



St. Thomas' S.N.S. Newsletter



21st June, 2022

Rule of the Week

I come to school every day on time and prepared

Thank You

Your children are a credit to you and our school: We are very proud of our pupils in St Thomas' SNS. I am continuously getting glowing reports from lots of different sources about the children in our school- visitors to our school, coaches from other schools, tour guides, Tallaght librarians, Inspectors and substitute teachers. They remark about how mannerly, well behaved and of course fun loving our pupils are. This is important to share with you from time to time. Well done to all the pupils of St Thomas' SNS. You are a credit to your parents and your school.

Active Week

Well done to everyone during Active Week. The school was absolutely buzzing with excitement. There were lots of different activities throughout the course of the week- Hip Hop, Zumba, Yoga, Obstacle course, playground games, Soccer, GAA, HIT course and loads more. Check out the school website and Twitter feed for some fantastic photos!!

All pupils gave it 100%, displayed their best manners and encouragement for one another.

Thanks to all the teachers and pupils for making it such an enjoyable week. I would particularly like to thank the parents who gave up their time to run the obstacle course for the children. When I asked you to "run the legs off the kids" you didn't disappoint!!

Parent involvement is so important to us here in the school so thank you so much.

PRIDE

Happy Pride Month to all of our staff, pupils, parents and guardians!



It is lovely to see the messages of love and inclusion spreading throughout the entire school community! At St. Thomas' S.N.S. "every child is valued". We encourage all of our pupils to be proud of who they are and to always show respect to others! Enjoy the celebrations everyone!

School Tours

3rd Class—22nd June—Go Kids Go
4th Class—29th June—Causey Farm
5th Class—21st June—Causey Farm
6th Class—22nd June—Russborough House

Extra Curricular

- **Girls soccer:** The girls soccer team will have their final game this Thursday at 12.30 up on the astro. They have been magnificent this year and have set a solid basis for next year's team. All support is greatly welcomed.
- **Boys GAA:** Our boys GAA team will get the chance to avenge the narrow defeat against our arch rivals St Aidans in Brookfield. This game will be on Thursday on the Astro.

Summer Stars

Summer Stars is the free national reading programme for children that takes place in all public libraries and online each summer. It will run from 13th June - 31st August 2022. This is a fun reading programme and available free of charge to all children who register for it at their local library. Log on to www.summerstars.ie for further information.

Website, Twitter

Thanks to Mairéad Healy, Ms Collins, Ms Gill, Ms Daly, Ms McKenna and Mr Carroll for the fabulous posts on our school website and Twitter feed last week!

Website: 344,138 views (537 views since last week)

Twitter Account: 516 followers (4 new followers since last week)

Students vs Teachers

This year saw the first ever soccer game between the students and the teachers. The excitement was bubbling throughout the day in the school. This was in line with the temperature outside by the time players and supporters got to the astro. It was absolutely roasting which caused a number of teachers to become concerned about their fitness levels. After a cagey first fifteen mins the deadlock was broken by a deft touch from Mr Watson to set the teachers on their way. The students were led exceptionally by Nathan who had some cruel luck with a missed penalty just on the stroke of half time which would have levelled things up.

The teachers scored again a minute from the restart only to be cruelly reduced to ten players with the dismissal of Mr Rennick by ref Marie Ward. This incident seemed to renew the students who began to dominate the play, cutting through the waning energy levels of the teachers with skill, style and determination. Before the teachers could blink it was 2-1. Mr Brennan seemed to put the game beyond the students with a cracking finish with five to go but out of nowhere Sophia and Keith levelled things up as Marie blew for full time.

The game was decided on penalties with the students running out deserving winners.

Uniforms

If you have a uniform/tracksuit that is in good condition and you no longer need it please send in to the office and we will find a good home for it