ST. JOSEPH'S SECONDARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Proud of our Past, Confident of our Future

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to the New School Year. On behalf of the management, teaching and ancillary staff at St. Joseph's I would like to extend a warm welcome to new and returning students. To those students and parents who are new to our school we extend an especially warm welcome and best wishes for an exciting and educationally challenging year in your first year. We hope that your son will quickly feel at home, settle into his studies and become involved in the organised extra-curricular activities. We hope it will be a successful year for all the students academically and that their time with us will be enjoyable. I have high expectations for this school year and that your son achieves to his highest potential. David Madden. **Principal.**

SCHOOL EXTENSION

Building work on the school extension is on schedule and will be finished by March 2015. The school offices are scheduled to be finished by the end of this November. Two new woodwork and two new technology workshops were handed over to the school at the start of September. Work during the summer also included doubling the size of the student canteen, building new dressing rooms for the gym and a new mini gym.

The new traffic management system at the front of the school has made it much safer for students to be dropped off and collected by parents and school buses. We would encourage all parents to use this system.

Photo: mid August '14.

Check out the latest news on our School's Website
www.droghedacbs.ie

St. Joseph's U 14 Gaelic Football Team
Co. Louth Champions 2013/14

Back row: Mr Kent, Cathal Doherty, Adam Swift, Shane Noone (Capt.), Tadhg O Reilly, Diarmud Mc Keown, Alan Connor, Jamie Doherty, Eoghan Gaynor, Ciaran Mc Cann, Pearse Rice, Pete Murphy, Ruairi Eustace, Dan Mc Cabe, Darren Morgan, Aldrin Connor, Mr. Downey.Front row: Alex Shields, Matthew Boylan, Emmet King, Daire Nally, Ryan Levins, Harry Haughy, Shane Hickey, Luke Byrne, Marty Walsh, Niall Mc Donnell, James Moore, Cian Fitzpatrick.

Junior Cert 2014

Congratulations to our students opposite who between them achieved 35 "A"s in their Junior Certificate Examinations. Photo L—R: Shane Mc Quillan, Padraic O' Donohue, Scott Murphy, John Holdcroft and Louis Flanagan.

AFTER SCHOOL STUDY

After school study is available to all students from 4pm to 6pm from Monday to Thursday inclusive. Third and sixth year students are encouraged to avail of this service.

Peadar Mc Cann Awards Night May 2014

Photo shows Professor Peter Gillen (left) and School Principal David Madden (right) with some of the Leaving Cert Students who achieved over 500 points in the Leaving Cert 2013. They include (back row) Emmet Murphy, Seán Mc Connell, James Carolan, Daniel Nelis (overall winner), and (front row) Ross Murphy , Mark Hoey, Sean Doherty and David Coffey.

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The Board of Management is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Savage, who is a member of the teaching staff, to the position of Acting Deputy Principal.

School Calendar 2014/15

October 2014
2nd Open Night
24th Last day of term
27th Bank holiday
28th, 29th, 30th, 31st Midterm break. Supervised study is available in the school from 9am to 12pm each day.

November 2014
3rd School re-opens
3rd, 4th, 5th House exams for all students
27th Third year parent/teacher meeting, 4.15pm

December 2014
10th Sixth year parent/teacher meeting, 4.15pm
19th Last day of term

January 2015
5th School reopens

February 2015
4th Pre exams start
12th Second year parent/teacher meeting, 4.15pm
16th to 20th midterm break
25th Fifth year parent/teacher meeting, 4.15pm

March 2015
17th Bank Holiday
12th First year parent/teacher meeting, 4.15pm
30th Start of Easter break

April 2015
30th March to 10th April Easter break
5th Easter Sunday

May 2015
4th Bank Holiday
21st Sixth year Graduation Mass
25th TY Parent Evening
25th Summer House Exams start
29th Last day of term

November exams will be held for all students on Mon 3rd, Tue 4th and Wed 5th of November. Supervised study will be available in the school during the mid term break, from 9am to 12pm each day, Tue to Fri at a cost of €5 for the week.

L.C. 2014

(L) Jack Reilly (565 points) from Clogherhead who is studying Physics, also at UCD.

(R) Sean Mc Loughlin (570 points) who is now studying Law and Politics in UCD.