

Weekly Newsletter

WEDNESDAY 27 May 2020 | WEEK 5, TERM 2

Student Free Days: Thursday 4 and Friday 5 June (Week 6)

National Simultaneous Storytime Celebrated Across the College



National Simultaneous Storytime

I was delighted that we were able to be part of National Simultaneous Storytime. I also had a lot of fun reading to Ms Nikki Bishop's Year 5 class.

It is wonderful that National Simultaneous Storytime originated in Australia as a national event that is now internationally recognised. Tenison Woods College has participated since 2008 to promote literacy and a love of reading, and the campaign now has over one million participants each year and growing!

Thank you to the Library Team, who were excited about the College community calling through today to visit their own "Club Sparkles" full of divas and fun.

To read about how the College celebrated the day, refer to page 3

David Mezinec | Principal



From The Principal

National Reconciliation Week - Grounded in Truth, Walk Together with Courage

Beginning yesterday, 26 May, National Sorry Day, through to 3 June members of faith communities across Australia are encouraged to offer prayers for reconciliation between Indigenous and other Australians. This year's theme for National Reconciliation Week is: *In this together 2020*.

Students at Tenison Woods College will be invited to pray during this week for the unity and dignity of all peoples in Australia; accentuating that Reconciliation Week invites us all to acknowledge our history, celebrate our common story and build a resilient future as a diverse but unified Australia.

The New Gilap Wanga Learning Centre

A place of LISTENING and LEARNING with RESPECT of self, community, country and place. By accepting this Aboriginal gift, we can all grow together.

The Gilap Wanga Logo - The Boandik Craitbul Story

Thanks to the efforts of Matthew Brookes and Jess Herring, our College community has a contemporary logo for the Gilap Wanga Learning Community. The logo honours the Boandik story with a contemporary, hope filled aspiration for the future.

The Craitbul Story tells of the giant ancestor of the Boandik People who long ago made an oven at Mount Muirhead to cook for his wife and family.

In hearing the groaning voice of the bird spirit "Bullin" warning them of the evil spirit "Tennateona", they fled to another site where they built another oven (Mount Schank). Again they were frightened off by the threat of the evil spirit and moved to "Berrin" where they again made their oven (Mount Gambier).

One day, water rose and the fire went out. They dug other ovens, but each time water rose putting out the fires. This occurred four times (the Valley Lake, Blue Lake, Browne's Lake and Leg of Mutton Lake).

Finally Craitbul and his family settled in a cave on the side of "Berrin's" Peak.



From The Principal *continued...*

Our Gilap Wanga logo tells the story of our Boandik sisters and brothers who lived in harmony with deep listening to the land, the coast and the sea. The logo also tells the story of Craibul and his journey from Mount Muirhead to Mount Schank and then to the Mount Gambier Crater Lakes including the Blue Lake.

The boomerang on the logo indicates the many generations and long history of the Boandik people in the region. The oldest boomerang found in Australia was found in this region on Boandik Mraat (Country) and is over 10,000 years old.

Years 7-9 from 2021 – Listening, Learning and Respect

A new beginning for Tenison Woods College – it starts in 2021.

As of 2021 our major intake of students to the secondary setting as part of our new Middle School of Tenison Woods College will be in Year 7. Our Middle School will consist of students in Years 7-9.

Years 7-9 at Tenison Woods College will look different, feel different and be different. It will be a space and place of listening and learning with respect of self, community, country and place.

Mass of Instalment Archbishop of Adelaide, Most Rev Patrick O'Regan DD

We enjoyed with gratitude the Mass of Instalment of the new Archbishop of Adelaide, Most Rev Patrick O'Regan DD, in St Francis Xavier Cathedral on Monday 25 May. (Pictured right).



Staff Professional Development Days – 4 and 5 June

Staff are looking forward to the staff Professional Development days on Thursday 4 and Friday 5 June, when they will devote time to the SEQTA Learning Management system, Years 7-9 Gilap Wanga Planning and LBI Resilient IMPACT Training. From the learnings staff will gain from these days, I trust students and families will experience the benefits of our ongoing service. I remind families that these days are student-free days.

