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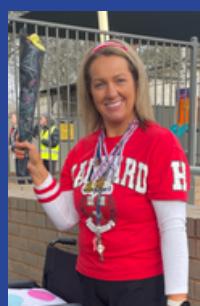
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Faster Higher
Stronger
TOGETHER!



PRAYER FOR THE BEGINNING OF
A NEW TERM



Almighty God We pray our school will continue to be a place of great learning, discovery and creativity. May it be a place where we love to learn, to think, to create and to be with one another. A place where everyone is respected and all are deeply valued. We ask all this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



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Prep K led this week's assembly and are pictured above reciting the story of The Little Red Hen & the Wheat. They did an awesome job!

Keep the fire burning! Blak, loud and proud.

Our next newsletter will be published on Friday 9th August 2024.

Term 3 dates

Monday 29 July 2024	School swimming program - Prep K & half 5/6M 12.30-1.15, Prep T and half 5/6M 1.15-2, 5/6P 2-2.45 Football Victoria Soccer Sessions 3.45-4.45pm
Tuesday 30 July 2024	School swimming program - Prep K & half 5/6M 12.30-1.15, Prep T and half 5/6M 1.15-2, 5/6P 2-2.45 PFA meeting 5pm
Wednesday 31 July 2024	School swimming program - Prep K & half 5/6M 12.30-1.15, Prep T and half 5/6M 1.15-2, 5/6P 2-2.45
Thursday 1 August 2024	Parent-Student-Teacher Interviews
Friday 2 August 2024	Prep 100 days of school celebration Junior level Mass 9.30am
Saturday 3 August 2024	Eucharist Commitment Mass 6pm
Sunday 4 August 2024	Eucharist Commitment Mass 11am
Monday 5 August 2024	School swimming program - Prep K & half 5/6M 12.30-1.15, Prep T and half 5/6M 1.15-2, 5/6P 2-2.45
Tuesday 6 August 2024	School swimming program - Prep K & half 5/6M 12.30-1.15, Prep T and half 5/6M 1.15-2, 5/6P 2-2.45 Cobaw Basketball (Grade 6 x 16 students) Sacred Heart College Junior Chef - 10am - 12pm
Wednesday 7 August 2024	School Open Day – 9.30-11am SAC meeting 9.15am Assembly in Gumbuya 2.45pm
Thursday 8 August 2024	Grade 3/4 Mass 9.30am
Saturday 10 August 2024	Eucharist Commitment Mass 6pm
Sunday 11 August 2024	Eucharist Commitment Mass 11am
Monday 12 August 2024	School swimming program - 3/4M 12.30-1.15, 3/4R 1.15-2, 3/4T 2-2.45
Tuesday 13 August 2024	School swimming program - 3/4M 12.30-1.15, 3/4R 1.15-2, 3/4T 2-2.45
Wednesday 14 August 2024	Buddies Mass – 9.30am School swimming program - 3/4M 12.30-1.15, 3/4R 1.15-2, 3/4T 2-2.45
Friday 16 August 2024	Cobaw Athletics Bendigo – Gr 3-6 x 50 students Junior (1/2) Mass 9.30am
Monday 19 August 2024	Prep/1/2 Book week show 10am at Woodend Library School swimming program - 3/4M 12.30-1.15, 3/4R 1.15-2, 3/4T 2-2.45
Tuesday 20 August 2024	School swimming program - 3/4M 12.30-1.15, 3/4R 1.15-2, 3/4T 2-2.45 Sacred Heart College Junior Chef 4-6.30pm
Wednesday 21 August 2024	Book Parade for Book Week 9.15am Maybe a Miracle – Livestream event for all classes Assembly in Gumbuya – 2.45pm
Thursday 22 August 2024	Grade 5/6 Mass – 9.30am Girls Division Volleyball (Bendigo)
Monday 26 August 2024	Opening of new buildings 9.15am
Wednesday 28 August 2024	Father's Day Refreshments 2pm Father's Day Liturgy 3pm
Friday 30 August 2024	School closure day – Religious Education
Wednesday 4 September 2024	AFL Roadshow incursion for all grades Assembly in Gumbuya – 2.45pm
Thursday 5 September 2024	Eucharist sacrament preparation 2.45pm
Saturday 7 September 2024	Sacrament of First Eucharist 6pm
Sunday 8 September 2024	Sacrament of First Eucharist 11am
Saturday 14 September 2024	Sacrament of First Eucharist 6pm
Sunday 15 September 2024	Sacrament of First Eucharist 11am
Monday 16 September 2024	Division athletics Bendigo
Wednesday 18 September 2024	End of Term Mass 9.30am
Friday 20 September 2024	End of Term 3 – students dismissed at 2.30pm
Sat. 21 September – Sun. 6 October 2024	Term 3 Holidays
Monday 7 October 2024	Term 4 commences

