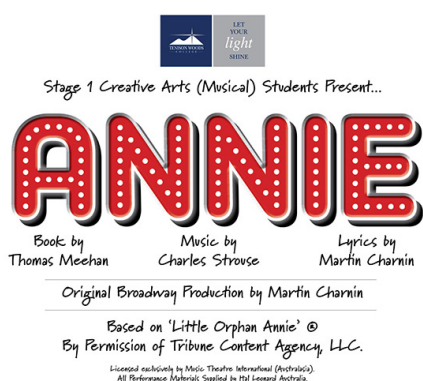


# Weekly Newsletter

WEDNESDAY 14 OCTOBER 2020 | WEEK 1, TERM 4

## 'Annie' the Musical Tonight!



Our Stage 1 Creative Arts (Musical) students present: 'Annie' the Musical!

In the depths of the 1930's, Annie is a fiery young orphan girl who must live in a miserable orphanage run by the tyrannical Miss Hannigan. Her seemingly hopeless situation changes dramatically when she is selected to spend a short time at the residence of the wealthy businessman, Oliver Warbucks.

As per the current stage of COVID-19 restrictions, a limited audience is allowed in the Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre. To allow seats for all families, tickets are limited to four per family. Tickets are available for purchase from the Theatre Box Office and also [online](#).

The students have been working tirelessly throughout Semester 2, on both onstage and off stage roles. Come and support their creative pursuits at a socially distanced performance starting at 7:00pm!

To meet the some of the cast and crew members of 'Annie', please refer to Page 5.

## From The Principal

### Ready, Set ... for a Very Significant Term

I look forward to Term 4 with all its rites of passage and the 'final quarter' effort that will ensure a wonderful conclusion to the 2020 academic year. In addition to all the finishing touches, there will also be significant transition experiences to ensure our students make the best possible start to 2021.

Behind the scenes, we will continue finalising the Gilap Wanga Learning Community with all the associated exciting curriculum, ready for 2021. The expansion of the Early Learning Community Centre and the building of the new Reception Centre are also 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.

### HHDL Four Point Plan

I thank you thus far for your attention to HHDL Four Point Plan; good Health, good Hygiene and hand washing, good Distancing and care for others and good Learning 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. As always, we remain alert, not alarmed.

### Key Dates for the Commencement of 2021:

A full list of 2021 key dates will follow soon, but to assist with planning, I inform our College community of dates to commence the 2021 academic year:

Thursday 21 January 2021	All Teaching Staff Commence
Friday 22 January 2021	Book Collection Day and Staff Planning Day
Monday 25 January 2021	Staff Planning Day
Tuesday 26 January 2021	Australia Day Public Holiday
Wednesday 27 January 2021	Reception and Years 7, 8, 10,11, 12 Commence Term 1
Thursday 28 January 2021	All Other Students Commence Term 1.

You will note the staggered start to the commencement of the year for students. This approach will assist students in the identified year levels to complete the best possible transition processes with the relevant teaching and support staff. We also look forward to preparing transition programs that will accentuate our relationship with parents and carers in the support of student learning and wellbeing.



## From The Principal *continued...*

### Staff Professional Learning Communities of Practice Conference, CoP20

Next Friday, 23 October, staff will be attending the Communities of Practice Conference, CoP20. This is a celebration of communal and collaborative endeavours conducted in 2020 by teachers and co-educators in the learning environments of our region; an opportunity for staff to reflect on the above challenges and celebrate its reality in the lives of our young. We are also delighted to have staff of Mary MacKillop Memorial School and St Anthony's Catholic Primary School as part of this significant 'Campfire Conference.'

During the past four years, we at Tenison Woods College, have been undertaking professional learning underpinned by the philosophy that each learner is a valued, capable and competent learner, and our focus has been to support and enable student agency. In 2017 we addressed the area of Self-regulation, while in 2018 we considered Knowledge Construction and Authentic Learning tasks. The focus of AR19 was Collaboration, where we drew inspiration from the Living Learning Leading Framework (Catholic Education South Australia, 2018) and the clear intent for Catholic Schools to prepare our young in becoming, 'thriving people, capable learners, leaders for the world God desires.' As a Catholic school community, we have also considered what it means to thrive, and described that in PERMA+ terms of SHINE+:

- S - Strive to be Successful
- H - Helping others to be their best
- I - Getting Involved
- N - Known by Name
- E - Enjoying positive Emotions
- + - Being Healthy

This year, we come to the campfire of Gilap Wanga Learning Community to accentuate and celebrate the communities of practice which have occurred and the collaboration that has been a feature of a year coloured by COVID-19, thus when we have indeed responded to the invitation to SHINE Bravely. The Life Buoyancy Institute Intentional Resilient IMPACT Practice has further brought a deep mindful awareness of the "What? What? How?" to our teaching, support, planning and communication occurring within our school.