HHDL Four Point Plan

I reiterate that we will be continuing deliberately and carefully with our HHDL Strategy in Term 2. I thank you for your attention to HHDL Four Point Plan; good **H**ealth, good **H**ygien e and hand washing, good **D**istancing and care for others and good **L**earning regardless of student location. During Term 2, the health and wellbeing of students, families and staff remain our priority. We will continue to ensure that our school is a safe environment with additional cleaning measures in place.

Connect@Tenison

Thank you for your commitment to the start of term. Overall students in the community were learning in the following way this week in the R-12 part of our school community:

- Students learning from school - 90 %
- Students learning from home - 1 %
- Unexplained / family / illness - 9 %

Student numbers in the ELCC are at their usual level, while the OSHC attendance levels are tracking at about half of the usual levels.

Fee Remission

Amongst all the worries that we have at this time – worrying about the payment of school fees should not be one of those things. Please be assured of our support for your family. If your family has lost significant income due to COVID-19 and there may be a need to freeze your payments, please contact Neal Turley, our Business Manager, who will assist you during this time. This can occur very easily for those families in need.

Parish Planned Giving Rebate

I remind 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 are to be presented to the Finance Department after the 30 June 2020 for a deduction to be made.

God Bless,

David Mezin ec | Principal



From the Assistant Principal Student and Staff Development

Gradually restrictions are being lifted and life, for many, is taking on a semblance of normality. Currently most of our students are attending school and those that are not able to attend have negotiated learning options with their teachers. Effective from next week (Week 6) teachers will no longer be logging on to TEAMS during their lessons and lessons will only be conducted face to face. If a student is ill and wishes to work from home, they are able to log in to their SEQTA Learn account and access their lessons from there. Parents are also able to see the tasks students are set through their SEQTA Engage account.

Generally, the reaction from students regarding their use of SEQTA have been very positive. They like the fact they can see what is coming up in their lessons and also the fact that they get notifications when their marks have been uploaded. One student told me he is more organised now because he uses the "Today" button and knows where he should be which is easier than the previous system. I hope parents are finding it easier too.

Jennie Sanderson | Assistant Principal Student and Staff Development



CIM Team News

Reconciliation Week

Our theme for #NRW2020 – In this together – is now resonating in ways we could not have foreseen when we announced it last year, but it reminds us whether in a crisis or in reconciliation we are all #InThisTogether. In 2020 Reconciliation Australia marks twenty years of shaping Australia's journey towards a more just, equitable and reconciled nation. 2020 also marks the twentieth anniversary of the reconciliation walks of 2000, when people came together to walk on bridges and roads across the nation and show their support for a more reconciled Australia.

Reconciliation Prayer

Holy Father, God of Love,
You are the Creator of this land and all good things.

We acknowledge the pain and shame of our history
and the sufferings of Our peoples,
and we ask your forgiveness.
We thank you for the survival of Indigenous cultures

Our hope is in you because you gave your Son Jesus
to reconcile the world to you.

We pray for your strength and grace to forgive,
accept and love one another, as you love us
and forgive and accept us in the sacrifice of your Son.

Give us the courage to accept the realities of our history
so that we may build a better future for our Nation.

Teach us to respect all cultures.
Teach us to care for our land and waters.

Help us to share justly the resources of this land.
Help us to bring about spiritual and social change
to improve the quality of life for all groups
in our communities, especially the disadvantaged.
Help young people to find true dignity and self-esteem by your Spirit.

May your power and love be the foundations
on which we build our families,
our communities and our Nation,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Wontulp-Bi-Buya Indigenous Theology Working Group, 13 March 1997, Brisbane

Pentecost

This weekend the Church will celebrate the end of the Easter season with the Feast of Pentecost.

Pentecost marks the beginning of the Church when the Holy Spirit 'came down upon' the apostles giving them the power to begin their mission to spread the Good News and to make disciples of people in every nation. This began a new way of God being 'with us' as disciples, to celebrate the hope and joy of the empty tomb in our every day lives and to share that hope and joy with others.

Welcome to Archbishop Patrick O'Regan

On Monday we installed Archbishop Patrick O'Regan as the Archbishop of the Adelaide Diocese – of which our region is a part. The recording of the mass from St Francis Xavier's Cathedral can be viewed on the website of the Archdiocese of Adelaide www.adelaide.catholic.org.au.