Message from the Principal

Dear families, parishioners, and friends,



It is great to be back after what we hope was a relaxing term break for all! Our staff pictured above had a most productive first day learning more about how we can deliver effective maths lessons from maths expert

Michael Ymer.

Our learning aligns with MACS recently released Vision for Instruction. Its intent is that by 2030, MACs schools become the benchmark for excellence in teaching & learning. As part of this, our conscientious staff have engaged in professional learning around cognition, how students learn best and the implications for instruction. They have continued to build on their knowledge of what learning is and in its simplest definition, Learning is a change in long term memory.

As a system and as a school we have come to know more about Cognitive Load Theory and how the brain works. One of the key aspects is knowing what the limitations of our working memory are and what impacts our ability to learn.

As a staff we aim to minimise disruptions to the classroom and therefore learning. By minimising the amount of noise and unnecessary distractions for students we allow greater time to focus on learning .PA announcements will continue to only be made at allocated times and students will only leave the classroom when necessary.

As parents you can help us by:

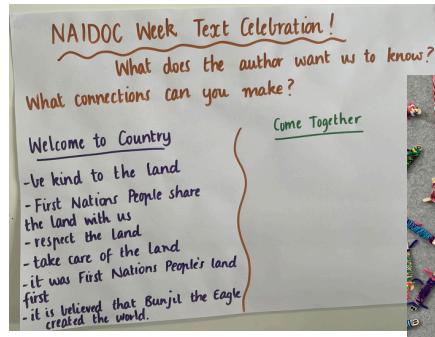
- Ensuring your child is at school on time each day.
- Only picking up your child early if absolutely necessary. We also ask that if you do need to pick them up that it is done just before break times where possible, (10:50am/1:50pm) or at the end of recess (11:40am) or lunchtime (2:40pm). This also assists our office staff as locating students from the playground can be time consuming.

At St. Ambrose school we want the best for our students and their learning and we know that in working together we shine. We certainly finished the week shining brightly throughout our Olympic Events today. Thank you Mrs. Cavric, our staff and you our families for making this day good fun and memorable!

Message from the Principal

Naidoc Week

Last week our school celebrated NAIDOC Week. NAIDOC stands for National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee and this year was all about celebrating Indigenous culture and identity. The 2024 theme is Keep the fire burning! Blak, loud and proud. The theme honours the enduring strength and vitality of First Nations culture – with fire a symbol of connection to Country, to each other, and to the rich tapestry of traditions that define Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Our students continue to learn about our first nations people and how we can respect and learn from them.



Calling for Canteen Volunteers

Katie is doing a great job preparing our delicious canteen menu options for our students. We do need more volunteers for the roster on Wednesdays to ensure food is delivered in a timely manner. **It would be great if you can offer some of your assistance either in the morning or in the afternoon.** A reminder that when your child is attending swimming lessons on Wednesdays that they can't order Sushi. 5-6M & Prep K are unable to have a lunch order on their swimming Wednesday as they are not onsite during delivery times.



Confirmation

This week we presented our confirmation candidates with their certificates and offered them our congratulations at assembly.



Welcome Rev. Fr. John Healy

We are very happy to welcome Rev Fr. John Healy to our parish and school. Fr. John is keen to get to know and work with us all. It was great to see him at last evenings Eucharist evening. He will be visiting our classrooms over the coming weeks.



Swimming Information Sessions

All of our students participate in a swimming information session prior to starting their swimming lessons. The lessons not only focus on swimming skills but also on water safety including what to do if someone needs help in the water and what marine life not to touch.