At this time of the Catholic Education South Australia (CESA) Living, Learning, Leading Framework, CoP20 is a commitment to continue reflecting on our craft as Catholic educators, who aspire to enable each and every learner at Tenison Woods College to shine, with all the deep reflection, critique, collaboration, humility, professional frailty and wonderful communal success that such whole staff endeavour brings.

I offer sincere thanks to all our committed staff, College coaches, supportive CESA colleagues and talented LBI consultants who have supported our journey to this point. I hope staff will enjoy the variety of campfire discussions during the conference and view it as an opportunity for sharing and deep listening. In this way, we will benefit from the rich tapestry of committed endeavour which is the hallmark of our talented staff in the South East region.

### 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.

### 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 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

### Term 4 - An Exiting Term for Student Leadership

This is always an exciting time of the year, with lots of rites of passages for our various year levels, a chance to finish off the year well and enjoy the longer days.

This is also a very important term for Student Leadership at Tenison Woods College. As our 2020 student leaders conclude their time in leadership, I would like to thank them for their dedication, organisation and inspiration throughout the year. Our School Captains, Faith, Wellbeing, Sustainability, Music, Mission, Learning and Sports Leaders have worked steadily to create a variety of activities and experiences for students throughout the College. A highlight of the year would have to be Charity Day for our connections in Timor-Leste which culminated in the Hot Seat Quiz. Thank you to all involved in this very worthwhile cause. Next week we will be electing the 2021 School Captains from a strong field of Year 11 candidates. I wish these students every success as they prepare for their interview and speech to members of the 2021 Senior School. After the Captains have been elected there will be opportunities for students to represent Wellbeing, Mission, Faith, Sustainability, Music, Sport and Learning across the College. This should present a very capable and exciting student leadership team.

Jennie Sanderson | Assistant Principal Student and Staff Development



## CIM Team News

### Deanery Retreat Day

This Sunday, 18 October there is a retreat being held at the Naracoorte Catholic Centre. The retreat will be led by Fr John Curtis from the Monastery in Adelaide and is an opportunity for people from across the South East to gather as a community. Fr John has extensive experience in Retreat and Parish Ministry and is also a Spiritual Director.

The retreat will also offer the opportunity for the Rite of Reconciliation and conclude with the Eucharist at 3:30pm. The day will begin at 10:30am. Please bring a plate of food to share for morning tea and lunch. The suggested offering is \$10.00 per head.

*Amid the busyness of our lives and the many competing voices demanding our attention, Jesus stands at the door of our hearts...knocking!*

### Youth Mass

The first Youth Mass for Term 4 will be held at 6:00pm on Saturday 17 October. We would love for youth and young adults to volunteer and help with the singing, music and reading. Please let Chloe Shanahan know at [shanc@tenison.catholic.edu.au](mailto:shanc@tenison.catholic.edu.au) if you are able to help out in any way. Families of the College are encouraged to attend this vibrant celebration.

### Sacramental Program 2021

Mount Gambier Catholic Parish invites parents/caregivers to enrol their children to take part in the Parish Sacramental Program for 2021. This is preparation for a full initiation into the Catholic Church by the celebration of the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Eucharist. There is also an opportunity for those seeking Baptism to be involved in the Sacramental Program and to celebrate Baptism in addition to the other Sacraments. If one of your children is in Year 3 and above and might be ready to join this preparation program, you need to attend the Enrolment Evening to be held at St Paul's Hall on Thursday 5 November from 7:00pm until 8:00pm. The important dates, the structure of the program and the expectation of your involvement will be explained in detail at the meeting. You will need to bring the Enrolment Form, the registration fee of \$50.00 and a copy of your child's Baptism Certificate the Enrolment Evening. Please contact the Sacramental Coordinator on 8725 6566 or [mpsacraments@bigpond.com](mailto:mpsacraments@bigpond.com) for more information or for a copy of the enrolment form.

