('POD'): Remaining census forms are being distributed to families today. Please fill in all blanks on your child's form and/or make any corrections, and return to the school.

Answering the questions regarding your child's ethnic or cultural background and his/her religion is optional. (Please tick 'No Consent' if you do not wish this information to be included in the database.)

Following feedback/complaints from families and schools, the Department of Education has agreed to list a full range of ethnic/cultural backgrounds on future census forms, beginning next year.)

As POD will replace the 'National School Annual Census' in the next couple of years, all pupils must be on POD in order to be counted for teacher allocation and school funding purposes.

February

Tuesday 17th February: Afterschool Kung Fu continues, organised by our Parent Teacher Association.

Thursday 19th and Friday 20th February: School closed. Midterm break. [Full calendar on school website.]

Monday 23rd February: Afterschool swimming begins. For 4 Mondays, (not Monday 16th March.) Last few places available. Book now!

Wednesday 25th February: Return cards and monies for PTA Monster Raffle. Additional card is printed overleaf — all support appreciated. Draw takes place on Thursday 26th February.

Thursday 26th February: 10th Anniversary Fun and Friendship Day, for current pupils and staff.

Tuesday 3rd & Wednesday 4th March: School Photographs. Details to follow next week.

Thursday 5th March: World Book Day. Details regarding school events are to follow, but will include the opportunity to dress up as your favourite book character!

Friday 6th March: Parent Coffee Morning. ('The first Friday of the month.')

Friday 6th March: School Disco. Details to follow.

Friday 13th, Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th March: School closed. (School holiday/St. Patrick's Day.) [Full calendar on school website.]

Wednesday 18th March: 6th class visit Clonskeagh Mosque and Dail Eireann.

Thursday 19th March: Heritage in Schools science workshops begin, (all classes.)

Wednesday 25th March: Football Association of Ireland 5-a-side event for schools.

Friday 27th March: End of Term. Classes finish at 12.15/12.30. School reopens Monday 13th April.

MARCH

First Day of School 2015: Tuesday 1st September.
(Full 2015-2016 school calendar to follow soon...)



New top-quality, wooden 'Jaggo Blocks' for all infant classrooms. These, along with new microphones/PA system for the school hall, were fully funded by the school's Parent Teacher Association. Thanks!