



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Winners of €15 Smyths vouchers for outstanding work on Seesaw this week

Andy Mereacre – Junior Infants

Zuzanna Wojciech – 2nd Class



Thank you to Ms Walsh's 4th class for presenting our weekly assembly and for the great dance too. Well done also to our winners from Active Week too Maja Zwolinska and Anirudha Padhy.

This week it has been great celebrating Friendship. With current restrictions meaning children can't physically play with their friends it has been lovely to see children using the SeeSaw Blog feature as a way to send messages and videos to each other in a social context (all items need to be approved by teacher before they appear in the blog meaning it is safe introduction to the use of social media style interaction for children too). I'm sure as children become more familiar with the blog this will develop further and hopefully the children will continue to enjoy it.

The Lighthouse will reopen fully from Monday 22nd February and we can't wait to have the children back with us in the building! We hope the rest of our children will be back soon too.

Reminder - The Department of Education is offering children in our mainstream classes with diagnosed complex needs home tuition, any one who is interested in more information about this can contact me directly principal@saggartns.ie.

Midterm break will take place next week as planned on the 18th & 19th February. Children will be assigned no work for these days and will hopefully enjoy a well-deserved rest. They certainly have worked incredibly hard since January and continue to progress their education when working from home with the support of their parents and teachers which is great. I want to commend the teachers also for their continued creativity and flexibility as they adapt the curriculum to suit the children working in their own home.

As next week is a short week there will be no assembly or newsletter.

Parent-teacher meetings took place this week over the phone, thank you to all parents and teachers for adapting to the meetings which ran so smoothly. It is great that we were able to get the opportunity to chat about the children's progress and any concerns. Working as part of a close school community here at St Mary's greatly contributes to supporting the children through this challenging time – thank you!

Contacting the school: As the school building is closed for the next while the phones in the school will not be answered. You should contact your child's teacher via Seesaw app directly. If you need to contact the office the email is stmaryssaggart2@gmail.com or my own email is principal@saggartns.ie .

Kind regards
Ms Olwill
Principal

Ms Lannery
Deputy Principal