Michelle Coote | Assistant Principal Religious Identity and Mission



## Bignell Brothers Compete at State Swimming Championships

Year 10 student Thomas Bignell and his younger brother Year 9 Nicholas Bignell competed at the 2020 South Australia Short Course Swimming State Championships in Adelaide during the School Holidays. Thomas won a silver medal in the 50 metre Breaststroke, a bronze medal in both 100 metre Breaststroke and 200 metre Breaststroke. After all heats were completed, Thomas finished 9th overall in the 200 metre Breaststroke. Nicholas swam a personal best in the 50 metre Breaststroke, beating his old record by 2.9 seconds.

Well done to the boys on their achievements. They represented South Australia proudly!



## College Farewells Families at Special Event

On Thursday 24 September, we celebrated the final part of the journey for many families at our annual Leaving Families function, as they complete their formal association with the College. 2020 has certainly been a different year with new challenges, but the resilience shown by these students and their families to adapt to new situations is inspiring. This special evening was a wonderful way to celebrate with and thank these families, who have committed many years to Catholic education in our region.

We wish all of our leaving families and students all the best in their future!

**David Mezinac** | Principal

## Year 12 End of Formal Lessons Celebration

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 End of Formal Lessons Assembly in the Barrie Holmes Stadium** - Year 12s' and Reception Students' parents/carers and families are invited to attend as it is a great opportunity to be involved in the celebrations. Social Distancing Measures will be in place.

**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 Caf e.

**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 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



## Students Explore the Creation Story of Craitbul

Year 4 students have been learning about the First Nations People of our region, the Boandik People, and the creation story of Craitbul. The story of Craitbul explains the creation of the mountains, volcanoes and lakes in Berrin (Mount Gambier). The students visited the Indigenous Garden at our College which was designed to reflect this story, and spent time sketching and discovering the names of the native plants. The students thoroughly enjoyed learning about and visiting the sites in the Craitbul story and looking at Mount Gambier through a different lens.

(L-R): Hiram Webster-Lawson, Emmy Jeffrey, Scarlet Ryan and Taylor Fenton at the College Indigenous Garden.

**Hayley Morgan** | Year 4 Teacher

## College Students to Represent our Region in SAPSASA Softball

We are proud to announce that Benjamin Braithwaite, Wil Lewis, Jett Lewis and Zaylen Smith have been chosen to represent the Lower South East in the SAPSASA Softball team to compete in Adelaide during Week 4.

We wish them all the very best!

**Tina Opperman** | Year 5 Teacher / R-7 Sports Coordinator





## Year 2's Put Their Hands Up to Help Out

A group of Year 2 students recently organised a fundraiser for Boandik St Mary's Aged Care Facility. These students spent their recess and lunch times making woollen, finger-stitched bracelets and necklaces which they then sold to Junior School students, friends and family; raising a total of \$120!

The Year 2 students also made the woollen jewellery for younger students and taught them how to make their own. A great effort spreading kindness though the classroom, College and community!

**Kathryn Domaschenz** | Year 2 Teacher

## Year 10's Collaborate with Adelaide Symphony Orchestra

During Term 3, Tenison Woods College Year 10 music students met online with a composer from the Adelaide Symphony Orchestra (ASO) and collaborated to create initial composition ideas. These ideas were then used and re-worked into a full orchestral composition that will be live-streamed to our students by the ASO this term.

This ASO program 'Silos and Symphonies' saw our students compose themes and variations depicting Port MacDonnell, the Blue Lake and the Umpherston Sinkhole.

This activity was announced during the first stages of COVID-19, and just goes to show that in spite of state-wide restrictions, good things can still happen in Arts education.

We are very appreciative of the ASO for asking Tenison Woods College to be involved. Our Year 10 class music cohort can be very proud of themselves.

