

# Weekly Newsletter

WEDNESDAY 4 SEPTEMBER 2019 | WEEK 7, TERM 3

## Father's Day Breakfast



We enjoyed our annual Father's Day Breakfast last Friday 30 August, in the Barrie Holmes Stadium.

This breakfast was an opportunity to celebrate the gifts that Fathers, Grandfathers, Uncles and significant male role models offer young lives. Thank you to the many families who supported the event – a great way to start the day and lead into our Father's Day weekend.

Approximately 360 egg and bacon rolls were served across the hour, as well as hundreds of cups of juice, tea and coffee!

Enormous thanks to the Catholic Identity and Mission team, Sugarloaf Café, Grounds staff, Public Relations team and Staff who came along to help.

**Michelle Coote** | APRIM – Assistant Principal Religious Identity and Mission



## From The Principal

### Transforming 'The Pines' – Starting from Week 10, Term 3

To commence our College building program and fulfilling our Master Plan we will be transforming the Year 8/9 classroom area, known as 'The Pines', from a zone of 6 classrooms to a location that will house:

- Poplars
- 12 classrooms
- Staff preparation area
- Breakout spaces
- Student and staff toilets
- Wonderful grounds, with increased play and quiet spaces, that accentuate our ecological commitment.

We are aiming to have this new area ready for 28 January 2020.

Civil works for the new Pines Precinct has commenced today, Wednesday. This will impact on the parking for some senior school students so permission has been granted to those affected to share the car park between the Pines and Thomas Ryan building. We will not know just how many car parks will be affected until the area has been fenced off but it is expected that all car parks will now be at capacity during the day. Marist Park Carpark will reopen tomorrow, please exercise caution in wet weather.

To assist this preparation we will also be asking that at the end of week 9 classes shift from the current Pines classrooms, so transportable removalists and builders can start on the site in week 10. There will be some classroom challenges and parking challenges for week 10 and first couple of weeks of term 4, however I ask our community to offer their support as much as they are able - it will all be worth it!



## From The Principal *continued...*

### Care for Creation and Staff Reflection Day

I am delighted that the focus of the Staff Reflection Day on Friday 6 September 2019 will be the way we are called to action for all of creation through Pope Francis' Laudato si, and how we can connect with our common home in ways that enliven our school, local and global community. The day will be a student free day and the OSHC will be open that day.

### National Child Protection Week

Kicking off on Fathers' Day, Sunday 1 September, National Child Protection Week is a wonderful opportunity for everyone in the community to think about how we can work together to keep all children and young people safe.

NAPCAN (National Association for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect) was co-founded in 1987 by Rosemary Sinclair AO and Christine Stewart OAM. Since then, NAPCAN has made a significant contribution to the safety and wellbeing of Australia's children and young people by raising public awareness of child abuse and neglect and its impacts, and by developing and promoting effective prevention strategies and programs.

NAPCAN was originally founded to:

- Open up lines of communication between the different government departments, agencies, professionals and community groups working in the child protection field,
- Create a national focus on the prevention of the abuse and neglect of children, and
- Be the leader in the area of prevention of child abuse and neglect, promoting good parenting and nurturing children through education.

Importantly, during Child Protection Week we are reminded that:

- We all have a part to play in protecting all children.
- Even small actions can help to improve a child's future.
- By building stronger communities, we are creating safer environments for our children.

### Child Protection Sunday

The Catholic Church acknowledges Child Protection Sunday next week and offers the following prayer to ask for assistance during this time.

*Gracious God you said let the children come to me.  
The hurt felt by those wounded by abuse weighs heavily upon us.  
Often trust has been eroded when institutions failed to  
appropriately respond to their needs.  
Lord, as your Church stand in need of your healing and help.  
We ask you God to strengthen and guide all in our Catholic communities.  
Grant us wisdom in our time to make decisions that  
protect children and the vulnerable.  
May our families and communities, through love, generosity, commitment  
and patience build stronger communities safe for children.  
Let your grace and love fall gently upon our children giving them the inner  
strength, peace and resilience they will need for their life's journey.  
We ask you God to help our Catholic communities to be resolute in building a  
community where our children both flourish and are safe.  
Amen*

### Carpark Care

I remind families to drive at no more than 15km/h while on the College grounds – especially during these days of challenging weather conditions. I also ask that Parents accompany young Students to and from the Council property adjacent to the College's Shepherdson Road entrance, across the poplars lined driveway. I ask this in an attempt to prevent any potential accidents, which could occur to inexperienced and enthusiastic children, who make their own way from the College grounds to cars parked on the Council property.

