

8th June, 2022

Rule of the Week

I behave in a proper manner around the school

6th Class Graduation

6th class Graduation will take place on Tuesday 28th June. There will be a ceremony (10.45am- 11.45am) in the hall where pupils will be presented with their certs by class teachers and the school choir will perform. This will be followed by tea/ coffee and treats for parents in the school garden at 12. Pupils will be allowed to go home after.



Book Week

Thank you to the Literacy FG for putting together a great week of activities for all the pupils. The whole week flowed and there was a great sense of fun and enjoyment from all pupils. The variety and amazing efforts by all ensured the continued success of book week in St Thomas. The pupils were entertained by so much and as ever displayed brilliant manners and respect. As I said to them throughout the week " you are never lonely when you have a book". Please encourage your son/ daughter to always be reading as it will benefit them in all areas of life.

Student Voice Conference

Best of luck to Mr Carroll and his pupils who are showcasing their Minecraft project and our collaborative Virtual Reality tour of Tallaght to a global audience today in Dublin West Education Centre.



Online Behaviour

We are currently investigating, monitoring and reporting a number of Tik Tok accounts that are being used to target some of our pupils and staff members. We will be contacting parents directly if we identify that any of our pupils are connected to these Tik Tok accounts in any way. The school is taking this very seriously and would greatly appreciate parents' support in this. Please monitor your child's online activity at all times and encourage them to **REPORT** and **BLOCK** accounts like these.

Extra Curricular

- **Girls soccer:** Our girls soccer team played out a 3-3 draw against Our Lady of Good Counsel. This was all the more impressive as they were 3-0 down but fought back in an amazing fashion.
- **Boys GAA:** Our boys GAA team had a narrow defeat against our arch rivals St Aidans in Brookfield. By all accounts we were playing all the football and kicking points for fun!! Hopefully we'll get the right result in the return game.
- **Swimming:** 3rd class completed their sessions last Thursday. All swimmers will be presented with their certs during Active Week.

Thanks to all the teachers who give up their time for these activities.

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 for Mr Carroll, Ms Quirke, Mr Brennan, Ms Treacy, Ms Collins and Ms Connolly the fabulous posts on our school website and Twitter feed last week!

Website: 343,104 views (500 views since last week)

Twitter Account: 507 followers (8 new followers since last week)

Half Day Friday

The school will close this Friday (10th June) at 12.00 for pupils due to teacher training.

Summer Programmes 2022

Any parents interested in **home based summer provision** please contact the school for forms/details of registration.