



St. Thomas' S.N.S. Newsletter



5th November, 2018

Rule of the Week

I come to school every day on time and prepared

Reminder: Enrolment MSCC

If your child is in 6th Class and you want them to attend Mount Seskin Community College next year they must be enrolled:

- A. **Date:** Wednesday 7th November
- B. **Time:** 10.00–12.00
- C. **Venue:** Mount Seskin Community College
- D. **What you need to bring:** Birth Certificate, PPSN and evidence of PPSN

Transition Programme

As part of this year's programme we are very excited that Transition Year students will visit 3rd classes for a number of weeks to do Shared Reading with the pupils, starting this week.

Sprocket Rockets

3rd Class pupils have the opportunity to take part in a 5 week programme organised by Cycle Ireland to provide Safe Cycle Skills to the children. **Only pupils who return the consent forms may take part.** Cycle Ireland provides the bikes, helmet and tutor free of charge to the school. It will take place on Wednesday, weather permitting.

Code of Behaviour

At this stage of the year all parents are familiar with the Code of Behaviour in the school and the steps involved in dealing with negative behaviours which range from verbal warning to red card or suspension.

Positive or good behaviour is rewarded on a daily and/or weekly basis—this is done in a variety of ways depending on the individual teacher. Rewards such as dojo points; raffle tickets; homework pass; computer pass; extra PE; golden time; watching a DVD; cookery etc are available to individual pupils, groups of pupils or/and to the whole class. Individual teachers have their own rewards which work best for their class.

The names and photographs of **Students of the Week** are placed on the classroom door. Pupils selected as **Student of the Month** are presented with a certificate at the monthly assembly, a group photograph is taken and placed on the school website and they also have a big reward.

Legal Issues

Parents/Guardians are requested to inform the school if there are any legal issues in relation to custody of the children. Copies of legal documentation relating to custody will be kept in the Principal's office and teachers informed on a need to know basis. **The responsibility is on the parents to inform the school if any adult including a parent is not allowed to collect children from school.** Please call to see Ms O'Shea if you have any information, queries or concerns in this regard.

Confirmation

Ms Lawlor's class (Room 13) and Ms Fleming's class (Room 16) will make their Confirmation on **Friday 24th May** and Mr Kilbride's (Room 14) and Mr Watson's class (Room 15) will make their confirmation on **Saturday 25th May.**

Gaeilge

Each week we are trying to include a sentence(s) in Irish (as Gaeilge) that you might like to use at home with your child

Go raibh maith agat—Thank you
Fáilte romhat—You're welcome
Ca bhfuil tu? - Where are you



And our Seanfhocail (old Irish saying) translates to "When the cat is away the mice will play"

School/Sports News

- A. **Swimming:** Session 5 of 8 swims takes place tomorrow for 4th class pupils.
- B. **Heritage in Schools:** Ms Griffin's and Mr Daly's classes will be working with a tutor from Heritage in Schools on Friday.
- C. **Transition:** Mr Watson's class will visit MSCC on Friday.



Dear Parents/Guardians,

St. Thomas' Senior National School will be holding its **Annual Christmas Fair** on **November 30th**. Our Christmas Fair is the main fundraising event run for our school. It is extremely important as any funds raised, are used to purchase necessary equipment for our pupil's education. We are seeking the generous support of our parent(s)/guardian(s) and friends of the school on this day. Your support can be given in two important and practical ways.

Firstly, we ask you to donate any gifts or items from the list below which can be sold on the day of the Fair. These items can be left in to the school reception or the parent's room (Rm 23) up to and including **Thursday November 29th**. The Parent's Core Group will collect items from the children in their classrooms also and a jolly will be given.

Unwanted Presents/Gifts and kids books

Good as New Toys, Board Games, Soft Toys and Teddies.

Items for the Gift/Craft Stall

Ornaments, Jewellery, bric-a-brac, etc.

No Adult Books or Old Clothes Please!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Secondly, we would like to have your presence with us on **Friday, November 30th**, for what we hope will be an enjoyable and successful day.

Best wishes,

Eithne O'Shea (Principal)

Lisa Rohan (HSCL)



Congratulations to all of our Mid-term Spelling Bee Winners

3rd Class- Sophia Fitzgerald Rm.2, Queen Matabisi Rm.5, Michael Bardon Talbot Rm.6, Elisha Karaja Rm.27 and overall winner Princess Kamara Rm.4

4th Class- Sarah Barker Rm.12, Zahra Khan Rm.20, Casey Seery Gillespie Rm.22, Abigail Osemede Rm.25 and overall winner Livia Manole Rm.26

5th Class- Taylor Spencer Rm.7, Lovleen Kumar Rm.9, Brodrick Abudioro Rm.10 and overall winner Kaylee Farrelly Rm.8

6th Class- Rubin Finnegan Rm.13, Victoria Adejumbio Rm.14, Kayla McCormack Rm.16 and overall winner Jay Kumar Rm.15

Keep up the great work