Parent-Student-teacher Conversations

Thank you for making the time to meet with your teachers this week or next week. it was great to see so many of you.

To continue our work on our school improvement goals, this year we offered **students from years three to six to attend these meetings**. Three-way conferences involve conversations between the student, their parents, and their teacher. They allow our students to share with parents and teachers their growth as a learner as well as goals for future learning.

Through this process children can take more responsibility for their progress and achievement, exercise their voice and agency and demonstrate a growing understanding of their development as independent learners.

In three-way conferencing, all three parties - the student, parents, and the teacher - sit together and talk about the student's learning, with the student taking an equal role. Students will be provided with a scaffold for this process. If you would prefer to meet without your child please notify your child's teacher via email.

Year prep, one and two pupils parents continued to meet just with the teacher 1-1.

Roof Laws

Following the recent tragic accident at a school in Melbourne where a teacher fell from a roof MACS are reviewing their policies and wish the following to be shared with you:

"As stated previously, the safety, health and wellbeing of our students and staff is the most important priority for MACS, and therefore, following the tragic circumstances that took place last term, a careful and thorough review has commenced into the circumstances surrounding the incident to identify what we can do to ensure that a tragedy such as this never happens again. This includes reviewing our existing policies, procedures and requirements relating to roof access."

While the review is underway, I require that you direct your staff - including permanent, fixed term, casual and CRT staff and parent volunteers - **that until further notice they must not undertake any activities that would involve them working on roofs, or any similar locations where there is a risk of falling.**

I also remind you that any contractors working for us on roofs or otherwise at heights above two metres must have the appropriate training and qualifications, risk assessments and equipment to control their risks."

I ask that you are not tempted to climb up on our roof on the weekend to retrieve balls that your children may say are up there. Your safety is more important.

Parents as Helpers School Support Program



We sincerely thank those of you who are supporting our programs in some way. We welcome your assistance and remind you to add your contribution to the Operoo form.

School Fees \$\$\$

Our thanks to those of you who are keeping your fees paid up to date. We rely on this income to cover the programs we offer our students. If you are unable to keep payments up to date please contact Karen Basa or me directly to organise a payment plan that will work for you. If you have already done this, thank you too.

Naplan 2024

Last week our Year 3 and 5 students brought home their NAPLAN results. As you are aware, NAPLAN is a national assessment to see how your child's skills and understanding in literacy and numeracy compare against national standards. We encourage parents to take the time to look over these reports. The front page explains the achievement scale, the middle two pages show your child's results and the back page explains the achievement standard. It is important that parents keep this NAPLAN report in a safe place as the school does not get copies of individual students reports. When enrolling into secondary school, schools will ask for a copy of this report that only parents can provide. Naplan tests are one of many ways we assess our students.

Our Hens are Laying!

Sustainability leaders Mary and Joe are pictured with our first two eggs! Katie will make good use of our fresh eggs in the canteen when baking muffins for lunch orders!



Next PFA Meeting Monday July 29th 5.00pm

We are looking to meet again next Monday at 5.00pm in the staffroom. All are welcome!



Jack & his Grandad Grow a Winner at 14.71 kg!

Jack R in 3-4T/W is pictured proudly holding his whooper winning pumpkin which he grew under the guidance of his grandfather John! Woodend Lions Club sponsor this annual biggest pumpkin competition.



Blessing of the Upgraded Buildings

Fr John will bless our upgraded building and the plaque will be unveiled with local member Mary-Anne Thomas MP on August 26th at 9.15 am. You are welcome to join us in the library for this event.

2025 Prep Offers

If you are wishing to enrol a sibling of a current student in Prep next year, we urge you to submit your enrolment application asap.

2025 Prep places are currently being offered. We are also taking enrolments across all levels.

Canteen on Swimming Days

Please note that canteen lunches will still be available on swimming days **except for Prep K and 5-6M** as the times wont align for them. **Super Sushi is not an option for children swimming on Wednesdays.** All other menu items will be available for them unless in Prep K or 5-6M.

