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Weekly Newsletter

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'Just Add Music' Performance

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The Junior School were lucky to be visited by the 'Just Add Music' Band last Wednesday 9 June, who provided a fun, entertaining, interactive, and educational performance!

Students enjoyed a show comprised of colourful costumes, funny characters and exciting songs, with highlights being 'Africa', 'Dancing Queen' and 'Dynamite'. The captivating performance sparked an enthusiastic response from students, as they danced, sang, clapped, and even performed alongside the band - a thrilling way to kickstart their long weekend.

The College thanks 'Just Add Music' for coming to visit and perform at Tenison Woods College, and to all the staff who supported this wondrous event. The students look forward to seeing the talented group again in the future.



Making the ordinary extraordinary at Tenison Woods College

From the Principal



Vinnie's Day – Thursday 17 June

We look forward to Vinnie's Day tomorrow. Students and staff are being encouraged to contribute throughout the day to give to those most in need in our community during these winter months. All students are

encouraged to bring in a gold coin as part of the casual clothes day. Junior School students are asked to bring in new beanies, socks, gloves or a can of food. Middle and Senior School students are invited to bring in a can of food. Founders points will be allocated for each can brought in by students. Staff have been encouraged to shop at Vinnie's and wear their items of clothing on the day as well as bringing along a box or two of cereal for the domino challenge. We are looking forward to a great day for a great cause!

Refugee Week - Unity - The way forward.

Refugee Week 2021 will take place from 20 to 27 June and is a special celebration of the contributions of refugees to the arts, culture and our society.

Coinciding with World Refugee Day, the week-long celebration features educational events, as well as media and creative campaigns designed to raise awareness and highlight the importance of refugees.

The volatility of life in recent times has shown us unequivocally that we need to work together often merely to survive, let alone to thrive and progress. In 2021, we are being challenged to help build a more cohesive community during Refugee Week. Whether hosting a local meal, a community event or attending an online event to hear from people all over the world, we are urged to show the spirit of unity as we recover from the isolation we have all endured in 2020 and become "Stronger. Safer. Healthier. Happier. Together."

What is World Refugee Day?

World Refugee Day is an international day of awareness run by the United Nations (UN) to show support for refugees who have been forced from their homes by violence. In 2021, World Refugee Day will take place on 20 June, which coincides with Refugee Week.

What is a refugee?

A refugee is someone who has had to leave their home and country. This may be due to persecution, war, natural disasters and more. Refugees are often unable to return to their home countries, as it would not be safe for them to do so. Refugees could be individuals, families or even children. According to the international charity Save the Children, there are around 25.4 million refugees around the world.

This is a dedicated opportunity to raise awareness about the issues affecting refugees and celebrate the positive contributions made by refugees to Australian society and our school community. The ultimate aim of the celebration is to create better understanding between different communities and to encourage successful integration enabling refugees to live in safety and to continue making a valuable contribution to Australia.

Specifically, the aims of Refugee Week are:

- to educate the Australian public about who refugees are and why they have come to Australia;
- to help people understand the many challenges refugees face coming to Australia;
- to celebrate the contribution refugees make to our community;
- to focus on how the community can provide a safe and welcoming environment for refugees;
- for community groups and individuals to do something positive for refugees, asylum seekers and displaced people, within Australia but also around the world; and
- for service providers to reflect on whether they are providing the best possible services to refugees.

Refugee Week is a unique opportunity for us all to experience and celebrate the rich diversity of refugee communities through theatre, music, dance, film and other events which take place all over Australia and highlight the aims of the Week, as outlined above. Refugee Week is an umbrella participatory festival which allows a wide range of refugee community organisations, voluntary and statutory organisations, local councils, schools, student groups and faith-based organisations to host events during the week.

Through Refugee Week, we aim to provide an important opportunity for asylum seekers and refugees to be seen, listened to and valued. More information about the online celebration is located <u>here</u>. The Caritas website also has some resources for schools <u>https://www.caritas.org.au/act/share-the-journey</u>



Diocesan Assembly

Archbishop O'Regan has written to all parishes, communities and schools with information about the Diocesan Assembly to be held on Friday night 17 September and Saturday 18 September at Cabra Dominican College, Cross Road, Cumberland Park. A concluding session will be held on the evening of Thursday 23 September at a venue still to be advised.

