



St. Thomas' S.N.S. Newsletter



20th March, 2018

School Rule

I come to school every day on time
and prepared

Seachtain na Gaeilge

Seachtain na Gaeilge 2018 Jobstown style was a huge success—there were so many highlights—two of which were the Ceolchoirm and the outdoor Ceili. You can see photos and videos on the school website

www.stthomas.ie

Parents

Our wonderful group of parents played a blinder again last week during Seachtain na Gaeilge. We are hoping to see lots of new parents in and around the school next term. After Easter there will be coffee mornings on different days for parents—watch this space.

Do you want to upskill and get back into the job market?

We are running a Digital & Employable Skills Course in the Parents Room running weekly for 6 weeks commencing 9th April. For more details please contact Lisa Rohan in the school or call 01 4526555.

Easter Crafts for Parents

will run again this Wednesday (21st March) in the Parents Room at 9.00am.

ALL WELCOME

Child Protection

All school staff have received training in the new Child Protection Procedures for Primary Schools based on the Children First National Guidance (2017). Three members of the Board of Management will attend training this evening in the Spa Hotel in Lucan.

Sporting News

1. **Athletics:** Unfortunately due to the heavy rain last week our athletes did not get the opportunity to compete in the South Dublin Schools' Cross Country Series—they will get another day out.
2. **Basketball:** Basketball coach from Basketball Ireland did a coaching session with the players last week—it was very informative
3. **Camogie:** Best of luck to the team who have their very first competitive match after school today in Clondalkin.
4. **Chess:** Good luck to the Chess team who have a match today—they play St. Maelruain's in Old Bawn
5. **Football:** The 5 a side did really well last week and came 3rd in their group, the matches were very tight and the boys behaved excellently.

School News

1. **Mass:** Ms Guinan's and Ms Graham's classes will attend Mass on Thursday as part of their preparation for Confirmation.
2. **Stay Safe Programme:** This is Week 9 of the 13 week programme.
3. **Students of the Month:** Thanks again to Joanne from Dublin Bus for organising yet another trip to the DSPCA on Thursday for our wonderful Students of the Month. It is great to see so many fabulous pupils in our school.
4. **Anti Bullying:** All pupils will get an opportunity to fill in the Anti Bullying questionnaires this week.
5. **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 so pupils may bring in their own lunch on Friday.

**SCHOOL WILL CLOSE THIS
FRIDAY (23rd MARCH) AT
12.00pm**

AND

**REOPEN ON MONDAY 9th
APRIL AT 9.00am.**

St Thomas the Apostle Church

Easter Mass Times For Jobstown

PALM SUNDAY: Blessing of the Palm, Sunday - 11.30 am Mass

HOLY WEEK

Tuesday - Morning Mass at 10.00 am

HOLY THURSDAY: Morning Prayer of the Church - 10.00 am

Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7.30 pm

Watch and Pray Vigil - 8.15 pm - 9.00 pm

GOOD FRIDAY: Way of the Cross - 12.00 noon

Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord - 3.00 pm

Confessions - 4.00pm- 4.30 pm

HOLY SATURDAY: Easter Vigil Mass - 8.00 pm

EASTER SUNDAY: Family Mass of the Lord's Resurrection - 11.30am ***You are welcome to bring a small bottle to take home some Blessed Easter Holy Water.***

CURSILLO WEEKENDS

Will take place in Kilkenny on the following dates: **19th - 22nd of April** for women and **3rd - 6th of May** for men.

CURSILLO is a worldwide lay movement in the Catholic Church.

If you are interested, please contact **Justine for more information on 087 977 3323**

JOIN IMPACT -a new youth group in the parish

We are starting an IMPACT Youth group in the parish! We will look at what's important to us as young people. Plan trips away. Take actions on issues that are important to us. Make a real difference and have fun! So if you are interested in meeting new friends, gaining new skills, experiences and confidence, doing something about the issues that matter to you,

COME ALONG! WE WILL MEET IN THE PASTORAL CENTRE

on Wednesdays, starting Wednesday, 21st March, 12.30 - 13.30 pm

Facilitators: Vicky Rattigan (Young Christian Workers Co - Ordinator)

& Saule Cameron (PPW)

FOROIGE

Vanessa Mulhall (086 4157969)

Please contact Vanessa if you are interested in joining either of her new Foroige clubs:

Monday's 3.15—4.15pm Health & Fitness in the Jobstown Community Centre (for 5th and 6th class students)

Thursday's 2.50-4.00pm Activity Based Programmes in the Kiltalown Management Centre (opposite Centra). 5th and 6th class students

