



Gorey Educate Together National School

Scoil Náisiúnta Foghlaim le Chéile, Guaire

Principal's Newsletter

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*Educate Together -
Equality-Based Schools*

Wednesday 13th November: Soccer coaching with Mikael Allain continues. Current classes: 5th.

Thursday 14th November: Swimming at Courtown Pool continues. Special classes for children with autism.

Thursday 14th November: Science Week at Gorey Library. (Anna & Chloe's 3rd class. Fergus' 4th class.)

Thursday 14th November, 1pm: Information talk for parents of Junior and Senior Infants by Public Health Nurse. (Head lice, common childhood illnesses/staying home from school.)
Venue: school PE hall.

Monday 18th November: 'Food Dudes' healthy eating programme returns to our school, (in association with Bord Bia and the EU's School Fruit and Vegetables Scheme.)

Monday 25th—Friday 29th November: Parent Teacher Meetings. Appointment letters will issue next Tuesday.

Friday 29th November: Charity Bake Sale by 6th class and the children on our School Council.

Friday 6th December: Intel Mini-Scientists Regional Final, Technological University of Dublin, Blanchardstown. Good luck to our pupils!



'Thank You' to the school's Parent Teacher Association for the recent donation of €2,700 towards the school's coaching and music programmes! (Proceeds of PTA fundraisers.)

TekCentral after-school computer classes: Thursdays. Contact www.tekcentral.ie for next starting date.

Creative Keyboards after-school music classes: Fridays. Contact www.creativekeyboards.ie for next starting date.

Voluntary Contributions

It all adds up...

The Board of Management kindly asks each family to give between €15 and €21 per month during 2019-2020.

Such contributions during the 2017-2018 school year totalled €7,838.

Thank you!

Visual Arts, Drama & Music: Alongside the usual work of our teachers in these subject areas, the following programmes are currently running at the school:



Tune into Stage, (drama, with some singing.) Joanne McCabe of Colla Voce Performance School.

Thursdays September-October: 1st, 2nd and 3rd classes. Thursdays November-December: 4th, 5th and 6th classes.

Living Arts, with visual artist John Busher. 6th classes; 15 Mondays.



Music Generation, (singing.) Lorna Maher of Slaney School of Music. 2nd classes; Fridays, October-June.)

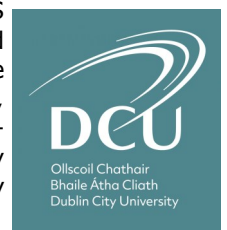


Sing out Loud, (singing.) Fergus and Laura's 4th classes will perform on the stage of Wexford Opera House on Wednesday 20th November!



Please note that the school newsletters of November 12th, 19th and 26th will only be available on the school website, on a trial basis.

In 2016, Gorey Educate Together NS was one of the schools that piloted DCU's *All Together Now* programme (anti-bullying of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Trans young people) - a programme that was subsequently successfully launched into primary schools across Ireland.



Now, our 5th & 6th class teachers are again working in partnership with DCU in piloting Gender Equality lessons for Irish primary schools. (Parents of our 5th and 6th classes have received more detailed information on the pilot programme.)

The researchers, Dr Seline Keating and Dr Bernie Collins, would like to meet with any GETNS parents with an interest in Gender Equality. Your input could help shape the new lessons! If you are available to meet the researchers please email info@goreyeducatetogether.ie (A day-time or evening-time meeting can be arranged.)