

Board of Management of Gorey Educate Together NS, 19th March 2024: report to families and staff

Attendees: Angie Dooley (Chairperson,) Raymond Swan (Secretary,) Tony Ahern (Treasurer,) Carol Scott, David Bolger, David O'Shea, Olive Doherty

Apologies:

1. **Minutes from previous meeting adopted:** Olive Doherty. David O'Shea.
Matters arising: -

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

2. **Treasurer's Report**

Current account:	€
School books account:	€
Savings account:	€
Credit Card:	(€)
PayPal A/C	-

School accounts 2022-2023 were filed with the FSSU in advance of the February 28th closing date.

3. **Staffing – SNA Career Break/Job Sharing Applications**

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4. **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.

5. **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.

6. **Code of Behaviour**

7. **Letter from parent: Relationships/Sexuality Education**

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8. **Wellbeing Questionnaire Actions**

The Board agreed a draft of the follow-up action plan:

Maintain/build on positive feedback:

Welcoming, inclusive, well-maintained school...

School charter serving us well: safe, happy, respect, teaching & learning, bully free...

School already gives importance to wellbeing...

Strong communication channels...

Opportunities for parental involvement...

Policies that are fair to pupils, parents and staff...

Additionally

That every pupil will know what to do when a bullying situation arises.

That every pupil will have access to an age-appropriate conflict resolution programme.

That every pupil will have access to fun and engaging playground breaks. (To include rota and equipment changes on an ongoing basis.)

Healthy Eating: That every pupil will have access to a hot school lunch each day. (I.e. partaking in the Government's hot school lunches programme from April 2024.)

That the children will be listened to on an ongoing basis. (Including surveying the pupils again on an annual basis, and identifying any trends that may emerge.)

The above action plan is to be finalised in advance of the new school year, for implementation as part of the school's Self Evaluation/School Improvement work.

9. PTA Link

The recent school disco was highly successful.

Edible School (Gardening Programme) – the shortage of volunteers seems to have been resolved.

Creagh Lane: some anti-social behaviour on the part of Creagh College students was reported. Principal to consult with Creagh College with a view to improving the situation.

10. AOB

**Date of Next Board Meeting:
Tuesday, 30th April 2024 at 7.30pm**