Father's Day Celebrations Save the Date! 28th August 2.00pm



We are looking forward to celebrating with our Dads and those like Father's to us with a sporty theme. Students may wear their favourite sporting scarf, jumper, shirt or hat. Save the date. Updates will come closer to the time!



Next Newsletter

For more news and photos visit our [website](#) and look at latest news including today's olympic games fun by clicking on our facebook button.

Our next newsletter will be published on Friday, 9th August



**Bronwyn Phillips
Principal**



Visual Arts Feature

FUN & CREATIVITY IN THE ART ROOM

Lots of fun and creativity have been had within the visual arts room this semester. Students have all been encouraged to create and make to their best abilities. They accepted the challenge with vigour and enthusiasm. Students were encouraged to explore our local natural environment. Drawings and creations of flora and fauna in 2D and 3D representations have been displayed and admired along our corridors. This provided an opportunity for all year levels to visually learn about the local and wider world from their peers and community.

Years 3-6 researched and chose flora and fauna from the Macedon Ranges and Australia to sketch and create watercolour artworks. The display of local Macedon Ranges endangered species was a popular springboard for much discussion by all who admired and viewed the amazing watercolour artworks.

3D clay sculptures of animals and monsters proved to be favourites of all. The tactile medium of clay allows students to feel, make and create artworks that can be easily moulded into just about anything. Pinch pots are always a starting point to learn how to work with clay. Preps made domestic animals and the rest of the school created a variety of monsters. I'm sure parents have had the pleasure of receiving these in the last two weeks.

The pictures tell the story best.



AROUND THE SCHOOL



Our Swimming Program is off to a great Start!



Prep K assembly presentation



Our Grade 5/6s learn about homelessness.

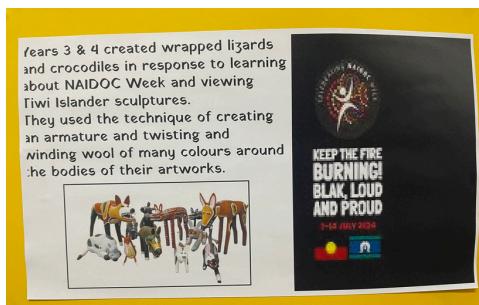


We raised \$261.60 total of donations for winter woolly day to be allocated to those in need.

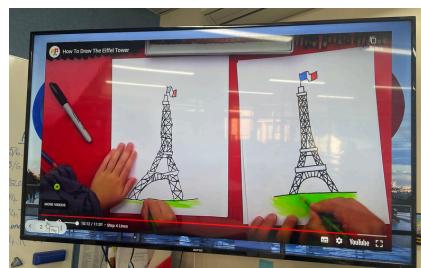
Well done Ava and Alani and THANKYOU!!!



AROUND THE SCHOOL



1/2S Acknowledgement of Country.
We acknowledge the Djä Djä Wurrung peoples of the Kulin nation. Thank you for the beautiful land you share with us. We are so thankful and grateful for the nature, animals, trees, insects, oceans, homes and schools that we have. We pay our respects to the elders of the past, the present and the future.



We hope that our year 4 students and their families connected with last evenings Eucharist information evening facilitated by the vibrant Samantha. We look forward to supporting our children on this journey as they prepare for their first communion.



SSV State Cross Country



Congratulations to Alani, Elke & Harriet on qualifying for and competing in the state cross country at Yarra Glen on Thursday. I hear it was a wet and muddy track. Alani finished 60th, Elke 41st and Harriet 38th, in the entire state! Well done on doing St. Ambrose proud girls!