### Reception Enrolments 2020

I advise Parents and Caregivers that interviews are well under way for all 2020 Reception Enrolments. We invite Parents and/or Caregivers to schedule an interview time with Mrs Jill Rogers, Head of Junior School to formalise their child's enrolment for 2020. If you have a child who is due to start school in 2020, but have not received a letter, please contact the College Registrar Tracey Davey on 8725 5455 and she will help you organise this.

### Parish Planned Giving Rebate

A reminder to families that Parents contributing to the Parish Planned Giving may claim a rebate from Tuition Fees of 50% of their contribution up to a maximum claim of \$750. Official Parish receipts can be presented to the College's Finance Department now for the deduction to be made.

God Bless,

David Mezinac | Principal



## From the Assistant Principal Student and Staff Development

### Staff Reflection Day

In June 2015, Pope Francis wrote a letter to the world about caring for the earth, our common home. It was called Laudato Si. Later that year, he declared 1 September to be a World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. This annual day of prayer reminds us that God has entrusted creation to our care.

Pope Francis wrote Laudato Si, so that we as Christians contribute to resolving the ecological crisis which humanity is presently experiencing. "The ecological crisis thus summons us to a profound spiritual conversion: Christians are called to "an ecological conversion whereby the effects of their encounter with Jesus Christ become evident in their relationship with the world around them" (Laudato Si, 217). For 'living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue.' (ibid)

Our College community is increasingly committing itself to a systemic and planned approach to caring for creation. Such approach is complementing the effort of individual students, staff and parents who are dedicated to ecological sustainability.

This is the theme for our Staff Reflection Day this Friday. We will gather at the Main Corner where we will have the privilege of listening to our keynote speaker for the day Sue Martin, Director of Catholic Earth Care.

Jennie Sanderson | Assistant Principal – Student and Staff Development



## CIM Team News

### Catholic Earthcare Visit

This Thursday 5 September, the Parish will be hosting a talk from Sue Martin from Catholic Earthcare. The talk will take place in the Gathering Space of St Paul's Church at 7:00pm. Sue will discuss the Catholic call to care for creation and recent messages from Pope Francis in this space. She will also share stories from other Parishes and offer ideas of things we could be doing. All families are encouraged to attend.

### Parish Mass

A Mount Gambier Catholic Community Parish Mass is held each Thursday of the Term and is led by a different class or year level each week. Mass is held at 9:00am in the College Chapel and all parents, grandparents and friends are welcome to attend.

### The roster for Term 3 Masses is as follows:

<b>Week 7</b>	Year 7
<b>Week 8</b>	Year 4/5
<b>Week 9</b>	Year 9
<b>Week 10</b>	Year 10

Michelle Coote | APRIM – Assistant Principal Religious Identity and Mission



## Are you an Old Scholar?

Old scholars are an integral part of the history, tradition and future of Tenison Woods College.

Join us for reunions, seminars and other activities to maintain an association with Tenison Woods College and to reconnect with former friends.

Keep up to date with all the news in the College community.

Register your details today, via our [website](#).



## eSmart Week

This week is 'eSmart week' - promoting the smart, safe and responsible use of digital technology. Tenison Woods College has recently become an accredited eSmart school. To gain accreditation, the College's ICT policies were updated, along with digital scope and sequences.

eSmart provides management tools to deal with bullying and cyber issues so that Students feel safer and more supported. It also helps schools to embrace the benefits of technology while reducing Students' exposure to cyber risks, such as cyber bullying, online sexual predation, sexting, identity theft and fraud. Please see <https://www.esmart.org.au/esmart-schools/what-is-esmart-schools/> for more information.

This week, Students have been provided some additional cyber safety tips. On our College home page, there is plenty of information to support your child to be cyber safe:

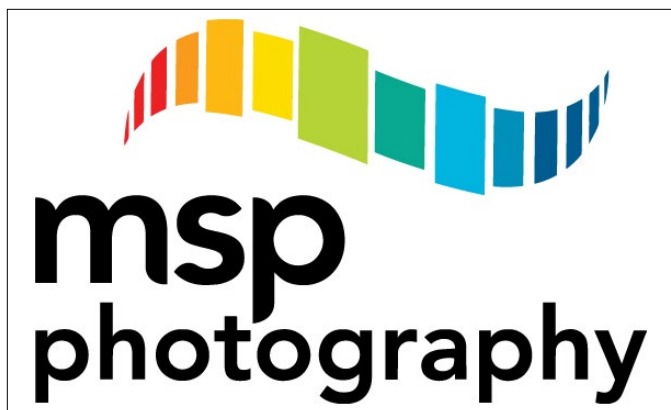
<http://www.tenison.catholic.edu.au/portaltwc/categories/general-tips/be-cybersmart-online-safety-information-for-parents-and-students>

Further work in this space will be launched in Term 4 in partnership with 'Family Zone', which will provide additional support for families, Students and Staff with a view to securing personal devices of students.

