Don't limit yourself. Many people limit themselves to what they think they can do. You can go as far as your mind lets you. What you believe, remember, you can achieve.

Mary Kay Ash

Student, Parent-Teacher Conferences!
3 way interviews are on this week. Parents, students and teachers are all working together to make learning happen. Parents have been coming to school this week to inform us about their children while teachers provide information on how students started and where they are going. Students are sharing their work, achievements and learning goals with their parents and teachers and together we are aiming to see ‘big’ differences and improvements being made in learning.

Eventually they'll get the hang of it and this will help them focus more on what they are learning. Above all stay encouraging and positive. I was at a meeting last week where research has shown that positive emotions for students will give an automatic 11% lift in learning.

Check out these photos of students sharing their learning goals and parents and teachers sharing information.

Another tip or two for improving learning is to simply read (read with them, to them or have them read to you) also have your child do real world maths; count out objects, read out numbers or solve real world problem when you’re at the shops.

If you missed a chance to meet with your child’s teacher in the 3-way interview please feel free to make an appointment for another day and time.

Swimming Stars
Yesterday our zone swimmers went off to the Regional Carnival. Congratulations to the following who competed at Zone and a big congratulations to Bronson, Zac, Jeremy, Zintori Tat and Jake who competed. Swim, swim, swim we are so proud of your efforts and talents.
Easter Hat Heroes
The Easter Hat annual event is about to hit. I am bias but Ambarvale has possibly the best ‘parade’ and community event I’ve ever experienced. The parade is on the last day of Term, **Thursday 2nd April**.
This year’s parade is based on superheroes theme... hmmm maybe Batbunny, Superrabbit or Spiderchick? There will be a prize for the best hat in every class as well as a prize for the best hat amongst the community.
Please donate eggs for our Easter raffle. All monies raised will go to our P&C, which ultimately supports our students.

**Reminder** – Parents please note that we love having you at our morning assemblies and please feel free to quietly assemble at the back or the far sides of the assembly area. As we are trying to get the day off to a settled start I ask that parents don’t stand at the front and endeavour to keep younger children as quiet as possible.

Mr Pope
PRINCIPAL

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**STAFF PROFILE**

Hi, my name is Miss Toovey and I currently teach the lovely 3/4T. I spent the first two years of my teaching career working as a casual teacher in London, England. Upon returning to Australia I was fortunate enough to land some casual work at Ambarvale Public School and I haven't looked about since. I am so thrilled to be working with such dedicated and supportive staff here at Ambarvale and am really looking forward to what the 2015 school year has to offer.

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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

March
19/03 - Harmony Day
24/03 - School Photo Day

April
02/04 - Easter Hat Parade & Last Day of Term

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**TERM 1 ASSEMBLY ROSTER**

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**SCHOOL PHOTO DAY**

School photos this year will be held next week, **Tuesday 24th March**. Information packs/envelopes were sent home with your children. Please return your envelopes by **Friday 20th March** to your classroom teacher. Family photo envelopes are also available at the front office.

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**HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENTS 2016**

Year 6 students are reminder to return their Enrolment Forms for High School placement for 2016. **These forms are now overdue and need to be returned to the office ASAP.**

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**REMINDERS**

Due to Departmental and School Policy we ask the following for safety reasons.
- No **dogs** on school grounds
- No parents/carers to use the **staff car park**
ATTENDANCE REWARD DAY

It's that time of year again when we reward our students for their attendance. To say thank you to our students’ excellent attendance we are having a movie day to celebrate. Students are able to attend if they have had:

- No more than 3 days off (please note that serious medical conditions with medical certificates will be considered)
- Have brought in a note for every day they have had off explaining their absence.

Partial absences are not included but please be aware that they may be included in future Attendance Rewards Days.

Students who have outstanding 100% attendance will be receiving a gold class pass. A gold class pass gives students 1st preference of movie and VIP treatment on the day.

Please remember that education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options.

Mrs King

STUDENT WORK

Three weeks ago I went with my Papa (Dad) to Western Sydney Regional Park (Parque). I walked on a footpath for a while then I stopped to have some comida (food). After dos horas (2 hours) I went on a Zorro volador y talar en la playa de arena!! (flying fox & fell on the sandy beach!). Later in the day I heard Spanish Music then I had a Fiesta (party) with my papa (dad) and a kind caballero (gentleman). I also met a perro (dog) and went on a run with it. Best and last of all I learned more Spanish, and my papa was Muy fieliz (very happy) and orgulloso (proud of me) because of feliz I could communicate with the Spanish caballero (gentleman).

By Karthik Sunder Raj

PLAYGROUP

Get yourself down to our Playgroup on Monday mornings with Ms Wendy and crew. Have a blast, meet other parents, give your child a head start in learning and prepare your child for ‘big’ school.

Harmony Day

We will be celebrating Harmony Day at Ambarvale Public School on Thursday the 19th of March. There will be a very entertaining assembly under the COLA at 12pm where many of our students will be performing or speaking around the theme of Harmony.

I would like to extend an invitation to all family and community members to come and help us celebrate. Our students have spent a lot of time preparing to make it a very special celebration. As a part of the celebrations, students are encouraged to come dressed either in orange (official Harmony Day colour) or in clothing representing a culture. Please bring a gold coin.

Kind regards,
Tina Yewen