Dear Parents,

I hope all of the mums had a wonderful Mother’s day last Sunday. The P.F.A Mother’s Day Dinner was held last Friday and was a great night from all accounts. Thanks to Fiona White for organising this event. The craft evening for dads and children to make something for mum for Mother’s Day was a great success again and I wish to thank Sandy Howe and Ka Butler for organising the evening.

NEWSLETTER CHANGES

We have had some feedback that the newsletter has been too long so we are going to change the format. The body of the Newsletter will contain the Principal’s page, the Prayer and Parenting Ideas. In addition it will contain hyper-links to Classroom and Specialist Teacher Blog pages on our website which will replace classroom news. Community notices and advertising will be posted on a Community Notice Board on the website and the newsletter will also contain a link to this section of the website. The P.F.A, Fete Committee and Advisory Board will have links published on the Newsletter. The other link will be to the school calendar. The major items from each section will be summarised in point form and important announcements or events will be published in full. Hope you like the changes. Please let us know what you think.
ENHANCING CATHOLIC IDENTITY PROJECT

Log on details have been mailed to you so that you can complete the questionnaires.

I wish to encourage you all to participate.

The information we gain will be very important for the parish as we plan the directions of the school over the next decade and for us to understand more about what we can do for you and the families of Woodend.

Grade 3 children are currently preparing to receive their First Holy Communion. A workshop was held for them and their parents last week and I wish to thank Mrs O’Callaghan for organising the evening. Please keep the children in your prayers.

Detailed Calendar
A summary of dates can be found below but for our detailed school calendar please click on this link.

Official school calendar

Other important links

PFA

COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

Uniform Shop

SCHOOL APP FOR YOUR SMARTPHONE
In our efforts to improve communication we have had an App designed for our school. The App will work on both Android and Apple smart phones and on tablets. The App will send push notifications and alerts and will provide quick links to the school and various school documents and web pages. The App was designed by Skoolbag. The Android version is still being completed and will be available through the Google Play Store (I’ll let you know when it’s available). The iPhone/iPad app is now available at the iTunes App Store. It’s free – just search for St Ambrose’s School Woodend.

Yours sincerely,
Robert Macklin

PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE REGULARLY FOR CALENDAR UPDATES AND ALL OTHER CORRESPONDENCE

NAPLAN TESTING IS BEING CONDUCTED THIS WEEK.
Religious Education – Mrs O’Callaghan

Learning & Teaching – Ms Roberts

Mrs Beaumont – P/1A

Mrs Boldiston – P/1J

Mrs Pringle – 1/2

Mrs Geisler – 2/3

Mrs Cavric & Mrs Woodman – 3/4CW

Mr Fitzgerald – 3/4F

Mr Portelli – 5/6P

Mrs Flett – 5/6F

Visual Art – Ms Shannon

Literacy – Mrs Thomas

Music – Mrs Meyer

Student Wellbeing – Ms Roberts

Phys Ed – Mrs McDonald

LOTE Japanese – Sensei Cox
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