

# Weekly Newsletter

WEDNESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2020 | WEEK 10, TERM 3

**This Friday 25 September EARLY DISMISSAL**  
**Reception - Year 5: 2:15pm Year 6 - Year 12: 2:20pm**



Skye Flint and Alain Alpha

## Year 10's Reflect on the Theme of *Love*

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the Year 10 Reflection Day was held here at Tenison Woods College. Students explored the theme of *No Greater Love*, using the song from Fr Rob Galea as a foundation for their day. This provided students the opportunity to reflect on love and gratitude for self, others, creation and God.

Students created watercolour artworks using 'love of creation' as a muse, made sweets which were given out at the Sunset Community Kitchen, wrote letters of love and gratitude to people of significance, connected with our rich history with a guided walk through the College grounds, focused on a love of self through personal affirmations and time in prayer and meditation connected with God. The day finished with a liturgy in the College Chapel to give thanks for the love that we have in our lives.

**Chloe Shanahan** | 10-12 Catholic Identity and Mission Coordinator



Lydia Nashed, Mia Grant, Kate Dempsey and Juliene Angela



Aiden Mustey and Ashley de Jong

## From The Principal

### Thank You For a Wonderful Term of SHINE-ing Bravely

As we conclude Term 3, I offer a sincere thanks to all the students, staff, parents and carers who have played their part in this term. Despite the challenges of COVID-19, we have definitely thrived as a College community. Tenison Woods College is a place where every learner has a place, every learner a pathway and every learner shines. We also understand that such a call to service is our daily challenge, and often our daily celebration, and this term there has been plenty to celebrate!

I am excited about the range of planning that has occurred this term in preparation for an exciting and evolved curriculum in 2021. I thank the staff for their insights, creativity and commitment to offer the best possible integrated learning experiences to our students.

This term we have been finalising the Gilap Wanga Learning Community and we anticipate that a major part of the landscaping will be completed by the conclusion of Term 3 holidays. The expansion of the ELCC and the building of the new Reception Centre is on track ready for occupation in 2021. We are also continuing with the collaborative process of conceptualising the Years 1 to 6 Primary Centre, to be built in 2021, ready for 2022 occupation.

So, thank you to the many students, staff, parents and carers who have played their part in the success of day-to-day learning experiences, as well as the planning for our preferred future as a Catholic School Community of excellence, achievement and care.

### Leaving Families Thank You Celebration

I am delighted that this Thursday we will take time to say farewell to a number of families who will complete their formal association with the College with their last child currently in Year 12.

Many of these families have had a long association with the College and I look forward to celebrating with and thanking those families who have committed many years to Catholic Education in our region.

### The Catholic Faith - Information Night

Interested in the Catholic Faith? Wanting to know more? Wanting to become a Catholic? You are invited to an Information Night into the Catholic Faith, on Thursday 1 October at 7:00pm in the Gathering Space of St Paul's Church. For more details please ring Fr Dean or Cisca at 8725 6566.



## From The Principal *continued...*

### South East Deanery Retreat Day

The annual Deanery Retreat Day this year will be held on Sunday 11 October at the Naracoorte Parish Centre. Fr Denis Travers CP, Spiritual Director, Parish Priest of the Glen Osmond Parish and Superior of the Passionists at the Monastery will be the director for the day.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the centre can only cater for 30 people, hence it is essential that you register your attendance. Please contact Simone at [naracoortecatholic@gmail.com](mailto:naracoortecatholic@gmail.com) or on 0492 954 677 to book. Tea and coffee will be provided for breaks and lunch, but we ask that everyone also bring their own lunch and snacks.

The day will commence at 10:30am and Sunday Mass will be at 11:00am in St Thomas Aquinas Church with the Naracoorte Community. The day will conclude by 4:30pm.

A donation will be suggested to cover the stipend for Fr Denis and his travel expenses. Father Dean invites you to come to this day of prayer and reflection to grow in your relationship with the Lord and with each other as his Community of Disciples.

### Fee Remissions

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 will lose significant income due to the new COVID-19 restrictions 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.

### HHDL Four Point Plan

I thank you thus far for your attention to HHDL Four Point Plan; of 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. This approach has stood us in good stead this year, and I ask that we all continue deliberately with the HHDL approach.

### BYOD – YEAR 6 Families, ready for Year 7 in 2021

As the year flies by and we look to 2021, I remind families that if they are thinking about purchasing a device for next year, check out the Bring Your Own Device page on our [website](#).

