



Gorey Educate Together
National School

Scoil Náisiúnta Foghlaim le Chéile, Guaire



PUNCTUALITY

Everyone is reminded to be punctual. Lateness (after 8.50am) significantly disrupts the classes (including our autism classes) and late collection (after 1.30pm and 2.30pm) can upset the child and interrupt the work of the staff.

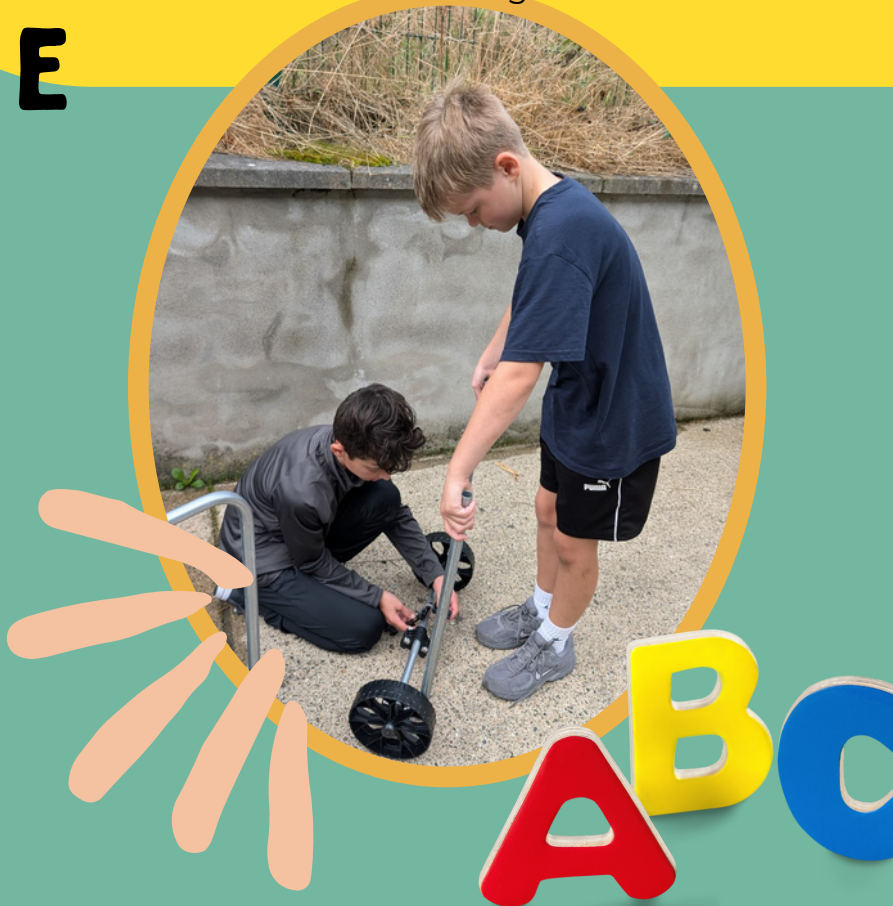
Now that the settling-in period is coming to an end, the lateness signing-in book will be reintroduced in the mornings.

ATTENDANCE

Make education important in your home! It is not OK to miss school. Be proud of a good attendance record.

Parents should explain the reasons for all school absences using the Aladdin Connect App.

High levels of non-attendance are reported automatically to TUSLA / the National Educational Welfare Board.



MEDICINES

If your child needs essential medication in school **e.g. an inhaler or an EpiPen**, could you please ensure that the medication is provided to us and that a current **indemnity/instructions form** is completed and signed. (Indemnity/instructions forms are available from the school office.) For queries on this subject, please contact lynn@goreyeducatogether.ie

- Lynn Reddy, Assistant Principal

Photos: Rás na mBan event at Gorey Town Park. Assembling our new composters. Friday assembly.



Opt-out of Support Teaching

Every pupil has a Class Teacher. Every class also has one or more Support Teachers, (also known as Special Education Teachers.)

Class Teachers and Support Teachers take a **team approach** to working with the children, so that every child gets more attention. Hence, at times, a Support Teacher might take any group of pupils to a support room for reading work, maths work, social skills work, project work, etc.

You can opt out of this approach. If you do not want a Support Teacher to sometimes work with your child in a support room, simply email the Principal: info@goreyeducatogether.ie

As well as the above general work, the Support Teachers more often work with children who have additional needs or who are struggling with reading/maths, etc. or who are exceptionally able. **In all of these cases the Support Teacher will be in touch with you, the parent, regarding your child's Support Plan/IEP.**

Dates for the diary.

Sunday 20th September: PTA Scavenger Hunt at the school, for junior and senior infants. Details to follow.

Monday 21st September: Department of Education mandated Child Protection Training for our Teachers, SNAs, office staff, cleaners and bus escorts. School closed.

Friday 25th September: 'Active School Flag' & 'Green Flag' celebration. Details to follow.

Thursday 1st October, 1.00pm-1.30pm: 'Open Classroom' event for parents of the Junior Infants.

Friday 2nd October: 'Open Classroom' event for parents of Senior Infants to 6th class and our autism classes. Times to follow.

Sunday 11th October: PTA Halloween Costumes Swap Event, (sustainable fashion.) Details to follow.

Friday 16th October: PTA School disco. Details to follow.

PTA 'get to know each other' Coffee Mornings, 8.50am in the school library. Thursdays 10th, 17th and 24th September and 1st October.



"Thanks to the enthusiastic participation at last year's plant sale, The Edible Garden Club was able to purchase two new composters! On Friday, 6th class volunteers helped to assemble the systems that will be up and running this week. A tumbler composter will take food/ garden scraps to make new compost while a wormery will use gardening scraps/ shredded paper to make worm tea to improve soil health. Both will strengthen the garden while also helping GETNS reach its sustainability goals."



- Sarah, Edible Garden Club.