Masses reopen in our regional Churches

Beginning this week in the Churches around our region there will be masses during the week and on the weekends. Please contact your local parish office or bulletin for mass times and how to register for each mass to ensure that numbers are kept to a maximum of 10. Masses in schools are now allowed for 1 class at a time. This week the mass will be attended by 1 group of Year 9's. There is no mass at Tenison Woods College next week due to the Pupil Free Days.

Michelle Coote | Assistant Principal Religious Identity and Mission

Friends of Music Pie Drive

The "Friends of Music" committee is an energetic group of local community members and parents of Tenison Woods College students.

They are conducting a Pie Drive fundraiser which raises money for the music faculty. The funds raised help support the hire of buses, purchase new music equipment and anything that can assist or encourage the music students in the College.

An order form has been sent home with all students who participate in music, but the fundraiser is open to anyone who would like to purchase pies.

Please check your child's school bag for an order form which needs to be returned to the College by **Tuesday, 9 June**.

You can also download the order form [here](#).

Beth Creedy | Head of Music

Storytime Fun in the Library

Today we celebrated National Simultaneous Storytime a little differently but we still had a huge amount of fun! Early learning to Year 5 celebrated by watching one of many online versions being read by well-known celebrities like Emma Watkins from the Wiggles, Chef Stephanie Alexander or actress and comedian Denise Scott on Play School.

However, we were fortunate in the library to have Principal "David Rooster McDazzle" visit "Club Sparkles" and read "Whitney and Britney, Chicken Diva's" by Lucinda Gifford to Year 5NB! He razzled, he dazzled, sang, danced and read! It was a lot of fun and very entertaining for students and staff alike! All library staff thoroughly agreed what a fantastic event it was!

The winners of our writing competition will be announced by our teacher librarian "Chris McCluckle" during Home Group on Thursday morning. Thank you to all who entered, library staff loved reading those amazing stories!

'Alexandra McEgatha Christie' | Library Chicken Run Manager

Whole College Tour

The Tenison Woods College Whole College Tour was launched last week. If you would like to view, or know someone who may be interested in enrolling at Tenison Woods College, the tour link can be accessed here: <https://bit.ly/2TEkild>

Tracey Davey | Office Manager and Enrolment Registrar



Year 9 Students Shining Within the Community

On Wednesday 20 May, Year 9 students helped the Vinnies shop prepare for their re-opening. Students spent time removing covers from displays, dusting and cleaning the shop. The students involved were: (Back) Harry Wright, Harry Mules, Mitch Garwood, (Front) Gianna Morello, Gael Chizungu and Mia Passaeur Jones.

Well done to the students for their contribution!

Chris Lloyd | CIM Years 6-9 Teacher



Renowned Poet Joins Year 12 English Class

Year 12 English Students were treated to a rich learning experience on Friday 22 May. Renowned South Australian poet Geoff Goodfellow spoke with students via Microsoft Teams.

Geoff brought a wonderful atmosphere to the room and chatted candidly with staff and students about himself, his poetry and his life growing up in the inner northern suburbs of Adelaide. He recited the poems for the students and gave extensive background information on each poem, giving students the opportunity to ask Geoff some questions.

Geoff has co-written a book with a teacher entitled 'The People's Poet – Transformed' based on the transformative task that is now a part of the Australian School Curriculum for senior students of English.

His presentation thoroughly engaged the students, who now have a broader appreciation of his craft. Geoff believes that poetry can have a social use – like his poem entitled 'True Love' which is used in courtrooms throughout Australia to warn youths against the toxicity of drug addiction.

COVID-19 has been a busy writing period for the 70 year old poet who still enjoys touring and entertaining crowds around the country.

Marilena Wilson | English Learning Area Coordinator



Puzzled Pieces

During Term 1, Year 9 Visual Art Students in my class were given a collaborative task that focused on composition, shading and blending. A black and white photograph of someone quite special to Tenison Woods College – Fr Julian Tenison Woods- was cut into small pieces and each piece was given to a student. The subject of the artwork was kept a secret from the students. The pieces were then completed individually.