You can also find this page in SEQTA Engage by choosing the Portal option and selecting BYOD Parent / Guardian Information. With the current COVID-19 situation and associated wait times for products, we encourage families to think about their child's needs a little earlier to ensure that the device is ready for the start of 2021.

### Carpark Care

I remind families during these days of challenging weather conditions to drive at no more than 15km/h while on the College grounds. I also ask that parents/carers accompany young students to and from the council property (Marist Park) adjacent to the 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 school grounds to cars parked on the council property.

God Bless,

David Mezinac | Principal



## From the Assistant Principal Student and Staff Development

### Construction at the ELCC Throughout Term 3

At the conclusion of this term, I would like to pay a special tribute to the staff, students and parents/carers of the Early Learning and Community Centre. Throughout this term everyone has operated in a reduced area, both inside and out, with noise and interruptions whilst continuing to provide an innovative and exciting program. The construction site has been a constant source of entertainment and curiosity for the students and I am sure we are creating pathways for budding engineers and project managers. The workers on the site have been marvellous at answering a myriad of questions from students of all year levels. While the majority of us head off for a two-week break, spare a thought for the ELCC staff who will continue their wonderful work amid a fast-growing learning space.

### School Holidays

As a parent I always looked forward to the school holidays, as it was an opportunity to spend more time with my children and their friends, have a break from making school lunches and the tight schedules of sporting, music and dance commitments. If time permitted, it was always good to set aside some time to do something special with each child; whether it be playing their favourite board game, watching them at the skate park, or indulging in an ice cream! By creating these memories, you set the scene not only for increased communication but also for lifelong modelling for the students.

Whatever you plan to do in your school holidays I wish parents/carers and students a very safe, relaxing, and happy holiday and I look forward to returning on Monday 12 October.

Jennie Sanderson | Assistant Principal Student and Staff Development



## CIM Team News

### Presentation of the Swags to Vinnies

On Friday 7 August, a group of Year 12 students participated in the Vinnies Winter Sleepout for Homelessness Week, sleeping out in solidarity for those less fortunate throughout the world. The students shared a simple dinner of soup and bread, before sleeping in the cold Mount Gambier weather conditions. Registration donations were made by participants of the sleepout, Year 11's, 12's and teachers who were unable to attend also donated, raising a total of \$469.60. The money raised was used to purchase two swags and winter necessities with the support of Aussie Disposals Mount Gambier. On Monday 21 September, these products were donated to Jeanette Elliott, President of the Vinnies Conference Mount Gambier, to support the homeless in our community. We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone involved and to Vinnies for the wonderful work that they do in our community.



Pictured above the Year 12 students who participated at the Vinnies Winter Sleepout with Jeanette Elliott.



Pictured above (L-R): Mission Leaders Ruby Moore, Rosie van Eyk and Matthew Brookes at Aussie Disposals.

### Youth Mass

Thank you to all involved in the Youth Mass last weekend. It is so uplifting to see the growing number of young people involved in the St Paul's Youth Group and who offer their skills and talents to the music ministry within the Parish.

Each Youth Mass is followed by a meal and a gathering of young people. If this is of interest to you or to a young person you know please contact the Youth Ministry Coordinator on [mgp.youth@gmail.com](mailto:mgp.youth@gmail.com). Please RSVP for catering purposes.

The dates for these masses and gatherings for the remainder of 2020 are:  
17 October  
14 November  
19 December

We look forward to seeing you there!

### Family Mass

This Sunday, 27 September, at 11:00am there will be a Family Mass at St Paul's Church. We would love to see as many families as possible in attendance. We hope to see you there.

Michelle Coote | Assistant Principal Religious Identity and Mission



## Students Volunteer Green Thumbs for Sustainability

The Year 11 Stage 2 Outdoor Education students recently participated in a revegetation session with Nature Glenelg Trust at Mount Burr Swamp.

This was a great experience for all students to get involved and to volunteer their time to a fantastic project, focused on promoting environmental sustainability in our local community.

Thank you to Bryan Haywood and Tom Linnell for working with the students and sharing their knowledge with us.

