



# St. Thomas' S.N.S. Newsletter



3rd April, 2017

## School Rule

I behave in a proper manner  
around the school

## STAR Tournament

13 footballers are delighted to be taking part in the STAR inter schools football tournament in Trinity College today as part of the Trinity Access Programme. Transport and lunch is being provided by the College. The footballers will also get a tour of Trinity College. Staff from Shamrock Rovers are also involved. Mr Brennan will accompany our pupils.

## Wellbeing Week

We are all really looking forward to having our second ever Wellbeing Week this week. All pupils and staff will be focusing on our wellbeing during the week and there are a range of activities planned. We hope to see Random Acts of Kindness every day ... As well as that there will be daily meditation and:

**Monday:** 3rd/4th have Zumba Class; 5th/6th have Wellbeing Activities

**Tuesday:** 5th/6th have Mac Fitness; 3rd/4th have Wellbeing Activities

**Wednesday:** Main focus on Nutrition

**Thursday:** Main focus on Nurturing Friendships

**Friday:** Main focus on Anti Bullying

## Mental Health in Young People

Ms Flynn will give a talk in the Parents' Room on Friday at 9.30 am. This talk will be very practical and is a hugely important topic.

## Transfer Programme

This week's classes in Mount Seskin Community College:

- A. 15 pupils from Ms Farrell's class go today for a Coding Class
- B. Ms Surlis' class go tomorrow (Tuesday) for German class
- C. On Friday Mr Watsons' class go for History and 15 from Ms Murphys go for Basketball

## Hip Hop

There will be no Hip Hop club this week. We wish Ms Daly all the best for her Wedding Day during the Easter Holidays.

## School News

- A. **Mass:** Ms Farrell's class will attend Mass on Thursday as part of their preparation for Confirmation.
- B. **Heritage in Schools:** The work in the garden continues, 5th classes will be planting in the garden on Tuesday with Geraldine while 6th will be planting on Thursday with Lucy Bell.
- C. **Bingo** Thank you to the wonderful group of parents who have organised BINGO for Thursday. This is a reward for pupils with Excellent Attendance this term (Jan-March)
- D. **Drumcondra Testing:** Our school was selected to be part of a Pilot Scheme to update the Drumcondra Reading and Maths tests. Mr Brennan and Ms Kelly did their tests already and this week Mr Murphy and Mr Campbell will do the tests online on Wednesday and Thursday
- E. **Student Council:** The council will transmit their Radio Show on Friday at 10.30 am

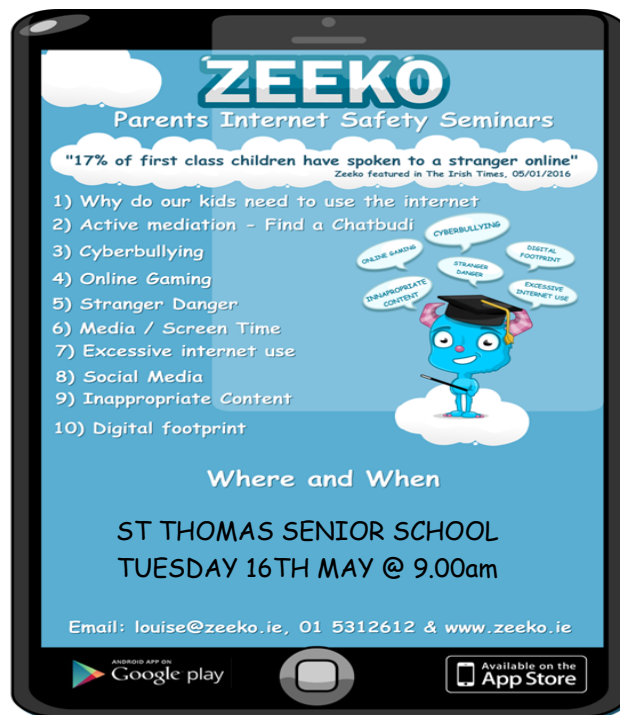
## Sporting News

- A. **Swimming:** last session for 3rd class pupils tomorrow.
- B. **Chess:** good luck to the team who have an away match on Wednesday against Scoil Treasa
- C. **Football:** see above re: Star Tournament
- D. Well done to Karen Sweeney (Room 15) who won gold in Patterns and silver in Sparring at the All Ireland Tae Kwon Do Championships in Galway at the weekend.

## Easter Holidays

We wish everyone a very safe and happy Easter. As ever thank you all so much for your co-operation during the term, which was a very busy one. We are all working together for the good of the children. Due to the half day on Friday-the regular lunch has been cancelled. Pupils may bring in their own snack on Friday only.

**SCHOOL WILL CLOSE THIS  
FRIDAY (7th APRIL) AT 12.00pm  
AND WILL REOPEN ON MONDAY  
24th APRIL AT 9.00am.**



## ATTENTION : PARENTS

- A. Adult Art Classes continue on Tuesdays 9.30am to 11.00 in the Parents Room. All are welcome and no experience is needed.
- B. There will be a Wellbeing Talk this Friday (7th March) in the Parents Room from 9.00 to 10.00. We promise a cup of tea afterwards.
- C. Knitting continues each Friday from 11.00–12.00. This is a great little class with no experience required. All are welcome.

## GARDEN

Our garden is taking shape and looking wonderful. If anybody has an old wheelbarrow that we could paint and display that would be great. We are also after any old pallets that you may have and green hose piping. Please contact the office on 01 4526555

### Holy Week for St Thomas the Apostle Church

<u>Palm Sunday 9th April</u>	Blessing of the Palm 11.30am
<u>Holy Thursday 13th April</u>	Morning Prayer at 10.00am
	Mass of the Lords Supper at 7.30pm
	"Watch and Pray" Vigil from 8.15pm to 9.00pm
<u>Good Friday 14th April</u>	Way of the Cross at 12.00pm
	Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord at 3.00pm
<u>Holy Saturday 15th April</u>	Confessions from 7.15pm to 7.45pm
	Easter Vigil Mass at 8.00pm
<u>Easter Sunday 16th April</u>	Mass of the Lords Resurrection 11.30am