

Newsletter No. 7 – April 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians, the following points are for your attention:

1. School Closure Dates for your Diary:

- Monday May 7th – Bank Holiday
- Friday May 25th – Polling Day
- Monday 4th June – Bank Holiday
- Friday 29th June **@ 12. Midday** – Closing for Summer Holidays

2. School Activity Dates for Diary:

- a) Family Fun Run/Day: – School Fundraiser – Saturday 26th May -4.30pm start. Information letter will issue this week.
- b) Soccer Blitz: Friday 1st June in St. Iberius, Wexford. See below for further information.
- c) Choral Festival: – Friday 8th June – Bunclody @ 11am. Further information will issue shortly.
- d) Active Games Day: Wednesday 20th June. Further information will issue shortly.

3. The Junior Entrepreneur Showcase Day:

5th and 6th class in Gorey Central School held their Junior Entrepreneur Showcase Day on Friday 13th April. It was a wonderful success and we all had a fantastic day!! We would like to thank the entire school community for their tremendous support. Well done to the pupils for completing this programme and for putting their heart and soul into it. There was a wonderful sense of school spirit and your children are a credit to you all. Each child who participated in the programme received a percentage of the profits to spend on themselves and the remainder of the money will be used towards purchasing items for the school and for events in 5th and 6th class.

Kind regards, Ms. McDermott and Ms. Furney.

4. Soccer Blitz:

The annual inter-school soccer blitz is being hosted by St. Iberius N.S., Wexford this year.

The date for the soccer blitz is Friday 1st June. **Venue and times to be confirmed.**

Gorey Central School will remain open on this day for pupils who are unable to attend the Soccer Blitz. As it is a school event, pupils who attend the blitz (to play or support) will be marked present on the school roll.

NB: Children have to attend training to be eligible for selection.

Important:

Pupils (playing/supporting) the Blitz or attending Thursday night training sessions **cannot** attend unless they are in the care of a parent or adult who is responsible for their supervision and behaviour. This is not the responsibility of the Team Managers, Teachers or PTA.

5. Swimming:

Swimming this year will be in Forest Park Leisure Centre, Courtown and will take place in the summer term beginning on 8th May for 2nd to 6th classes.

This year lessons will be spread over three days each week for a total of six weeks. Classes will be held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays from **9am** each day.

5th Class (Ms. McDermott's Class and Ms Furney's 5th class children) will attend on Tuesdays.

2nd class & 6th (Ms. Hempenstall and Ms Furney's classes) will attend on Wednesdays.

3rd and 4th Class (Ms Carr/Copeland's and Ms Jordan's class) will attend on Thursdays.

Parents need to bring their child/children to the pool for this session. Bus transport will return the children to school at 10am. In the past many parents have carpooled when attending swimming lessons and this has proven very successful. However please note that it is the **PARENT'S** responsibility to organize this.

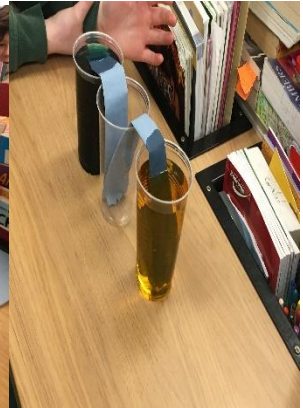
6. Spelling Bee:



Gorey Central School recently participated in the Eason's Spelling Bee. After our in-school heat, Ruby Grouse was our winner who then went forward to the Regional Final. She represented the school extremely well on the day and we are very proud of her. Well done Ruby!

7. World Water Action Day:

On Thursday 22nd March all classes undertook a range of activities to support our Water Action Day. The school raised €229.80 from donations given by children for wearing blue instead of their school uniforms for the day. This money has been donated to WaterAid and will be put to very good use in many ways, some of which include providing clean water, decent toilets and good hygiene in countries less fortunate than our own. Please see below a few of the photos that were taken during the day. Great fun was had by all!



A reminder that our Green Schools Water Slogans are ...
“Do the World a Favour and be a Water Saver” and
“Drip, Drop, Zap, Turn off the tap” **World Water Action Day**

Mrs. Poole and Mrs. Leech, Green Schools Co-ordinators

All at Gorey Central School would like to thank Mrs. Poole and Mrs. Leech for their hard work and efforts on World Water Action Day, it was very informative and interesting.

Thank you.

Mr. Bater.