



# Gorran News

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Dinner - Week 1

## School start and finishing times

School will continue to finish from 1:45pm to 2:15pm up until half term. To help, in the mornings, school gates will now open at 8:40am. If we aim to have all children in to school a little earlier by 9:05am, that will allow classes to get lessons started. Thank you again for your co-operation!

## Breakfast Club

Unfortunately, there will be no breakfast club in school for the foreseeable future. School has significant measures in place to ensure that 'bubbles', including staff, are kept separate. This is so that, in almost all circumstances, we should be able to avoid another full closure of the school. We understand that breakfast club is very useful for parents and will keep this under review and reintroduce it when circumstances change.

## The End of Week 5!!

It is hard to believe that we have been back at school for five weeks. If we were honest our goal for the month of September was to get all children back and used to the routines in school, learning would be a bonus. However, all staff have been pleasantly surprised by just how much learning and progress has taken place already. Having a 'simpler school day' with maybe less distractions has created a super learning environment. Pupils simply - learn and play, learn and play and learn and they all seem very happy!



## Toys in School

Mr Cleland is not a fan of being the spoil sport, however, it is important to remind you that pupils should not be bringing toys in to school. This is due to the added risk of transmission. We understand that there may be some exceptional circumstances and we are happy to work with parents and pupils on this.

## Restart Survey

Thank you for all the feedback. It is great to hear the positive feedback particularly on how happy pupils are in school. Some points we have picked up on and will look to address include;

- We will take some time to teach new pupils and remind the everyone else how to use the Seesaw app for homework or home learning.
- We will work with the developers of the app to add a few small tweaks to form filling and payments.
- Continue to explore possible ways to extend the school day under current restrictions.

## Stars of the Week

All our pupils are superstars. This week our awards go to .....

Primary 1 and 2 – **James W** for excellent cutting and sticking work.

**BELLA** for sharing and being a good friend.

Primary 3 and 4 – **ANNA-MAE** for being a great friend. **DANIEL** for brilliant sentence writing.

Primary 5 and 6 – **Nicole, Alice, Rachel** and **Amira** for excellent report writing.

Primary 7 – **ZAK** for being so kind to everyone in school and for amazing goalkeeping skills. **MOLLIE** for super creative writing.



## School Closure

Reminder that school is closed on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October for a staff training day.