*Pictured above (L-R): Oscar Adams, Adam Prosperi-Porta and Alex Stafford at Mount Burr Swap.*

**Heidi Clark** | Outdoor Education Teacher



## Year 1's Delve into our College History

As part of the Year 1 Religious Education Curriculum, students have been learning about St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, who she is and why she is so special. Students travelled to Penola on Friday 18 September to visit the Mary MacKillop Interpretive Centre, the Mary MacKillop Park, Petticoat Lane and other sites around Penola to learn more about Australia's only canonised Saint and the role she has at the College and in the region. The Year 1's thoroughly enjoyed the excursion and came back with a bigger appreciation of one of the College founders.

*Pictured above Bella-Mia Mya in Penola.*

**Rachelle Sullivan** | Year 1 Teacher

## Year 12 Final Day Celebrations

The last day of formal classes for our Year 12 students will be Thursday 22 October - Week 2, Term 4. This is a special day where we celebrate their journey as students at Tenison Woods College and wish them luck with their upcoming exams with a number of events scheduled for the day.

The day will run as follows:

**8:00am - Breakfast for 2020 Year 12 students shared with staff**

**9:35am - Year 12 Farewell Assembly in the Barrie Holmes Stadium** – Year 12s' parents/carers and families are invited to attend as it is a great opportunity to be involved in the celebrations.

**10:15am - Cake Presentation in the Barrie Holmes Stadium** - Parents/carers and families invited to attend. Unfortunately, due to restrictions, we will not be able to supply morning tea or tea/coffee – items can however be purchased from the Sugarloaf Café.

**10:45am - Guard of Honour** – Year 12 students to walk through the school grounds with a Guard of Honour by all year levels to the Chapel. Parents/caregivers and families invited to be at the beginning of the Guard of Honour.

**11:00am - Year 12 Farewell Mass for 2020 Year 12 students in the Tenison Woods College Chapel.** Due to current restrictions, only staff members and Year 12 students are permitted to attend.

**12:00pm - Conclusion**

If parents/cares of Year 12 students are planning on attending the assembly or cake presentation on Thursday 22 October, please RSVP to Tanya Thomson at [thota@tenison.catholic.edu.au](mailto:thota@tenison.catholic.edu.au) to advise numbers for seating purposes.

There are two other significant occasions on the Year 12 calendar when we formally recognise, acknowledge and farewell our graduating students.

These are:

- Senior School Awards Ceremony – Friday 20 November, 9:00am in the Barrie Holmes Stadium
- Graduation Dinner – Friday 27 November at the Barn Palais

We look forward to celebrating the end of our Year 12's time at Tenison Woods College.

**Ciaran Buckley** | Head of Senior School



## 'You've Got Mail!'

Reception students have enjoyed running their class Post Office. The students have been writing letters and looking forward to checking the post box to see who has received mail, with parents/caregivers and staff sending in letters to the class!

*Pictured above Lukas Yeates at the class Post office.*

## Primary Mathematics Association Challenge

For students completing a Mathematics project for the Primary Mathematics Association Challenge, final projects are due to either your classroom teacher or the PRC reception no later than Monday 12 October. Please use the holidays to finish off the projects

If you have any questions about the requirements of the project please email myself, Vanessa Courtney, at [courv@tenison.catholic.edu.au](mailto:courv@tenison.catholic.edu.au).

Looking forward to seeing some innovative mathematics projects this year!

**Vanessa Courtney** | SACE Coordinator/Science Teacher



## Senior Poplars Own Louvre on Display!

The Senior Poplars class have been studying famous artists throughout the year. They have been exploring the works of Picasso, Warhol, Klimt and van Gogh. Their work is currently on display for interested parents/carers, families and staff to see the outstanding pieces. All the students are so proud of their hard work.

*Pictured above Hayley Mc Intosh with her painting of 'Cafe Terrace at Night'.*

**Karina Jones** | Senior Poplars Teacher

## Years 8 and 9 Students Have Been Busy in PE!

### Students Design Own Games

All Year 8 students this term have been learning about court divided games, which are badminton, volleyball and table tennis in their Physical Education lessons. While students have acquired fundamental skills, a strong focus has been on learning core strategies and using teamwork. This allowed the students to collaboratively design and then teach their own court divided game. Using the foundation principles, students creatively used rules of existing games and made up their own to launch 'Wall Ball', 'Watts Up?', 'Dosed Vocer ball', 'High Top Tennis' and 'Oooshball'. This task proved to be a lot of fun and enjoyable for all. Well done to the Year 8 students!