<https://www.familyzone.com/tenison>

### ICT Team

**Tania Sigley** | Director of Wellbeing



## School Photos 17 & 18 September

School photos are being held on Tuesday 17 and Wednesday 18 September (Week 9).

Photo envelopes have been sent home with your child. The envelope contains your child's unique shoot key. Reception to Year 7 Students; please return your photo forms to your classroom teacher. Years 8 to 12 Students will need to bring their photo forms on the day.

Students in Years 8 to 12 will only have their individual photos taken, regardless of whether they are ordering.

Family Photo envelopes need to be collected from the front office and returned no later than Wednesday 11 September. This will ensure your family has been allocated a timeslot, which will be emailed out to you.

**Please note:** Full winter uniform is required for all students (including jumper). Students must have their hair tied back. Classes that are normally scheduled to wear their PE uniform on this day will need to alter this to wear winter uniform. If you have any queries, please phone the College on (08) 8725 5455.

**Jessica Herring** | Public Relations, Marketing and Events Manager



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## Music Showcase 2019

Join us as we indulge in exciting performances from an exceptional line up of the College's experienced music students. It will be a great evening of entertainment for families and students.

Featuring the Concert Choir, Senior Vocal Ensemble, Thunder Drum Corps, Rock Bands, Concert Band, Big Band, Woodwind Ensemble, and Brass Ensemble.

Doors will open at 6:00pm for a 6:30pm start.

Tickets will be on sale until Friday 13 September available at: <http://www.ticketebo.com.au/showcase2019>

Please note: There will be no tickets available at the door due to catering purposes.

**Lucy Rossi** | Performing Arts Administration



## Science and Engineering Challenge

Last week, 23 Students from Years 8, 9 and 10 travelled to Adelaide to take part in the State Final of the Newcastle University Science and Engineering Challenge. This is the first time that the College has made the State Finals in recent memory.

The Students were a little intimidated when it was discovered that the majority of the other teams from across the State were made up solely of Year 10 Students. However, to their credit, they carried themselves well throughout the competition.

Our eight sub-teams were randomly allocated tasks such as:

- bridge-building;
- code-making;
- optimising power grids; and
- making an earthquake-resistant tower.

These challenges earned points for the school.

Cummins Area School were the State victors and will go on to the National Final in Bunbury, Western

Australia. Tenison Woods College finished in 8th place. Students learned a lot, and the younger team members will take their experience with them for future competitions.

**Jason de Nys** | Science Learning Area Coordinator



## Limestone Coast Choral and Vocal Showcase

Tenison Woods College is very proud of its choirs and individual Students who competed in last week's Limestone Coast Choral and Vocal Showcase. Our Students represented themselves with distinction and their results are a credit to their hard work and the support of their teachers.

Please see the College online news for the full list of winners - <http://www.tenison.catholic.edu.au/newsroom-events/news?newsitem=44780508>

**Beth Creedy** | Head of Music



## High Profile Author to Visit for the 2019 Australian Reading Hour

We are incredibly excited to announce that highly acclaimed and award-winning author Sally Rippin will be spending the day at Tenison Woods College for our 2019 Australian Reading Hour event on Thursday 19 September.

The national initiative encourages all Australians to devote an hour of their time to reading. At Tenison Woods College, the Junior School will participate in the Reading Hour from 9:00am-10:00am before having the opportunity to meet Australia's highest selling female author.

Sally is well known for her 'Hey Jack' and 'Billie B Brown' series (amongst other popular titles) and is a passionate ambassador for reading and literacy. During her visit, Sally will present sessions for Reception to Year 2 and Years 3 to 5 Students. She will visit classrooms and meet our young people.

We look forward to sharing further details in the lead up to this event and are extremely excited about this wonderful opportunity for our Students.

