

St. Thomas' S.N.S. Newsletter



10th February 2020

Rule of the Week

I have respect for people and property

Parent/Teacher Meetings

P/T meeetings will be held this week. If you cannot make the meeting for any reason please let the school know as soon as possible. As there is only 10 minutes allotted to each meeting it is important that you are on time.

Meetings are as follows:

- A. Wednesday 12th February from 2.40—5.10pm. Pupils will go home at 2.10pm
- B. Thursday 13th February from 2.45-3.45pm. Pupils will go home at normal time of 2.40pm on Thursday.

After School Clubs

Due to the Parent/Teacher meetings there will be NO after school clubs on Wednesday or Thursday of this week apart from Emma's SCP Groups.

Recycling

Soft plastics such as plastic bags or the plastic on fruit or vegetables <u>CANNOT</u> be recycled and should be put in the Grey/Black bin. The following rigid or hard plastics <u>CAN</u> be recycled and can go in the Recycling bin:

Mineral Bottles, Water Bottles, Mouth Wash Bottles, Salad Dressing Bottles, Cosmetic/Soap Bottles, Shampoo/Conditioner/Shower Gel Bottles, Household Cleaning Bottles, Laundry Detergent Bottles, Rigid Plastic Trays (any colour), Yoghurt Containers, Margarine/Butter/Ice Cream Tubs, Plastic Salad Tubs.

Grandparents Day

What a wonderful day we had last Monday with the hall packed to capacity again this year. We were delighted to welcome so many grandparents to the school. There was a great buzz about the school as the children proudly invited their grandparents to their class. There was a little trip down memory lane for some as they looked at artefacts from the past. A huge THANK YOU to our wonderful group of parents who helped with the catering.

Safer Internet Day

Tomorrow, Tuesday is Safer Internet Day. An excellent website is www.webwise.ie which offers free expert advice and free internet safety guide for parents. It also explains and keeps up to date with the various apps that your children are using..... It is very important that you are aware of your child's engagement with social media. Unfortunately we are dealing with more and more issues in school arising from online interactions among pupils outside of school.

School News

- A. CPR and Training in the use of AED's will take place this week for pupils in 5th class.
- B. Swimming for 3rd class pupils on Tuesday (Week 4 of 8)
- C. Stay Safe Programme: This is Week 6 of the 13 week programme.
- D. **Music Generation:** Colleen will work with 4th classes on Wednesday
- E. Athletics: Good luck to our athletes who will be taking part in SDCC athletics in Butler Magee Park on Wednesday
 - F. Mass: Ms Griffin's class will attend Mass on Thursday as part of preparation for Confirmation.
 - G. Soccer coaching for Ms Cooney's and Ms Gill's classes continues on Thursday.
- H. Operation Transformation: We are participating in the 10@10 challenge every day as part of Operation Transformation.

THERE WILL BE NO SCHOOL NEXT WEEK AS IT IS MID-TERM BREAK.

SCHOOL WILL CLOSE THIS FRIDAY 14TH FEB @ 2.40pm AND REOPEN ON MONDAY 24th FEB @ 9.00am.