### Future Sports Coaches/PE staff

Year 9 Physical Education students have been developing their coaching, teaching and mentoring skills by creating and coaching sports sessions with the enthusiastic Year 3 and 4 students. Each session had a warm up, two skill drills and a modified game. The sport chosen by each coaching group had to be an 'invasion game', which has been the focus this term, involving sports like netball, korfbal, european handball, floor hockey, basketball, futsal soccer and ultimate frisbee. Lots of fun and enjoyment was had by all. Thank you to all Year 4 and 5 teachers for their wonderful support!

**Ian Ross** | 8-12 Sports Coordinator

## Class Placements for 2021

Planning for 2021 classes is about to begin in both the Junior and Middle Schools. Staff give deep and careful consideration to the class placement of students, ensuring the best and most informed educational and wellbeing decisions are made. At the beginning of Term 4, Junior and Middle School students will receive a note from their homegroup teacher regarding this process; please ensure that you discuss this with your child, sign and return the relevant section.

If you feel there are exceptional and valid circumstances for your child that need to be considered, please address these in writing to Jill Rogers, Head of Junior School (Reception - Year 6) at [rogej@tenison.catholic.edu.au](mailto:rogej@tenison.catholic.edu.au) and Francesca Dickson at [francesca.dickson@tenison.catholic.edu.au](mailto:francesca.dickson@tenison.catholic.edu.au) or Nick Patzel, Head of Middle School (Years 7 to 9) at [patzn@tenison.catholic.edu.au](mailto:patzn@tenison.catholic.edu.au) by Friday 23 October 2020 (end of Week 2, Term 4). Please note that requests for specific teachers are unable to be considered.

Nick Patzel Head of Middle School and Francesca Dickson Acting Head of Junior School



## Year 4 Student On Sunrise This Friday

Go Duke! Year 4 Student Duke Bradley has been chosen to represent South Australia on Sunrise this Friday morning for Sam Mac's Quiz Segment!

Duke will be answering a series of general knowledge questions, competing against other Year 4 Students from around Australia! Tune in from 5:30am Friday for the live cross to cheer Duke on!



## Students Represent College at SAPSASA Hockey

College students recently represented the Lower South East region in the SAPSASA Hockey Tournament, where they faced tough competition from other regions.

The regional Boys and Girls teams both played exceptional hockey showcasing their skills and teamwork. The Boys finished joint-winners with Lower Eyre Peninsula, and the Girls team finished equal-third overall!

Our student representatives were Archie Aitken, Noah Clarke, Owain Earle, Jeremy McKenzie, James Miller and Sarrah Ryan. Well done to these students on their fantastic results representing the Lower South East region.

**Tina Opperman** | R-7 Sports Coordinator

Stage 1 Creative Arts (Musical) Students Present...

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Annie The Musical

Stage 1 Creative Arts (Musical) students will be presenting the musical 'Annie' at the Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre, Wednesday 14 October at 7:00pm.

Please click [here](#) for further information.

# Junior School Shine Awards

## Year 1

Students pictured have been demonstrating a variety of skills and attitudes such as Striving to be successful, Helping others to be their best, getting Involved, knowing others by Name and Enjoying positive emotions. Congratulations to our certificate recipients.

Congratulations to our certificate recipients;

Reception: Lukas Yeates, Beau Coffey, Lily Koopman, Evie Baker, Avangalea Roughana, Cruz Bilney, Lexi McCullough, Mason Little, Xav Mugavin and Lyla Woolston.

Year 1: Riley Dixon, Kathleen Seebohm and Beau Whelan.

Year 2: Madi Ras, Charlie Little, Chloe Stratford, Andy Guan, Sophia McCullough and Saxon Gabrielli.

Year 3: Aayush Sirsat, Olivia Perry, Piper Skirving, Miles Kroon, Indi McPherson and William Beare.

Year 4: Islah Beveridge, Patrick Sigley, Sam Marcus, Lyla Bayley, Zara Cole, Piper Hood and Isaac Salmon.

Year 5: Aysia Robinson, Xavier Cain, Liam Bidese, Therese Pajanga, Shen Tee Shin Shin, Hamish Gordon and Daphne.

Music: Bryan Van Zyl and Annabelle Gordon.

Art: Aiden Thomas, Mia Versace, Xav Mugavin, Piper Mulraney, Cooper Stephen, Stefan Rye, Darcy Hodges, Mac Bradshaw and Ashlyn Cornolo.