To prepare for the Assembly, Parishes, Schools and Communities are asked to engage their communities in the pre-assembly consultation process. Individuals and groups are invited to reflect on and respond to the consultation questions:

- a) Think about the challenges and opportunities in your community
- b) How can we as church best fulfil our mission to be the People of God in this place?
- c) What do you think are the most important things to discuss at the Diocesan Assembly?

Responses may be made online at <u>www.adelaidediocesanassembly.org/respond</u> or via reply paid postcard to be provided by the Archdiocese.

The consultation period is now open and will close on Monday 16 August, 2021.

On the weekend of June 26/27 at Parish Masses we will have the opportunity to view a video on the Assembly and also time to respond to the consultation questions. Parishes, Schools, Communities, Agencies and Organisations will receive an invitation to nominate representatives to the Assembly. Resources will be coming soon. Detailed information as well as the consultation online response form are available at <u>www.adelaidedioceseassembly.org</u>.

Diocesan Youth Assembly

A Diocesan Youth Assembly is also being planned as part of the process of consultation leading up to the Diocesan Assembly. It will be on Saturday 21 August at Nazareth Catholic College, Crittenden Road, Findon. A series of consultation sessions will occur throughout the Archdiocese in June and July. More information about this Assembly can be found at www.cathyouthadelaide.org.au.

Assembly Consultation Session In Mount Gambier

Peter Bierer, Coordinator of the Catholic Office for Youth and Young Adults, as a coordinator for the Diocesan Assembly will be holding a consultation session in preparation for the Assembly in Mount Gambier this Sunday 20 June, at 2:00pm in the Gathering Space of St Paul's Church. Parishioners are invited and encouraged to attend.

Youth Assembly Consultation Session

Peter Bierer will also lead a Consultation Session for all our young people after the Youth Mass (5:00pm) this Saturday night 19 June. I invite and encourage all our youth to be involved in the Mass, meal and consultation session afterwards.

Victorian lockdown and HHDL Strategy

In response to the recent COVID-19 outbreaks in Victoria, we are deliberately and carefully continuing with our HHDL Strategy, asserting good Health, good Hygiene and hand washing, good Distancing and care for others, and good Learning regardless of student location.

I ask that you maintain the high HHDL standards which we commenced in 2020. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

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 2021 for a deduction to be made.

Little Lambs Faith Formation Group

Little Lambs is a faith formation program for 3 to 5 year old children. Little Lambs is now taking registrations and will start their first session on Thursday 22 July. Registration fee is \$10 per child per year and entry per session is by gold coin donation. Please grab a brochure and a registration form from the Bulletin stands in St Paul's Church or email mgp.littlelambs1@gmail.com

God Bless, David Mezinec | Principal



CIM Team News

Vinnie's Day - Tomorrow

Tomorrow, the College community will be supporting the Vinnie's Winter Appeal. This appeal provides emergency relief to people at risk and experiencing

homelessness in our communities. Through the generous support of our students, families and staff, we can make a difference to the lives of many this winter.

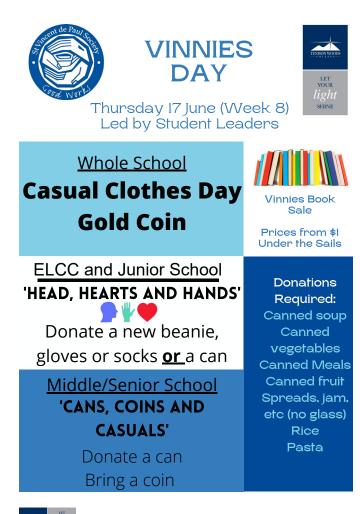
Students from Early Learning to Year 12 are encouraged to wear casual clothes and donate a gold coin which goes directly to the Winter Appeal.

Early Learning and Junior School students are encouraged to donate brand new beanies, socks, gloves or a scarf or an item of canned food.

Middle and Senior School students are encouraged to donate items of canned food.

Founder points will also be awarded per food item that is donated.

Staff will also be "dressed by Vinnie's" for the day and will donate cereal boxes. These will be set up underneath the sails during the day to see if we can break a record for the longest domino chain. There will also be a book sale, with prices starting at \$1, with money being directly donated to the Winter Appeal.



Whole School Mass

This Friday 18 June, we will join together in the Barrie Holmes Stadium at 9:00am to celebrate our Whole School Mass. The focus is Making the Ordinary Extraordinary, which we will see on Vinnie's Day. Until further notice, due to current restrictions, only staff members and students of the College are permitted to attend.

