

S.A.S. Connections

February 18, 2009



Dear Parents and Students of St. Ambrose School,

We do hope everyone had a relaxing three-day weekend.

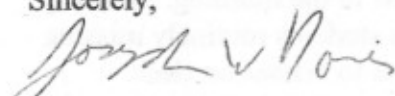
It is a quiet week here at school. Quiet is a good thing. ☺ It is during the times of stillness that students can best focus their minds on the things they need to learn. We are so proud of their accomplishments. A simple metric parents and teachers can use to measure student progress is to keep samples of your children's work from the beginning, middle, and end of the year. (This is generally called an academic portfolio.) Follow how student writing, vocabulary, grammar, and spelling improve. Note how math is progressing in complexity. Seeing a tangible record of progress is always reassuring. Children do grow cognitively and academically at rapid paces.

Please stop by and visit our lost and found box in the gym foyer. You would be amazed at how many winter coats we have. If your child is missing anything please stop by and look.

Our third annual Casino Knight is this Friday night on February the 20th. I look forward to seeing everyone there.

Please remember that Lent begins next week on February the 25th with Ash Wednesday. On behalf of the teachers and staff members of St. Ambrose, I wish everyone a blessed week.

Sincerely,



Joseph W. Norris

Principal of St. Ambrose School

(Please Turn Over For Important Notices ☺→)

Important School and Community News and Notes

Ash Wednesday – February 25th

Parents please call or visit the school office to obtain your bus form for the 2009-2010 school year. This is very important for parents to assure that their child(ren) has an available bus and route. The Old Bridge transportation Department is very strict about these forms being in on time. The school cannot tell the township what to do, so YOU MUST BE PROMPT.



Upcoming Protecting God's Children Video:

Tuesday Evening, March 3 – 7 PM to 10 PM Parish Room

To Join: Register Online at www.diometuchen.org

Click on Protecting God's Children link on lower right hand side to sign up.



2nd Tuition Payment Due

Parents who have chosen the two-tuition payment plan, please remember that your second and final payment is now due. Please call Mrs. Crocco if you have any questions or special needs.

Uniform Reminder: Parents please consult the Student Handbook regarding school uniforms.

Make-up is never to be worn to school, even on dress down days.

Boys must always wear a belt with their winter uniform

Girl's skirts must always be modest and long enough

Morning Drop Off Time Reminder:

- 1) Please be safe
- 2) Drive slowly
- 3) Obey and respect the parent volunteers who direct the morning traffic

Parents, remember that students are to be dropped off prior to 7:45 AM in the morning. Morning assembly begins at 7:45 every morning and it seems we have the same students routinely missing Morning Prayer and Pledge to the Flag. Please try to get your children to school on time.

Parents do not drive through the cones or speed in the morning. Being late is not worth threatening the safety of the children. Also, please be respectful to the parent volunteers that direct traffic. They are good parents who keep safety first, second, and last.