



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



24th April, 2017

## Welcome Back

Welcome back to all our pupils after what was we hope a very enjoyable Easter break for you all.

## School Rules

We have only four School Rules in our school. They are very simple but hugely important to all of us. They are as follows:

- A. I come to school every day on time and prepared
  - B. I have respect for people and for property
  - C. I do my best in class and allow others to do the same
  - D. I behave in a proper manner around the school
- Pupils are familiar with the rules and the consequences for breaking the rules and the rewards for keeping the rules which are outlined in the school's Code of Behaviour. Keeping the rules ensures we have a safe and happy school.

## Trocaire Boxes

Please return any Trocaire Boxes to the school this week. They should be handed into the school secretary, Mairead.

## After School Clubs

There will be no Basketball club this week and no Hip Hop this week or next week..

## Attendance

It is very important that children are in school every day. Please send in a note explaining the reasons for any absences.

## Punctuality

School starts at 9.00am and pupils should be on time for school. When pupils arrive late it disrupts the learning that is taking place.

## Concerns/Suggestions

If you have any concerns regarding your child in school please speak with your child's teacher. Please make an appointment to meet with the teacher.

## Transfer Programme

This week's classes in Mount Seskin Community College:

- A. Today Ms Murphys class go for Meditation Workshop
- B. On Tuesday Ms McKenna will bring pupils for cookery
- C. On Friday Ms Surlis' class go for a poetry workshop, Mr Watsons' class for a maths lesson and Ms Farrells class go for a PE lesson.

## School News

- A. **Lego:** 3rd class pupils will take part in Lego Workshops today which will teach the principles of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM).
- B. **Mass:** Ms Murphy's class will attend Mass on Thursday as part of their preparation for confirmation.
- C. **OWLS:** 5th class continue their work with Turtle regarding Biodiversity this Wednesday and Thursday.
- D. **Heritage in Schools Scheme:** The work in the garden continues—5th classes will be planting in the garden on Tuesday with Garaldine while 6th will be planting with Lucy Bell.
- E. **Website:** Log onto the school website [www.stthomas.ie](http://www.stthomas.ie) for all the school news.

## Sporting News

- A. **Swimming:** The school swimming programme is finished for this year. Thanks to Ms O'Leary who organises the swim programme every year.
- B. **Football:** Well done to the 6th class footballers who are the Tallaght Champions having won the STAR competition which was run by Trinity College as part of the Trinity Access Programme. Well done to them and their teachers Mr Brennan and Mr Daly.
- C. **Athletics:** Good luck to the athletes who compete on Wednesday in Butler Magee Park.

**THERE WILL BE NO SCHOOL  
NEXT MONDAY 1st MAY DUE  
TO THE MAY BANK HOLIDAY**

## **Congratulations to all of our Term 2 Spelling Bee Winners**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Class**- Ava Banks Rm.4, Kaylee Farrelly Rm.5, Lovleen Kumar Rm.6, Daniyal Shahzad Rm.27 and overall winner Hannah Sweeney Rm.2

**4<sup>th</sup> Class**- Calum Gilsenan Rm.19, Chloe Smith Rm.20, Grace Ross Heenan Rm.25, Keren Diba Rm.26 and overall winner Jay Kumar Rm.22

**5<sup>th</sup> Class**- J.J. Marshall Rm.7, Claudia Johnson Rm.8, Queen Adamu Rm.9 and overall winner Paige O' Faolain Rm.10

**6<sup>th</sup> Class**- Quedesh Diba Rm.14, Jamie Campbell Rm.16, Aimee Donovan Rm.17 and overall winner Earl John Villanueva Rm.15

**Keep up the great work!**

### **Class Attendance for the month of March 2017**

3rd Class—Winner of the Cup—Ms Hayes (Room 6) 95.5 %  
4th Class—Winner of the Cup—Ms Seagrave (Room 22) 95.7 %  
5th Class—Winner of the Cup—Ms Kelly (Room 9) 95.5 %  
6th Class—Winner of the Cup—Ms O'Reilly (Room 13) 97.8 %

**Whole School Attendance for March 2017 94 %**

## **ATTENTION : PARENTS**

- A. Adult Art starts back this Tuesday from 9am to 11am in the Parents Room. All are welcome to come along and try it out.
- B. Knitting for Adults continues each Friday from 11.10am to 1.00pm in the Parents Room. Great fun, very therapeutic and absolutely no experience needed.