A word from Sally...*"Reading is a vital component in developing empathy and fostering compassion in young people. I am delighted to be involved in the Australian Reading Hour for 2019. I never tire of the thrill of listening to children talk about why they love a particular book or character. I love writing and sharing stories. My hope has always been that my readers will see themselves in my stories and understand that no matter how confusing or frightening the world may seem at times, kindness, friendship and integrity always win out in the end."*

**Katie Window** | EY – Year 5 Key Literacy Teacher



## Term 3 SAPSASA News

Term 3 has seen many College Students either selected or currently trialling for SAPSASA sports.

### Basketball

These are school-based teams and we have been very successful with our boys and girls teams. The first stage of this was a District day held earlier in the term where we played other teams from the Mount Gambier region. We went through undefeated on this day which qualified us for the Regional day held 2 weeks ago. At this day, both teams also went through undefeated which qualified us for the State finals being held in Adelaide on Wednesday 18 September. We wish the following Students all the best as they compete for a State title:

<b>Girls Team</b>	Indiana L Ambah B Chelsea R Bayley B Cara N	<b>Boys Team</b>	Teangi S Addison N Isaac B Jonty C Sam D Deacon I Max P
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### Soccer

For the first half of this term students have been trialling to get into the Lower South East soccer teams. Teams have now been chosen and will compete in the State carnival in Adelaide next week, 9 to 13 September. The Boys team will be coached by Scott Dickson and we wish all Tenison Students the best.

<b>Girls Team</b>	<b>Boys Team</b>	Kade T Finn D Hugo P Kobe C Jacob S
Isla D Sophie W Isabella M Ruby B	Richard K Jack L George R Fergus K	

### Cricket / Tennis

Trials for both sports are being held this week. Tryouts for Tennis were held on Monday 2 September and Cricket trials will be held this Thursday 5 September. If any Year 6/7 Students missed out on a nomination form for these sports, please collect one from Tori McIntyre in the PE office as soon as possible. Once the Lower South East teams have been selected, they will compete in State Finals in Adelaide from 4 to 7 November.

**Grant Lean** | R-12 HPE Coordinator, R-7 Sport Coordinator



## Recipe of the Week Street Vendor Noodles

Please find the recipe [here](#).

**Jen McCourt** | Hospitality Teacher



## Scholastic Book Fair 2019

The Scholastic Book Fair for 2019 has arrived and will stay until Tuesday 10 September (closed on Friday 6 September due to the Staff Reflection Day.) The Book Fair will be located in the Tenison Woods College Staff Room from 3:20pm - 3:40pm each day. Every purchase earns learning and literacy resources for Tenison Woods College.



## SAPSASA Cricket Tryouts

The first SAPSASA Cricket Tryout is on this Thursday 5 September at Mount Gambier High School. If your child is in Year 6/7 the nomination forms have been sent out via email, please return ASAP. Times will be advertised once all of the nominations in.

**Sharon Adams** | Administration



## Soul Arts Convention Workshops

There are a series of workshops being held this weekend 7-8 September by the Soul Arts Convention in Mount Gambier which are open to any interested students.

These workshops are in Song-writing, Dance and Dance Makeup. There is also a choreography competition available to enter. You do not need to have any previous experience to take part. Interested students can contact the numbers on the poster for bookings/information.

View the poster on the College Community Noticeboard.

**Jodi Swiggs** | Phoenix Music Studios Director



## 8/9 Boys Football State Final

Our Year 8/9 Boys Football Team competed in the State Final in Adelaide last week in a heart-stopping game.

The Titans took on the big-bodied Clare High School in what was the closest match of the day. Tenison Woods College were very unfortunate to go down 6.4.40 to 6.5.41, leaving Clare to claim the State Title by a single point! Both schools have had a very strong history in the competition, with Tenison Woods College claiming the title for the previous 4 years in a row.

We congratulate the boys on their amazing efforts throughout the competition, and applaud them on coming runners up. Go Titans!

**Tori McIntyre** | Sports Administration Trainee



## Easy to read novels WANTED for young teenagers

If you have any novels that are suitable for young teenagers and excess to your needs, there are 84 students at San Francisco Xavier College, Hatolia, Timor-Leste who would love to read them.

Please drop them off to Mrs Fisher before the end of term and they will be delivered in the October holidays.

**Bernadette Fisher** | Immersion Organiser



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## Hospitality Uniforms Wanted for Resale

Students who are looking to sell their pre-loved Academy of Hospitality uniforms are welcome to hand them in for resale to current Students for half the purchase price.

