



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



13th January 2020

## Rule of the Week

I have respect for people and for property

## Board of Management

The new Board of Management held its first meeting last week. The Board will be in office until 30th November 2023. The eight members of the Board of Management are:

Mary Dalton and Deacon Derek Leonard (Patron Nominees)

Colm Quinn and Danielle Burns (Parent Nominees)

Eithne O'Shea, Simon Brennan (Teacher Nominees)

Tracey Kavanagh Singleton and Michael Murphy (Community Nominees)

## Students of the Month

The trip for our wonderful Students of the Month (listed overleaf) will take place tomorrow to the National Print Museum. They will take part in a tour of the printing machines and make their own posters. Thanks to Joanne from Dublin Bus for the transport.

## Swimming

3rd class pupils start their swimming sessions next week. There will be 8 sessions in total at a cost of €5 per session. This covers the cost of the bus, pool hire and swimming tuition. This is exceptional value and is based on all 3rd class pupils being involved in the swimming programme. As aquatics is part of the PE curriculum, swimming fulfils the PE requirement for the 8 weeks. Swimming takes place during school time and is organised by Ms O'Leary. Pupils will need to have a towel, swimwear and a swim hat. Sprays of any kind are not permitted in the changing rooms.

## Phones

Many pupils have new phones. While in general children **should not** bring mobile phones to school, in the event that they will absolutely need them after school, phones must be handed up at 9.00 and collected at 2.40pm. Pupils are advised to put a sticker on their phone to help identify it. Pupils do not have permission to have their phone with them during the day. The school is **not** responsible for phones lost or damaged.

## One Good Idea

We are all very excited that our **Plastic Packaging Pirates** have gotten through to the regional finals of the **One Good Idea** initiative. We are 1 of only 33 primary schools in the country and of only 4 primary schools in Dublin to get through to this stage of the competition which is organised by the Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland. Our Plastic Packaging Pirates are working hard to reduce the use of single use plastic in our school. All the pupils were involved in making a film on Friday. The 1 minute film and 3 minute Powerpoint presentation must be presented to the online awards platform by Jan 31st. The film will be shown in the Omniplex Cinema in Rathmines on 27th February 2020. The Plastic Packaging Pirates will be working with Ms Kiernan and Ms Rohan on developing their Powerpoint presentation. They must also develop a promotional campaign to spread their message in as many ways, to as many people and on as many platforms as possible. If you can assist with the promotional campaign in any way please get in touch with Ms Kiernan or Ms Rohan who are the driving force behind this amazing initiative. Exciting times ahead.

## Concerns

If you have any concerns/worries about your child in school please let us know.

## School/Sports News

1. Confirmation: As part of preparation for Confirmation, Ms Griffin's class will attend Mass on Thursday at 10.00. There was no Mass last Thursday.

## Parents

1. Our Savings Scheme for 3rd class pupils will resume this Friday.
2. **Get Jobstown Walking** starts this Friday (see overleaf)
3. Help reduce and reuse by sending in your clean 2litre plastic bottles and empty plastic cereal packets to the school.

## SCHOOL CLOSURE

Due to staff training on the new Primary Language Curriculum, there will be **NO** school for pupils this Wednesday—15th January

## Students of the Month

Congratulations to the following pupils who were nominated by their teachers as Students of the Month. It is always a very difficult decision to make and we are proud of all the children.

3 <sup>rd</sup> Class	4 <sup>th</sup> Class	5 <sup>th</sup> Class	6 <sup>th</sup> Class
Kerthyna Diba	Jessica Fitzpatrick	Nia Usher	Amani Soltani
Lee Byrne	Emma Kate Sharpe	Rhys Slattery OKeefe	Sarah Elliott
Adam Cepaitis	Lee Mullen Murphy	Daniel Ayondokun	Yasmin Malone
Shreya Kumar	Katie Nguyen	Aoibhe Holmes	Corey Malcolmson
Alex Kelly OConnor	Holly Donovan	Livia Manole	Megan Whelan
			Rebecca Cirpaci

## Sportstar of the Month

3 <sup>rd</sup> Class	4 <sup>th</sup> Class	5 <sup>th</sup> Class	6 <sup>th</sup> Class
Messi Gheorghe	Clodagh Dunne	Brooke Leonord	Emmanuel Nkula
Andrew Bardon	Molly McCarthy	Jayden Griffin	Ethan Walsh
Ross McCabe	Margaret Mary McCarthy	Sophie Clarke	Jimmy Wall
Jack Preston	Wilfred Aguneny	Ellen Lynch	Jamie Leigh Lawlor
	Leon Molloy	Chloe Malcolmson	Grace Egan
	Troy Fegan		

## Gaeilgeoir ni Miosa

3 <sup>rd</sup> Class	4 <sup>th</sup> Class	5 <sup>th</sup> Class	6 <sup>th</sup> Class
Abraham Bello	Chloe Spencer	Divine Idugboe	Hannah Sweeney
Caoimhe Murphy	Evan Groome	Luke Kelly	Callum Kelly OConnor
Rebecca Morrison	Ola Habeeb	Casey Seery Gillespie	Keegan Byrne
Libby Martin	Jaylyn Smith	Martha Bakari	Dolapo Habeeb
	Sophia Fitzgerald	Alana Cunningham	

**Let's get Jobstown walking!**

**Meet at Parents' Room every Friday  
9am (starting Friday 17th Jan)**



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