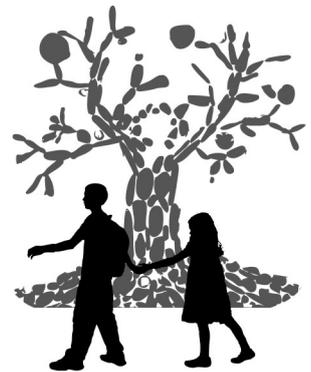


Gorey Educate Together National School

Scoil Náisiúnta Foghlaim le Chéile, Guaire



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Monday 19th September: Optional Homework Club continues. Open to 2nd to 6th classes. Further details are available from the school office.

Tuesday 20th & Thursday 22nd September: Walking Tours of Gorey with North Wexford Historical Society. (6th classes.)

Wednesday 21st September: Soccer coaching continues. 3rd classes. Running shoes must be worn.



Thursday 22nd: 'Let's Sing' with Joanne McCabe, six Thursdays in six classrooms. (We hope to extend this programme to further classrooms later this school year.)

Sunday 25th September: PTA Sponsored Treasure Hunt, 2pm, Gorey Town Park. Theme: Princesses and Pirates. (Fancy dress is optional.) See attached sponsorship card. Children remain under the care of their parents/guardians throughout this event.

Wednesday 28th September: Final day to return the optional **Pupil Personal Accident Insurance** form, along with payment, to the school.

Friday 30th September: 'Open Classroom' event. 1pm-1.30pm: Junior & Senior Infants and Patrick's, Jacinta's & Laura Connick's classes. 1.30pm - 2pm: 1st, 2nd & 3rd classes. 2pm-2.30pm: 4th, 5th & 6th classes. You are invited to spend some time with your child's class during our Open Classroom event. This is a short, informal event for available parents & guardians.

Tuesday 25th October: Chess Club resumes. Open to 3rd-6th classes.

First Class make good use of the apples from our school garden. More photos on the school website...



Head Lice and Threadworms are relatively common amongst young children. Parents are asked to help minimise the spread - please make regular checks and seek advice from your GP, chemist or other healthcare practitioner. Encourage hand washing.



Drivers:
please turn off your engine while waiting on the school grounds.





Chess Club Registration: Please return this form to the school office or to Daire Gohery (Teacher Volunteer.)

My child will attend Chess Club 2.30-3.30pm on Tuesdays, beginning Tuesday 25th October 2016.

Cost: €2 per session, payable to the teacher every Tuesday. (Funds are used to purchase equipment, to pay for buses to chess events and/or donated to particular charities.)

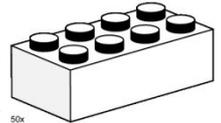
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Parent/Guardian signature: _____

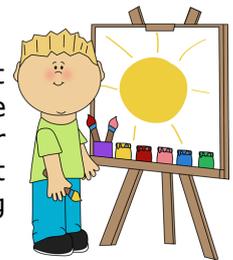
Chess Club is available to pupils in 3rd–6th classes only. Collect children from Daire's classroom at 3.30pm sharp. Thanks.

P.T.A. After-School Activities

"KIDS' BRICKS CLUB" Olive Doherty will facilitate a 6 week KIDS' BRICKS CLUB, starting on Monday 26th of September from **1.30pm – 2.30pm for Junior/Senior Infants and 2.30pm – 3.30pm for 1st to 6th class**. KIDS' BRICKS CLUB is a creative brick-building and social activity for girls and boys. In each class the children choose from a list of themes, challenges and games using Lego blocks. The aim of the activity is to develop the children's imagination, creativity and social skills, while working in teams. Sociability and self-esteem is improved. While the children are putting ideas into reality, problem solving, sharing and turn taking are all put into practice. KIDS' BRICKS CLUB allows children to learn through fun. **The cost for 6 Mondays is €30.** (€5 sibling discount is allowed.)



"GETNS ART CLUB" Louise Redmond and Niamh Murphy will run an Afterschool Art Club beginning Tuesday 27th September for **10 Tuesdays** from **2.30 – 3.30** in the school. If you're in **1st – 6th class only** and love fun filled art crafts come join our club. **€50 for 10 Tuesdays.** For more information contact louise@goreyeducatetogether.ie or niamh@goreyeducatetogether.ie (€5 sibling discount is allowed.)



"Mindfulness" with Imelda Wright. The 'Sanctuary Mindful Warrior Programme' is one that enables young people to travel a safe, mindful path on the journey from child to adult. The programme is built around an initiation framework linked to adolescent psychological development that includes: Ways to experience moments of reflective stillness; Traditional wisdom embodied in the 'gentle warrior' archetype; Mindfulness and movement practices; Use of creative imagination; Insights from psychology of adolescent development. Beginning Monday 26th September, **€50 for 10 Mondays**. Open to children in **6th class only**. (€5 sibling discount is allowed.)



To enrol in any of the above activities, please send an envelope with payment (Cash or Cheque payable to 'Gorey Educate Together PTA') to the school office. Include: parent/guardian's name and contact details, child's name and class. Also parents of junior/senior infants, please let us know if your child is to be collected by an adult or escorted to his or her **school bus**.

Places will be allocated on a first-come-first served basis, beginning tomorrow. (Minimum and maximum numbers apply.)

- from the PTA Committee.

Activities to follow later this school year: Bodhran playing. Baking. Other.

Parents/Guardians and Staff interested in running a future after-school activity can submit a proposal to the PTA Committee, (along with their details/experience/qualifications.) The PTA post box can be found inside the main school entrance.