

## Gorey Educate Together National School

Scoil Náisiúnta Foghlaim le Chéile, Guaire

Principal's Newsletter
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Educate Together -Equality-Based Schools

**Monday 5th December:** 'Music Generation' classes with Diarmuid Comerford continue on Mondays (4th, 5th and 6th classes.)

**Wednesday 7th December:** Soccer coaching with Mikael Allain. (5th classes.)

**Wednesday 7th December:** GAA coaching with Seamus Byrne from Tara Rocks GAA club. (5th and 6th classes.)

**Friday 9th December:** 'Music Generation' classes with Diarmuid Comerford continue on Fridays (2nd classes.)

**Monday 12th December:** School Disco. See below.

**Tuesday 13th December:** Intel Mini Scientists Regional Final, Blanchardstown. Good luck to our pupils Lorene and Adam!

**Wednesday 14th December:** Festive trip for our Special Needs Assistants and their pupils to Kia Ora Farm.

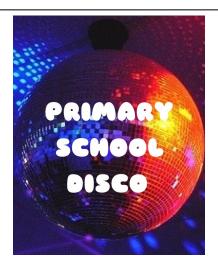
**Thursday 15th December:** Festive trip for our special classes for children with autism to Wheelock's Farm.

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December: End of year songs, poems, etc. by Infants [11.30am], 1st and 2nd classes [1.00pm.] Venue: School PE Hall. All parents & guardians are invited to attend.

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December:** End of year songs, poems, etc. by 3rd and 4th classes [**11.30am**], 5th and 6th classes [**1.00pm**.] Venue: School PE Hall. All parents & guardians are invited to attend.

Wednesday 21st December: End of Term. Classes finish at 12noon (infants) and 12.30 (1st-6th classes.) School buses depart at 12.25. Infants who use the school buses or with older siblings in the school will be supervised by our teachers until 12.25 / 12.30.

School reopens Thursday 5th January.



Monday 12th December

"Christmas Disco" for pupils and staff Organised by the children on our School Council

12noon-12.30: Sensory-Friendly Disco for some of our pupils (music at a low volume, etc.)

12.30-1.15pm: Disco for Junior Infants—2nd class.

1.15pm-2.15pm: Disco for 3rd-6th classes.

Normal school times on the day.

DJ Gordon returns to us.

All children have the option to dress up in Christmas outfits or any other dressing up clothes.

Entry is free.

Charity Food Collection (organised by the children on our school council.) A collection box will be in place at the school all next week. Any donated food items (tins, cans, jars) will be passed to the local Meals



**on Wheels** group for their holiday hampers. All shop-bought non-perishable food is welcome (tinned food, sweets, biscuits, etc.) Thank you.

## Some festivals and events at this time of year: Can you match the event with one of the images below?

Advent Christmas Hanukkah Hogmanay

New Year's Day Guru Singh's Birthday Ganjitsu (Japanese New Year)

Birthday Winter Solstice

Diwali



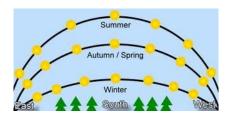
















## Parent Teacher Association

Many thanks to our PTA Committee for funding the following for the children over the past year:

School Greenhouse

**Sports Day Medals** 

Souvenir Autograph Books for 6th class

Farewell evening event for 6<sup>th</sup> class

Bus to Wexford Opera House / 'Sing Out Loud'

<u>Coming very soon:</u> PTA Winter Raffle. All support much appreciated. (See Class Dojo for more details.)



Supporting Children and Young People with Bereavement and Parental Separation

**Rainbows**: Final session is today, Tuesday 6th December.

Very well done to the pupils involved.

Many thanks to our Special Needs Assistant and teacher volunteers

**Winter Weather**: Take great care at the school in frosty weather. All paths and surfaces may be slippery.



We are undertaking active breaks at the moment, as part of the Active Schools initiative.