Please place clean, folded uniforms in a plastic bag and hand to Jen McCourt, or leave with Tanya Thomson at the Senior School office to be placed in Mrs McCourt's pigeonhole. Remember to place your name and contact details on a piece of paper inside the bag.

**Jen McCourt** | Hospitality Teacher

**REMINDER**  
Student Free Day  
**THIS FRIDAY 6 SEPTEMBER**



## Shining Light Awards Recipient - Tom Kosch

### Introducing one of this year's Shining Light Recipients: Tom Kosch

Tom was born in 1988 in Hamilton, Victoria. His Mother, Leanne a Nurse and Father Evan, working in the Lands Department, left their jobs and moved Tom and his two siblings, Michael and Lucy to Mount Gambier in 1989. Evan and Leanne took over the Commodore Motel.

In 1994, Tom began his schooling at St Paul's School, quickly discovering a fondness for sport. He became involved with many school competitions, played local club football for South Gambier and even made the player roster for the Mount Gambier Pioneers Basketball Club. In 2000, Tom moved to the newly formed Tenison Woods College, as part of the merger of St Paul's and Tenison College.

In 1998, while he was in Year 4, Tom's Mum, Leanne was diagnosed with Breast Cancer. In 2001, Leanne succumbed to the disease. Evan, Tom and the family found support from the College and the wider community.

In 2006, Tom completed Year 12. Soon after, Tom began assisting in the family business. He found that he had an interest in the hospitality industry and his father Evan eventually saw this as an opportunity to take a step back and give Tom the chance at managing the business. These days, Tom's business interests include the Commodore on the Park, the Comfort Inn Silver Birch and Delgattie Estate.

Tom's passion for sport and the community has seen him on the board of the Mount Gambier Pioneers Basketball Club since 2010; he is currently President. In 2016 he was a member of the inaugural board for Tourism Mount Gambier. He is a supporter of the Lifechanger Foundation and with the close impact Breast Cancer has had on his family, Tom and the Commodore on the Park began the Breast Cancer luncheon – which has now evolved to the very popular Cocktail Party.

Tom and the Commodore on the Park have received numerous hospitality and tourism awards and the business is recognised by the AAA as a Venue of Excellence. In 2018, Tom was celebrated at the Mount Gambier Chamber of Commerce Outstanding Business Awards as the "Young Business Person of the Year".

Today, Tom continues to pursue his interest in hospitality and promote Mount Gambier as an excellent tourism destination, while dedicating more time to the ongoing success of the Pioneers Basketball Club.

**Tickets ON SALE now! Purchase via at [Ticketebo.com.au](http://Ticketebo.com.au) by searching Shining Light Awards.**

Our 2019 Shining Light Award Night is on Saturday 26 October at Commodore on the Park!

This year we are recognising the following recipients:

- Tom Kosch
- Pam (deceased) and Brian (deceased) O'Connor
- Hopper and Bob (deceased) Gabriel
- Ken Green

Congratulations to these Old Scholars and College Community Members who will be celebrated in October.

To find out what the Shining Light Awards are all about, visit our website: <http://www.tenison.catholic.edu.au/community/old-scholars>



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## Upcoming Events:

### Thursday 5 September

- 9:15am - 11:30am - SAPSASA Cricket Tryouts, Mount Gambier High School
- 9:30am - 11:00am - ELCC Open Morning
- 1:30pm - 3:15pm - Music Is Fun Concert, Barrie Holmes Stadium
- 4:00pm - 8:00pm - R-12 Parent Teacher Interviews

### Friday 6 September

- STUDENT FREE DAY
- Staff Reflection Day

### Saturday 7 September

- 6:00pm - Mass, St Pauls Church

### Sunday 8 September

- 11:00am - Family Mass, St Pauls Church

### Monday 9 September

- SAPSASA Soccer/Hockey Carnivals, Adelaide

### Tuesday 10 September

- SAPSASA Soccer/Hockey Carnivals, Adelaide

### Wednesday 11 September

- SAPSASA Soccer/Hockey Carnivals, Adelaide
- 11:50am - Middle & Senior Poplars Ten Pin Bowling, Kaboom Entertainment
- 12:00pm - Junior HPSP Jetts Fitness Session, Jetts Fitness Centre
- 1:50pm - Senior HPSP Jetts Fitness Session, Jetts Fitness Centre

## Canteen Roster - Week 8, Term 3

For those rostered to work in the canteen, your starting time is 10:00am and your finishing time is 2:00pm. If you have any questions, please contact the Canteen Manager, Leanne Sandow. Thank you for your assistance.