Student News



STUDENT AWARDS

Prep K - Valerie W for being resilient and making a positive start to Term 3!
Prep K - Stuart P for working hard to sound out words in his writing - keep it up!
Prep T - Matteo T for making great progress in his reading and writing!
Prep T - Madeline Q for her positive attitude and helping others - well done!
1/2CM - Casey M for his great focus and listening during swimming!
1/2CM - Charlie P for independently writing an amazing recount!
1/2CM - Gwen G for her amazing contributions to our class discussions!
1/2CM - Elias B for consistently showing the positive behaviours for learning!
1/2O - Isla M for showing kindness and acceptance to all who visit 1/2O.
1/2O - Baz R for consistently showing all of our Positive Behaviours for Learning.
1/2O - Mack R for being a great role model to all at St Ambrose.
1/2S - Ryder M for his thoughtful contributions to class discussions. Well done!
1/2S - Lucas T for being a caring and kind class mate. Thank you!
1/2S - Dominic O for being a responsible and respectful member of our class.
Well done!
1/2S - Toby C for being a great role model and always showing the school values.
Well done!
3/4M - Iona T for working hard when using regrouping in subtraction.
3/4M - Varli F for her excellent "Thank you" to Father Martin.
3/4R - Myles L for being so resilient when building 3D objects!
3/4R - Haley C for always being a kind and respectful class mate!
3/4TW - James B for rising up to the challenge in maths when learning about cube nets.
3/4TW - Marli P for writing an engaging narrative that surprised the reader.
5/6M - Indie R-H for working hard to improve her narrative writing by using new vocabulary and editing her work.
5/6M - Orlando B for always being prepared to share his knowledge with our class!
5/6P - Madeline D for her positive attitude and happy nature.
5/6P - Jack B for always contributing to classroom discussions.

Jordan M for being responsible for his reading success.
Elliott N for being responsible for his reading success.



Sports Stars of the Week

Ryder M for excellent ball control in number soccer.

PBL Silver Awards

Elias B, Poppy C, Elliott N, Lucas T, Jack J, Jordan M, Elise M, Gwen G, Scarlett AG, Joshua R, Kitty B, Sebastian C, Oli J, Caleb S, Jack J, Coby S, Reuben T, Harriet B, Remy B, Mateo S, Ben Y, Ruby ZW, Tora C, Cooper L., Florence H, Ben C, Lucy S, Bill R, Harper C, Holly C, Sailor C, Alfred O, Scarlett AG.

PBL Gold Awards

Felix D, Neve E-S, Rose AG, Evelyn C, Emily S, Marli P, James B, Jett M, Mack R.





Mental Health & Wellbeing at St Ambrose

Erin Brass

Bullying No Way: National week of action

Our Social Justice Leaders are pleased to announce that this year St Ambrose School is participating in the Bullying No Way: National week of action, 12th to 16th August 2024.

Bullying No Way Week is a commitment being made by thousands of schools and supporters across the country. It provides an opportunity to demonstrate our commitment to bullying prevention. It gives us an opportunity to connect with students, staff and school communities to implement workable solutions to prevent bullying.

The new hero colour for the campaign is purple - symbolising peace, strength and empowerment to take a stand against bullying behaviour. The students will be invited to wear a pop of purple to school on Wednesday 14th August.

The theme for this year's campaign is Everyone belongs. This theme highlights the importance of creating a sense of belonging and inclusion for students. We recognise bullying often thrives in environments where individuals feel marginalised or excluded, and it is our collective responsibility to ensure that every student feels valued and respected.

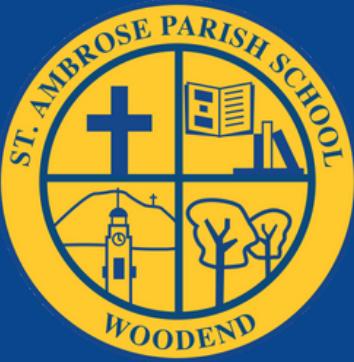
For more information about Bullying No Way Week and bullying prevention, visit the Bullying No Way website.

During the week we will be engaging students in meaningful discussions and activities aimed at promoting empathy, understanding, and respect for diversity. We encourage parents and carers to take this opportunity to have open and honest conversations with their children about the impact of bullying and what they can do if they need support. You can visit the Bullying No Way website for tips around how to have this discussion.

You can access the school's bullying prevention policy here to learn more about our process for preventing and responding to bullying.

If you have concerns that your child is being bullied, please contact your child's teacher in the first instance. If you believe the behaviour constitutes a crime, or is a serious incident of cyberbullying, please refer to the Bullying No Way website for information on how to report to other authorities and access wellbeing help.





