

21st November,

ST THOMAS SNS NEWSLETTER



Rule of the week:

I behave in a proper manner around the school

Weather

The weather is expected to get very cold and wet over the next week. It is very important that the children are wearing jackets, hats/gloves.

Christmas in St Thomas'

Preparations are very much under way for Christmas in the school. Classes are hard at work preparing for their shows and have been hard at work rehearsing, going through their dance routines and perfecting their imitations of some familiar figures in the school!!

Huge thanks to Neil for setting up the stage, lighting and sound for the Christmas shows. He was hard at work for over three days ensuring that all classes will have an amazing stage to perform on. Also thank you to Ms Daly for organising the rehearsal times and the introductions for the show days.



Times for performances will be circulated during the week. Our school choir is up and running and will be displaying their singing talents in the Citywest shopping centre in December. We will also be having a Christmas service in the church to celebrate the real reason for Christmas

There will also be a Christmas bingo on the week of the holidays and a dress up day for all of the school community.

New Screen

We will have an extra prop this year in the form of the retractable screen that was installed on Thursday. This will be an amazing asset for the school going forward and another bow to our string in regards to IT. Well done to Mr Campbell for facilitating this.



HSCL Instagram



St. Thomas' has a new HSCL Instagram account that our parents and guardians can follow to find out about events, projects and initiatives being run by the school - "hscl_stthomassns"

Parents Eolas App

So far 120 parents / guardians have installed the DataBiz Parent Eolas App on their phone to keep up-to-date with their child's progress and receive updates from the school. If you need help installing the app on your phone please email: helpdesk@stthomas.ie

The App is an important form of communicating with parents and a great tool for parents to:

- Receive messages from the school
- Receive electronic documents from the school
- Access their child's attendance record
- Input reasons for absences
- View their child's standardised tests scores
- View their child's school report(s)
- Make payments to the school
- Book a time for their child's parent-teacher meeting
- Grant or withhold permission for their child to take part in school activities

School Website/Twitter

Thanks to Mr Brennan, Ms McKenna, Ms O'Reilly, Mr Mangan, Mr Carroll, Ms Murphy, Ms Wilson and Ms Quirke for all the fabulous posts!

Website Views: 359,134 views (1,488 views since last week)

Twitter Followers: 596 followers (no new followers since last week)

If you are not already following you can do so at:
Email: info@stthomas.ie Website: www.stthomas.ie
Twitter: @SaintThomasSNS.

The school website and Twitter feed is another form of communicating with the Jobstown community and showing you how amazing your children are.

Croke Park



Over 70 pupils will visit Croke Park on Wednesday as a reward for all their hard work this year. There has been an exceptional effort on behalf of everyone this year in relation to GAA- teachers, pupils and parents. You can sense the enthusiasm and pride in the pupils as they speak, train and prepare for training/ games. Again thank you for all the effort in training and encouraging the teams. Several parents have commented to me that it's great to see all the kids involved. Special mention to Mr Bacon for organising the trip, communicating with Croke Park and collecting monies.