**Monday** - Kate Pohlner

**Tuesday** - Lyn Wilson

**Wednesday** - Kim Rossouw

**Thursday** - Renee Szapory

**Friday** - Kate Pohlner

Lunch order bags can only be used once, they are not reusable.

## Uniform Shop

### Regular Opening Hours:

**Tuesday:** 8:00am - 12:00pm

**Thursday:** 1:00pm - 5:00pm

A reminder that Students are required to wear their Winter Uniforms for Term 3.

### Contact Us:

E: [thecollegeshop@tenison.catholic.edu.au](mailto:thecollegeshop@tenison.catholic.edu.au)

T: (08) 8724 4637

## New Hair Accessories at Uniform Shop

Navy hair accessories are now available in the uniform shop including; ribbons, bows, clips & scrunchies. Costs are between \$2 - \$5.



Community  
Noticeboard



See the Community Noticeboard for posters and notices of upcoming events within our College, and wider community.

Please click [here](#) to view this page.

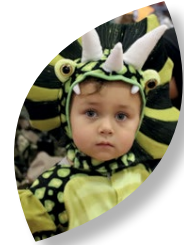
TOMORROW

# OPEN MORNING

THURSDAY 5 SEPTEMBER 9:30AM - 11:00AM

Discover the difference at the Early Learning and Community Centre.

DISCOVER.



LEARN.



SHINE.

At Tenison Woods College, our Early Learning and Community Centre opens up a world of experiences where children aged from three years old can grow and develop with confidence.

To guide you through this process and answer your questions, we warmly invite you to come along to our upcoming Open Morning.



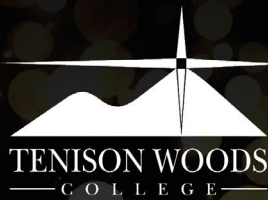
early learning & community centre

discover. learn. shine.



TENISON WOODS COLLEGE Early Learning - Year 12 Co-Educational Catholic College  
Corner of Shepherdson Road & White Avenue, Mount Gambier | P: (08) 8725 5455  
E: info@tenison.catholic.edu.au | www.tenison.catholic.edu.au





TENISON WOODS  
COLLEGE  
*presents*

# 2019 Shining Light Awards

SATURDAY 26 OCTOBER | 6:30pm | COMMODORE ON THE PARK, MOUNT GAMBIER

**Tickets \$70**

**Includes a 3-Course Meal & complimentary drink on arrival**

Tickets available online:  
[ticketebo.com.au/shininglight](http://ticketebo.com.au/shininglight)

Supported by  **Commodore**  
on the park

Past and present Staff, Students, families and friends of the Tenison Woods College Community are welcome to be a part of this significant annual event.

Catch up with old friends and colleagues and hear the inspirational stories of past scholars and leaders.

Entertainment throughout the night and memorabilia on display.

**Guests are welcome to attend a BBQ lunch and College tour on Sunday 27 October, following Mass at St Paul's .**

(Bookings essential) Please contact Jess Herring, PR & Events Manager at Tenison Woods College. Email: [herrj@tenison.catholic.edu.au](mailto:herrj@tenison.catholic.edu.au) or Phone 8725 5455

## 2019 Shining Light Recipients

The Shining Light Awards recognise significant contributions made by former students, families or staff to the local and global community. This year, we will be celebrating and rewarding the following influential members of our community.

*Tom*  
**KOSCH**



St Paul's / Tenison  
Woods College  
1994 - 2006

*Pam (DEC) and Brian (DEC)*  
**O'CONNOR**



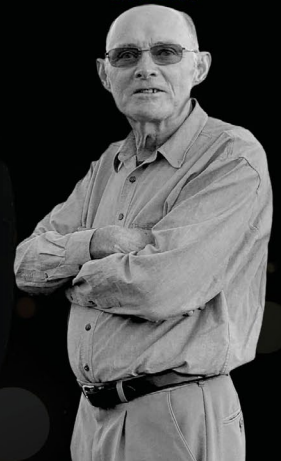
College Community  
Involvement  
1933 - 1994

*Hopper and Bob (DEC)*  
**GABRIEL**



College Community  
Involvement  
1942 - 1984

*Ken*  
**GREEN**



Marist Brothers  
College  
1964 - 1968