Board of Management of Gorey Educate Together NS, 23rd September 2020: report to families & staff

Attendees: Karen Loughran (Chairperson,) Colin Webb (Treasurer,) Raymond Swan (Secretary,) Olive Doherty, David O'Shea, David Bolger, Angie Dooley, Sarah Anderson

Apologies: -

This meeting was held in the school's PE Hall, with more than 2m physical distance between all Board members.

1. **Minutes from previous meeting adopted** (Olive Doherty, David Bolger)

Matters arising: -

Report to families and staff was agreed. Board Secretary to post on school website.

2. Treasurer's Report

3. Principal's Report

The school's Covid-19 response plan was shared with Board members during August, along with practical/logistical information regarding the reopening of the school.

The school's plans were well received by families and staff.

Current daily attendance: 88-92%.

4. Enrolments

Current Enrolment: 407

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Current class sizes: Junior & Senior Infants and First Class 20-24. Second-Sixth Classes: 25-

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Admissions Period/Admissions Notice: -

Pre-existing Special Class pre-enrolment lists: -

5. Staffing

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6. Child Protection

The Principal reported to the Board in accordance with sections 9.4 to 9.8 of the Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post Primary Schools 2017.

Child Protection Oversight Report (CPOR) relating to the period since the last Board meeting:

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7. Anti-Bullying

The Principal reported to the Board in accordance with Department of Education and Skills Anti-Bullying Procedures for Primary and Post Primary Schools, 2013.

8. Code of Behaviour

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9. Parent Teacher Association link

The main work and activities of the Committee are suspended until further notice, given the current Public Health situation.

An effort will be made to maintain contact lists, (and to include families new to our school in these lists.)

10. AOB:

The earliest that the school might begin to offer after-school activities again is April 2021. (Given the current circumstances, the Board of Management is prioritising the core work of the school and maintaining our safe Class Bubbles, etc.) Afterschool supervision for infants using the school buses will continue as normal.

Rental of school premises: No rentals until April. An exception will be made for Special Olympics Gorey. (Group to be asked to contribute towards cleaning/sanitisation costs. Group to be asked to conduct risk assessment, etc. regarding Covid-19.)

GAA coaching: school will agree to coaching, (football preferable to hurling, given current sanitising precautions, etc.)

ICT: -

Chairperson signed July Programme 2020 claim form.

Date of Next Board Meeting:

Wednesday 21st October 2020, 8pm at the school