If you think that this person is looking rather unusual, then it could be due to the nature of the task. Once finished, the drawn squares were collected and combined together, as a sort of puzzle, to reveal the collaborative artwork. Overall, the Year 9's did a fantastic job and the distorted composition is a great representation of how our students perceived their reference square.

We hope you enjoy the final artwork!

George Adamopoulos | Year 7-12 Art Teacher

QKR! App Reminder

Just a reminder that the the QKR! app cut off time is 9:00am sharp, for same day delivery. Year 8 and 9 specials are only available for Year 8 and 9 students. Orders from the 8-9 Menu will not be permitted for younger siblings. Please be vigilant when using the QKR! app, and follow instructions so the order can be placed, paid for and delivered correctly. Pay particular attention to day of ordering, to ensure order is placed for correct week and day.

Please do not order for multiple children under one child's profile.

Leanne Sandow | Canteen Manager

Weekly Uniform Focus

STUDENTS ARE PERMITTED TO WEAR:

- A watch;
- A fine gold or silver chain with a small religious symbol;
- Sleepers or studs – one per earlobe only;
- Clear nail polish;
- Navy headband or ribbon;
- Coats are to be worn outside only.

Please refer to the College [Uniform Booklet](#) and [Uniform Policy](#) for further information.

Uniform committee

The uniform committee is seeking a new member to the team, which meet once a term on a Thursday during the day in the Sugarloaf Café. If you are interested please email Tania Sigley – sigt@tenison.catholic.edu.au.

Tania Sigley | Director of Wellbeing

Are you an Old Scholar?

Old scholars are an integral part of the history, tradition and future of Tenison Woods College. We invite all old scholars, past parents, friends and former staff members to reconnect through our 'Friends of Tenison' committee. Keep up to date with all the news in the College community. Register your details today, via our [website](#).



'On the Wall' Art Project

A recent collaboration between local artist Justin Clarke and Year 10 students has been taking shape in Commerce Arcade on Commercial Street. With funding and support from the City of Mount Gambier's Creative Arts Fund and Riddoch Art Gallery, students have been given the opportunity to experience Visual Art as a career as well as having a hand in brightening one of our public spaces.

Students worked with Justin to brainstorm ideas for the mural which centred around what home means to them, what comes to mind when they think of the Limestone Coast and what is important to each individual. Sketches were drawn up by the Year 10 students and then passed onto Justin who brought the images together to create the composition that we see today. Once the mapping had been transferred to the wall, students worked with Justin and Aileen Costales-Clarke to bring their ideas to life.

Throughout the painting sessions, many members of the public stopped to watch our artists hard at work and to admire the vision that was being created. Given the challenges that our world has faced in the past few months, the art work aims to give our community hope and put a smile on their faces.

This has been a wonderful experience for our students who have loved every part of this project. Whilst the mural is not yet complete, we encourage the community to visit it, watch the development and admire the work of Justin, Aileen and our students. Keep an eye out as we will be sharing the completed image soon!

Meghan Lynch | Teacher / Arts Learning Area Coordinator

Virtual Cross Country

School Sports SA have been given the go ahead to begin some competitive school sport with Cross Country being the first event. We encourage students to have a go at this event which will be held at the Tenison Woods College oval this week.

We are offering all students at Tenison Woods College a chance to compete in the School Sports SA Virtual Cross-Country event which will take place tomorrow, Thursday 28 May (Reception - 6) and Friday 29 May (Years 7-12).

The distances are as follows:

- 5-6 Years (Born 2014-2015) 500m
- 7-9 Years (Born 2011-2013) 1000m
- 10-12 Years (Born 2008-2010) 2000m
- 13-19 Years (Born 2001-2017) 3000m

The timetable for running the event is below:

Thursday 28 May

Lesson 5: 12:00pm – 12:40 pm – Reception, Year 1 & Year 2
Lesson 6: 12:40pm – 1:20 pm – Year 3 & Year 4
Lesson 7/8: 2:00pm - 3:00pm - Year 5 & Year 6

Friday 29 May

Lesson 5/6: 12:00pm – 1:20 pm – Years 7 - 9
Lesson 7/8: 2:00pm – 3:00pm – Years 10 -12

We ask that if your child is interested, that they wear their PE uniform on their day and bring along a water bottle.