JOIN THE CELEBRATION OF ALL THINGS

Faith & Family

Prayer

Jesus, I know that there is much in my life- some You have called me to do and other things to put aside for another day. Help me today to be attentive to Your voice and to listen for when I am to work and rest so that I live in Your will for my life.



Wonderings:

Am I taking time to renew and reflect on how I spend my day? Do I make space for work and rest in my life?

Eucharist Night:

Yesterday, 25th July, we had the Eucharist night. Samantha O'Dwyer was our guest speaker and she helped us all understand the origins of the Eucharist and its meaning in the Mass today. Samantha's talk took place in the Church, which was appropriate as we are all called to partake of Communion at the table of the Lord. Thanks Samantha for taking the time to talk to us.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

PARISH NEWSLETTER

Gospel Reflection: Mk 6:30-34

Earlier in this chapter in Mark, the disciples had received their Great Commission- baptizing, teaching, healing and casting out demons. News had spread so far and wide that even their time to eat a meal was limited. Certainly, the disciples were doing the work Jesus had sent them to do, but this was not the only thing that they needed to learn. We see that Jesus' heart is not just moved "with pity" for the crowds but with compassion for those who sought to follow, serve, and build the Kingdom of God. For in order to continue spreading the Gospel, they also would need to recognize the necessity of physical and spiritual rest.

This lesson, however, would have to wait until another day as Jesus chose to minister to those who had followed them to their place of rest. Only He knew the disciples' exhaustion and the need to gather strength and resolve. And only He truly understood the longing and hunger in the hearts of those awaiting the Good News. Therein lies the struggle and the joy in our lives as disciples.

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Religious Calendar of Events in Term 3:

Date	Details	Time
25th July	Eucharist Night	6:30 pm
2nd August	Junior Level Mass (Grades 1/2)	9:30 am
3rd August	Eucharist Commitment Mass	6 pm
4th August	Eucharist Commitment Mass	11 am
8th August	Middle Years Mass (Grades 3/4)	9:30 am
10th August	Eucharist Commitment Mass	6 pm
11th August	Eucharist Commitment Mass	11 am
14th August	Buddies Mass (Grades 5/6 and Preps)	9:30 am
28th August	Father's Day Prayer Service	3 pm
5th September	First Eucharist Practice (Grade 4)	2:45 pm
7th September	Sacrament of First Eucharist	6 pm
8th September	Sacrament of First Eucharist	11 am
14th September	Sacrament of First Eucharist	6 pm
15th September	Sacrament of First Eucharist	11 am
18th September	End of Term 3 Mass	9:30

Please note: All are welcome to our Masses. If you would like to join us in any of these celebrations, you are most welcome.



COMMUNITY NEWS

Macedon Ranges Basketball Association

MIDWEEK JUNIOR BASKETBALL *NO WEEKEND COMMITMENTS!*

SUMMER 24/25 COMPETITION

EARLY BIRD SPECIAL

JOIN US IN CELEBRATING OUR NEW HOME AT THE MACEDON RANGES SPORTS PRECINCT

REGISTER BY SUNDAY, AUGUST 18TH, TO LOCK IN 2024 RATES OF JUST \$195! (PLUS BV, BA AND PLAYHQ FEES, WHERE APPLICABLE)

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

- 16 WEEK SEASON (INCLUDING GRADING & FINALS)
- SEASON COMMENCING WEEK OF MONDAY 14TH OCTOBER
- PLAYING SINGLET PROVIDED
- NO DOOR FEES

AGE GROUPS

ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME

MONDAY
JUNIOR GIRLS 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017
INTERMEDIATE GIRLS 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013

TUESDAY
U12 BOYS 2014, 2015
U14 BOYS 2012, 2013
U16 BOYS 2010, 2011

WEDNESDAY
U10 BOYS 2016, 2017

FOR MORE INFORMATION (INCL. FINANCIAL HARSHSHIP QUERIES)
PLEASE CONTACT - DOMESTIC@MRBA.ORG.AU

Is your child interested in playing basketball this year?

Registration for the Summer Season closes Sunday 25 August

Registration is currently open for the **2024/25 Summer Junior Domestic Season**. Details have been sent via email to parents of all current Woodend Hawks players, as well as those on the wait list.

