

Dear Parents/Guardians, The following information is for your attention:

**1. Christmas Carol Service:**

Our Carol Service will take place on **Thursday December 21<sup>st</sup> @ 7pm** in Christ Church, Gorey. All children are asked to be in the Church by 6.50pm and full uniform must be worn. Parents, grandparents, family members and friends are all very welcome to attend.

**2. Christmas Disco:**

This year's Christmas Disco will take place directly after the Carol Service on **Thursday December 21<sup>st</sup>** in the Old School. The disco will run from **7.45 to 9.00pm sharp**. Please collect your child on time. Admission is **€3** per child (please have exact money) and this includes a drink and crisps. All children of Gorey Central School up to and including 6<sup>th</sup> class may attend but Junior and Senior Infants must be accompanied by an adult (not older sibling).

**3. Christmas Holidays:**

School **closes** for the Christmas Holidays on **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December @ 12.30pm SHARP**. Please allow extra time to get here as the town will be very busy and parking will be difficult. School **re-opens** on **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018 @ 8.40am**.

**4. No Uniform Day:**

We will have a No Uniform Day on the last day of term. We ask all pupils to bring in €2 on this day to help towards PTA fundraising. Thank you.

**5. Enrolments for September 2018:**

This process will begin in January 2018. If you are interested in sending your child to Gorey Central School in September 2018 please contact the Secretary and fill out a 'Notification of Intention to Apply' form.

**6. Winners:**

The Green School Flag committee would like to thank all children for their fantastic effort in the recent Green School Flag Water slogan competition. The standard was exceptionally high and the committee had a very difficult time picking a winner. The committee found two slogans they felt represented the school best so decided to combine the two, creating our new Active Flag slogan:

'Drip drop zap, turn off that tap! Do the world a favour, be a water saver!

Congratulation to Glen Stephens in 3<sup>rd</sup> Class and Eli Page in 4<sup>th</sup> Class who both used the slogan 'Do the world a favour, be a water saver!' and Kaitlyn Kenny in 2<sup>nd</sup> Class who entered the slogan 'Drip drop zap, turn off that tap'. Keep an eye out for the new slogan which will be displayed around the school shortly.

We also recently held an Art competition as part of our Green School Initiative. The theme was "Create a Christmas decoration made out of recycled material". Congratulations to Holly Spencer who won overall 2<sup>nd</sup> prize in the County.

**7. Headlice:**

We have been advised of several cases of headlice in school. Please check your child's hair on a regular basis and treat if necessary. Pupils with medium to long hair must wear their hair tied up at all times while in school.

**8. Finally:**

The Staff and Board of Management of Gorey Central School would like to wish you all a safe, happy and enjoyable Christmas.

Thank you,  
Mr. Bater