



St. Thomas' S.N.S. Newsletter



3rd February 2020

Rule of the Week

I come to school every day on time and prepared

Recycling/Repak

A representative from Repak will address the senior (5th/6th) class pupils on Wednesday. We hope to get tips on improving our recycling habits. As a Green School we recycle and reuse as much as possible. All of our soft plastic which cannot be recycled is used in the building of ecobricks, skipping ropes and eco beanbags. We will pass on any tips to you in the next week's newsletter.

Parent/Teacher Meetings

Appointments for face to face parent teachers meetings will be sent home this week. If the time given does not suit, please let your child's teacher know so a more suitable time can be organised. Each meeting will last for 10 minutes so please be on time.

It is really important that you meet your child's teacher to share information and discuss how your child is getting on in school. Parent Teacher meetings will take place next week on:

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

Tallaght Credit Union Quiz

Well done to all the boys and girls in the School Quiz Teams who took part in the Tallaght Credit Union Quiz last week and congratulations to our 4th class team: Corey Doyle, Cole Hoey, Kirstin Metcalfe and Molly McCarthy who came first and are through to the Regional Finals.

Book Bills

There are still a small number of parents who have yet to pay their books bills. Please contact the school to settle your bill. Thank you to those of you who have paid.

Stay Safe

This is Week 6 of the 13 week Stay Safe Programme.

CPR

Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPD) can save lives. According to the Irish Heart Foundation "cardiac arrest can happen to anyone at any age—last year in Ireland there were more than 5,000 cardiac arrests—70% of these happened at home". We are extremely fortunate that we have a trained First Aid Instructor on our staff. We are very grateful to Mr Campbell who has trained the school staff in CPR. He will also provide CPR training to our senior pupils starting with 6th class pupils this week.

Attendance/Punctuality

All absences must be explained and absences over 20 days must be reported to Tusla Education Support Service—TESS. A number of pupils are arriving after school starting time of 9.00am. It is very important that pupils are in time for school.

School News

- A. **Assembly:** Monthly assembly will take place this week.
- B. **Swimming:** Session 3 of 8 swims takes place tomorrow for 3rd class pupils. Please make sure they have a towel, swim hat and underclothes. Aerosols are not allowed.
- C. **Music Generation:** Colleen will work with 4th classes on Wednesday.
- D. **Confirmation:** As part of preparation for Confirmation, Ms Fleming's class will attend Mass on Thursday at 10.00am.
- E. **Soccer:** Soccer Coaching for Ms Cooney's and Ms Gill's classes on Thursday.
- F. **Operation Transformation:** Join us for our weekly walk as part of Operation Transformation Just call up to the school to Lisa on Friday at 9.00am. There will be a coffee and healthy treat afterwards.