[Please check your junk mail if you can't locate this email.]

The link for registration is provided below. Any queries can be sent via email to the coordinator.

Register: www.bit.ly/WHB2024SummerRegistration
Or contact:
coordinator@woodendhawksbasketball.org.au

Summer Season: commences Saturday 12 October 2024 and runs throughout Terms 4 & 1.

Yoga for the Family

Explore yoga practices to connect with mind, body and breath including asanas (physical poses) and pranayama (breath work).

This practice will invite steadiness, confidence and mindfulness into life - a lovely way to enjoy sharing the gift of time together!

Wednesdays during term time:
4.30pm - 5.30pm

Each class costs \$30 (for two people - one primary school aged child and one carer).

This flow embraces the practice of asanas (physical poses) and pranayama (breath work) as a foundation to explore how balance, strength, flexibility and focus on the mat can help create ease and peace off the mat.

The shared time also explores how mindfulness and meditation can enhance adaptability and balance through the seasons of life.

Wednesdays during term time:
6pm - 7pm

Each class costs \$30 (for two people - one primary school aged child and one carer).



Woodend Neighbourhood House
47 Forest Street, Woodend VIC 3442

For more information, visit www.woodendnh.org.au



come find your awesome

ST AMBROSE PARISH PS TERM 3 AUSKICK CENTRE

Location: At School
Monday's 3.45-4.45pm (After School)
5 sessions beginning 19th August

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Scan QR Code to Register, or visit play.afl/auskick



COMMUNITY NEWS

Learn. Care. flourish

Enrolments Closing Soon

Enrolments for Year 7, 2026 close on 26 July, 2024
(students currently in Grade 5).

Contact the College Registrar for enrolment enquiries.

The enrolment application form, tour dates and booking information, can be accessed via the 'Enrol with Us' page of the College website.



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Dear Parents/Carers/Guardians of Year 5 students

The partnership between Parish Primary Schools and local Catholic secondary schools such as Sacred Heart College is an important one. We share the same foundations in faith and recognise parents as first educators of children.

I am writing today as you make the fundamentally important decision of which secondary school is right for your daughter or son. I am aware that there are local independent schools that are asking for early enrolment commitments to guarantee places at Year 7. Given that, it is important to note that the criteria for enrolment at Sacred Heart College (and all Catholic secondary schools in the Melbourne Archdiocese) gives priority to students who are enrolled in a Parish Primary School. Students who have received the sacraments have a higher priority, but we expect all students who submit an enrolment application by the closing date (Friday 26 July) and are enrolled at a Parish Primary School will be offered an enrolment place for Year 7 2026.

If you have any questions on this, please contact Mrs Denise Lawrence (Sacred Heart College Registrar) on 54211200 or dlawrence@shckyneton.catholic.edu.au.

Darren Egberts
Principal
Sacred Heart College



Drop in to the Woodend Community Bike Shed for basic bike maintenance and skill sharing.

Everyone is welcome!

Bring along your bike and our volunteer bike-shedders will help you get your bike in tip-top condition.

The service is completely free, though we do have a donations box if you would like to make a donation. If specific parts are required to repair your bike, we will advise you on what to buy and help you fit it at your next visit.

The Woodend Community Bike Shed is open fortnightly on Thursday evenings between 4pm and 5.30pm.

Find us in 'The Hub' (formally the Woodend Toy Library), on the corner of Forest Street and Margery Crescent (near the skate park).

 woodendnh.org.au/bike-shed



Sacred Heart College Kyneton

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

Members of the local community are invited to attend this event.

Guest Speaker: Bree Gorman

Bree Gorman is a Diversity and Inclusion consultant and educator working with organisations to create sustainable, meaningful change.



Bree meets people where they are at, providing tips, strategies and thought provoking questions to create inclusion.

This presentation offers an opportunity for a broad conversation about inclusiveness and equity.

It will also provide information to support parents when answering their children's questions around LGBTIQA+.



Scan to book

When: Tuesday 6 August

Time: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Where: Mary Moloney Theatre

Sacred Heart College, Kyneton

Tickets: This is a free event but seats must be booked via www.trybooking.com/CPTSW

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Parent Engagement Partnership