**Liz Snell** | Student Wellbeing Reception - 5

## Reception



*Kathleen Seebohm and Beau Whelan*

## Year 2



*(L-R): Chloe Stratford, Madi Ras, Charlie Little and Lucy Whitehead*



*Xav Mugavin and Evie Baker*



*(L-R): Lily Koopman, Mason Little and Lyla Woolston*



*Saxon Gabrielli and Sophia McCullough*



*Andy Guan*



*Lukas Yeates and Lexi McCullough*



*Beau Coffey and Cruz Bilney*

## Year 3



*Miles Kroon*



*Piper Skirving*

## Year 3 Continued



Olivia Perry



Indi McPherson and William Beare



Liam Bidese



Hamish Gordon

## Year 4



Sam Marcus



Zara Cole



Therese Pajanga and Shen Tee Shin Shin

## Music



Islah Beveridge



Patrick Sigley



Annabelle Gordon



Bryan Van Zyl

## Year 5

## Arts



Xavier Cain



Aysia Robinson



Stefan Rye



Darcy Hodges

## Arts Awards Continued



Mac Bradshaw



Ashlyn Cornolo



Xav Mugavin



Aiden Thomas



## Old Scholars Meet with Year 8/9 State Champions

A special event for our Year 8/9 Girls Netballers while they were in Adelaide last week, was the opportunity to watch a Premier League match at the Priceline stadium between Garville and Woods Panthers. The Premier League is the best players in South Australia, with the next level being the National league with the Adelaide Thunderbirds. Watching the game on the main court, our talented netballers had the unique experience of watching four Tenison Woods College old scholars play. These were Lauren Ross and Emily Close for Panthers, Jordyn Adams and Alex Walker for Garville. This was a great learning opportunity for the Year 8/9 girls.

Ian Ross | 8-12 Sports Coordinator

## Upcoming Events:

### Wednesday 23 September

- College Board Meeting, 7:00pm – Gilap Wanga Centre

### Thursday 24 September

- Year 8/9 Knockout Football Final, Adelaide
- Leaving Families Function, 7:00pm – 9:00pm – Pam Ronan Centre
- Open Boys Basketball Semi Final 8:00am – 3:20pm, Keith Basketball Stadium
- Year 10/11 Nalou Kitchen Industry Immersion, 12:00pm – 3:20pm, Nalou Café Mount Gambier

### Friday 25 September

- Final Day of Term; Reception – Year 5 finish 2:15pm and Year 6 – Year 12 finish 2:20pm

### Saturday 26 September

- Mass 6:00pm, St Paul's Church Mount Gambier

### Sunday 27 September

- Family Mass 11:00am, St Paul's Church Mount Gambier

### Monday 12 October

- First day of Term 4

## QKR! Canteen Orders 8:30am Daily Cut Off from Term 4

Please be advised that in Term 4, the cut-off period for QKR! School Canteen orders will be prior to 8:30am (was 9:00am) on the day you wish to order. Any orders received at or after 8:30am via the App will not be processed for that day and will prompt you to select another day to order. Thank you for your understanding with this change to the QKR! App order process.

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

Jess Herring | Public Relations and Events Manager

## Uniform Shop Ordering Online Tips

### Boys Shorts

When ordering online there are two types of boy grey shorts:

- Elastic back grey shorts; and
- Belt loop (Milano) grey shorts.

If your child has out grown their size 20 elastic back grey shorts, they will then move to the men's belt loop (Milano) grey shorts in a size 6.

### Girls Dresses

- The summer dress sizes range from 4C-16C (C=child shape) and 6A-26A (A=adult shape)

Come in or jump [online](#) to order your Summer Uniform, socks and hats now!

### Uniform Shop Trading Hours

The Uniform shop will be closed in the first week of the school holidays, but will be open during the second week on the following days and times:

Tuesday 6 October	8:00am - 12:00pm
Thursday 8 October	11:00am - 4:00pm

A traditionally busy time of trading given the change in season, we would ask that our Online shop be encouraged as we will be needing to manage and restrict the flow of customers into the shop at any one time due to COVID-19 social distancing requirements. We will ensure that the Online orders made prior to these trading days are ready for collection during these times.

Term 4 trading will continue as normal:

Tuesdays	8:00am - 12:00pm
Thursdays	1:00pm - 5:00pm

For further enquiries please contact the school at 8725 5455.

\*A reminder that hats are compulsory for Terms 4 and 1.\*