**Penny Mansell and Beth Creedy** | Music Department

## 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 Jill Rogers Head of Junior School

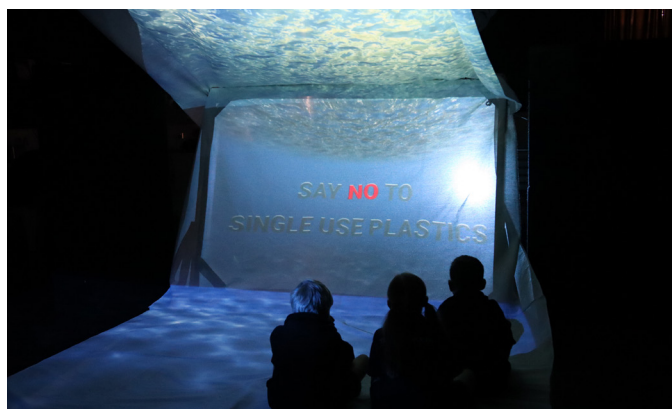


## Year 3's Create and Design String Art

Last term our Year 3 students participated in three specialist Design and Technology sessions to create a piece of string art. The students were given the task of designing, planning and creating their own piece of string art. Students were taught how to correctly use a hammer to then hit nails into their piece of wood. String was then weaved around the nails to create a pattern. The final products were amazing!

*Pictured above (L-R): Zoe Boyd, Acuil, Annabel Waltner-Toews, Xavier Hunter and Muhammad Usman.*

**Ashlea Edwards** | R-5 Design and Technology Key Teacher



## Year 12 Student Wows Audience with Digital Artwork

Year 12 student Edward Layzell's passion for movie making and animation was displayed in his final submission in Stage 2 Visual Art-Design. Edward presented his final piece to reception students in the Drama Room, this allowed him to project images towards the ceiling wall and floor, creating an experience where the audience could wander inside to involve themselves in the immersive advertisement. He also designed the presentation to capture viewers' attention and inform them of a serious environmental issue about single use plastics whilst feeling like they were swimming in the ocean.

This project was one of two assessments that Edward was required to complete as part of the Stage 2 SACE requirements for Visual Art-Design. Well done on his final submission and a great year in Visual Arts!

**Yunita Manfrin** | Visual Arts Design Teacher Year 8 12

## QKR! App Notice

Please be advised that during this term, the cut-off period for QKR! School Canteen orders is now prior to 8:30am 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. Please be aware that lunch orders made through the Qkr! app, cannot be refunded or reissued if the order is not collected by the end of lunchtime.

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

# Photo Gallery - 'Annie'



Travis Ind as Lt Ward



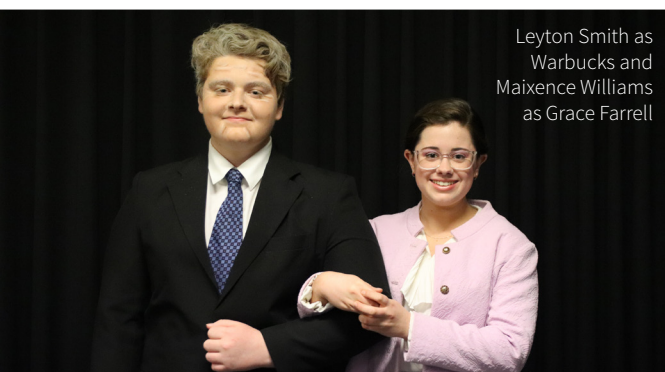
(L-R): Liam Nott as Rooster, Edie Jones as Miss Hannigan and Millie Buckingham as Lily St Regis



Rachel Dunn as team Hair and Makeup Designer



Mary Moreto as Annie



Leyton Smith as Warbucks and Maixence Williams as Grace Farrell



(L-R): Mia Van Gaans, Amelia Taylor, Sam Burke and Caitlin Latus as Orphans

## Upcoming Events:

### Wednesday 14 October

- Stage 1 'Annie the Musical' 7:00pm – Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre
- Open Basketball Knockout State Finals, Adelaide
- Strikers Mascot Visit-SACA 3:30pm – 4:30pm, Tenison Woods College Oval

### Thursday 15 October

- Open Basketball Knockout State Finals, Adelaide
- Year 12 Trial Exams, Pam Ronan Centre

### Friday 16 October

- Vinnies Badge Day

### Saturday 17 October

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

### Sunday 18 October

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

### Tuesday 20 October

- Election of 2021 College Captains
- Year 8 Immunisations 8:45am-10:15am
- Year 10 Catchup Immunisations, Staffroom



## Lost Property to be Collected

There is a significant amount of lost property sitting in the Front Office at the College. All items will be available to collect up until this Friday. After this time they will be donated to Vinnies.

## 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

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.\**