

# *St. Stephen 's De La Salle BNS: April 2018 Newsletter*

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Welcome back to all our boys and parents for a new school term. Well done to all classes for their good work so far this year. Thanks to all our parents for your help and support. Our project to build 4 new classrooms has started and a special thanks to our Board of Management.

St. Stephen's has renewed the Child Safeguarding Statement which is available in reception and on our website. We are reviewing safety throughout the school especially at our entrance. School policies such as supervision, administration of medicines, intimate care, swimming and school tours are being reviewed also. These policies will be available in the coming weeks.

## Points to note / remember:

- Pupils will be supervised in the school yard from **8.40a.m.** each morning.
- Give your son a good start to the day by ensuring that he is **on time for school**.
- School **attendance** is very important. When boys are sick they should stay at home, otherwise they need to be in school.
- **Parents please remain behind the barrier for health and safety reasons.**

All teachers have a full day training in the new Language Curriculum and the **school will be closed on 23<sup>rd</sup> May. On 25<sup>th</sup> May the school will be closed** due to the referendum.

Please remember Drumcondra testing in English is on 25<sup>th</sup> April and 27<sup>th</sup> of April; Maths testing is 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> of May. We want to maintain our good results of recent years.

There are a number of places in our Preschool and Junior Infant classes. Our Junior Infant Open Day is on the 9<sup>th</sup> of May at 1p.m. and the Preschool Open Day is on the 16<sup>th</sup> of May at 12 o` clock. If you have any family members who you wish to enrol please call into the office for an application form.

**After school activities continue this year thanks to our dedicated staff, the De La Salle GAA Club and Billy Flynn. They include hurling, football, basketball and chess.**

The Holy Communion mass will take place on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> of May at 12 o` clock. The

Confirmation Mass will take place on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> of June at 11.00a.m.

Swimming for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> starts Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April for 8 weeks. First class lessons begin on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May for 4 weeks. Second class begins 31<sup>st</sup> May for 4 weeks.

Fresh Today is the name of the company who supply and deliver the food. There are new options on the menu.

I wish all boys, teachers and parents every success in the coming weeks.

Thank you,

Mr Morris, Principal.