Please notify your child's Home Group Teacher if your child would like to participate.

Sports Department



Junior School Awards

With our Junior School Assemblies currently on hold, we felt it was important to still acknowledge our student's ability to SHINE BRAVELY at Tenison Woods College. Students pictured have been demonstrating a variety of skills and attitudes such as **S**triving to be successful, **H**elping others to be their best, getting **I**nvolved, knowing others by **N**ame and **E**njoying positive emotions.

Congratulations to our certificate recipients;

- Reception: Myles Unmack, Hamza Rizwan, Patrick Jennings and Beau Cutting
- Year 1: Demi Gabrielli, Mitch Lewis, Georgia Skirving, Angus Robinson and Rian Raghesh
- Year 2: Stella Jones, Max Yeates, Layla Hall and James Allen
- Year 3: Thor Svec, Xavier Hunter, Eli Pilven, Felix Bell and Ruby
- Year 4: Yo Tha Mya, Austin Smith, Zoe Guthridge and Tom Croser
- Year 5: Iris McPherson, Samuel Swiggs, Henry Sims and Ansima Emmanuel
- Music: Violet Davis, Jaxon Holmes, Archie Marlow, Eliza Peters, Ivy Trigg and Hayley Bartley
- Art: Payton Bilney, Mitch Lewis, Sophie Halloran, Annabel Waltner-Toews, Hiram Webster-Lawson, Thaw Shen Poe, Aaliyah and Thomas

Liz Snell | Student Wellbeing Reception - 5

Upcoming Events:

Thursday 28 May

- Virtual Cross Country- Reception - Year 6

Friday 29 May

- Virtual Cross Country- Year 7 - 12

Thursday 4 June

- Uniform Shop closed due to Stocktake

Thursday 4 June

- Student Free Day

Friday 5 June

- Student Free Day

Canteen Roster

For those rostered to work in the canteen, your starting time is 10:00am and your finishing time is 2:00pm. If you or your children have been unwell in the week leading up to your rostered day we ask that you do not attend and contact the Canteen Manager, Leanne Sandow on 8724 4607. Thank you for your assistance.

Please note: Lunch order bags can only be used once, they are not reusable. When using the QKR! App, please make sure all instructions are followed so orders can be processed correctly. There have been a few problems with parents / students selecting the wrong day, or ordering for the following week. Please check carefully when placing orders. A reminder that the cut off time for orders via QKR! is 9:00am.

2020 Canteen Pricelist

Please visit the website for the 2020 canteen pricelist or click [here](#)



Uniform Shop

***Please note that the uniform shop will be closed on Thursday 4 June for stocktake.**

The Uniform Shop are not able to offer a walk in service at this time, however, to assist our community they are offering personalised fitting appointments.

ALL BELOW OPENING HOURS ARE BY APPOINTMENT ONLY. To book your appointment, please click [here](#).

Tuesday 8:00am - 10:30am - Appointments Booked Online
11:00am - 12:00pm - Collection of Online Orders only

Thursday 1:00pm - 2:30pm - Appointments Booked Online
3:00pm - 5:00pm - Collection of Online Orders only

Thank you for everyone's patience and understanding – these times may be subject to change.

For further enquiries please contact the school at 8725 5455.

Photo Gallery - Around the College



Amazing clay sculptures by our Year 8/9 students



Behind the scenes of the filming of the whole college tour.



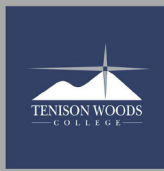
Students participating in National Simultaneous Storytime



Amazing artwork created by our talented Year 8 Art students



Students honed their knowledge of matter and energy in Physics



AFTER SCHOOL STUDY CENTRE

COMMON ROOM - PRC

Weekly every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from
3:30pm - 4:15pm

MONDAY:

CHEMISTRY

RESEARCH PROJECT

MATHS

MUSIC - IN MUSIC AREA

ART

TUESDAY:

ENGLISH

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

MATHS

MUSIC - IN MUSIC AREA

ART

BIOLOGY

THURSDAY:

MATHS

TECH STUDIES - IN TECH AREA

EALD HOMEWORK CLUB