Youth Mass

Youth Mass is held on the 3rd Sunday of the month at the 5:00pm Saturday Mass at St Paul's Church, Penola Road. The next Youth Mass will be held on Saturday 19 June. The music and readings at this Mass are led by the young people from the College and the Parish. Please contact Marilena Wilson if you would like to be involved in this. The monthly Youth Mass is followed by a Youth Group dinner and discussion group. Young people in Year 8 and above are encouraged to attend.

Family Mass

Family Mass is held on the 4th Sunday of the month at the 11:00am Mass at St Paul's Church, Penola Road. The next Family Mass will be held on Sunday 27 June. The readings at this mass are led by the young people from the College and the Parish. Please contact Cisca Teodoro at <u>mgpsacraments@bigpond.com</u> or myself at <u>shanc@tenison.catholic.edu.au</u> if you would like to be involved with this. All families in our College community are invited to attend.

COYYA Youth Consultation - Raise Your Voice!

The Catholic Office for Youth and Young Adults (COYYA) will be visiting the South East from 19-21 June and working with young people in our Parish and College community. This is an opportunity for the voices of young people between the ages of 16 and 30 to provide feedback on life, the local church, and other issues relevant to this age group in preparation for the Diocesan Youth Assembly in August. This information will also be included in the consultation for the Diocesan Assembly in September.

Term 2 Masses at the College Chapel

A Mass is held each Thursday of the term and is led by a different class or year level each week. Mass is held at 9:15am in the College Chapel. Until further notice, due to current restrictions, only staff members and students of the College are permitted to attend.

The roster for Term 2 Masses:

Week 8	Thursday 17 June – No Mass
	Friday 18 June – Whole School Mass
Week 9	Thursday 24 June – Year 4/5
Week 10	Thursday 1 July – Year 8

Chloe Shanahan | Religious Education Coordinator



Vinnies Book Sale - Tomorrow

As part of the Tenison Woods College Vinnies Day tomorrow, Student Leaders will have books from Vinnies for sale in the Library all day. Parents are welcome to bring in their children before or after school to purchase a book. There will be a QR code in the Library for adults to sign in. Books are priced from \$1 - \$3. Please contact myself at <u>lloyd@tenison.catholic.edu.au</u> for more details.

Chris Lloyd | Teacher Librarian



Hi, our names are Maixence Williams and Amelia Taylor and we are the 2021 Music Leaders for Tenison Woods College. Term 2 in the music department has been busy with multiple performances from our entire music cohort.

We started this term with the Jazz Warm Up Concert in lieu of Generations in Jazz. This featured the majority of our senior ensembles including Big Band, Small Jazz Ensemble, Senior Vocal Ensemble and Concert Choir. Throughout the Term we have continued to record our 'virtual' concerts (namely our Junior Concert Band and the Year 5 Band Program). The Tenison Woods College Junior School has been very fortunate this Term to have been presented with performances from the Year 3-5 ensembles as well as the "Just Add Music" Band, who provided an entertaining, interactive, and educational performance which featured

Thunder Drum Corps performed out in the community at a Pioneer's basketball game and provided half time entertainment. We are looking forward to their future performances throughout this season.

colourful costumes, funny characters and exciting songs.

As always, music features predominantly at our whole school Masses and assemblies. Our liturgical ensemble and choir will soon be performing for our upcoming Mass.

We are also excited for the Spark Choir to be performing at our end of Term whole school assembly.

We already know that Term 3 will be busy with ensembles and choirs already entered into the local Mount Gambier Choral and Vocal Eisteddfod and Music Eisteddfod, and a state-wide ABODA band festival. We thank our musicians for their contributions to the school music program and wish them the best of luck for the coming Terms.

Maxience Williams and Amelia Taylor | Music Leaders





Matific Results

It is with great pleasure that the College shares the results from the Matific maths competition that many Tenison Woods College Junior School students participated in during Week 6 of this Term. Overall Tenison Woods College was ranked 5th in Australia/New Zealand which is an outstanding achievement. The College's highest ranking students did exceptionally well in the competition, and should be acknowledged for their efforts:

Brax Edwards Charlie Little Adelaide Bradley Kiahna Little Mackenzie Harrold Kareena Ghosh Ranked 29th in Year 1 Ranked 62nd in Year 3 Ranked 14th in Year 4 Ranked 74th in Year 4 Ranked 77th in Year 4 Ranked 11th in Year 6

Congratulations to all of the participants. It was great to see them so enthusiastic and willing to work on the activities during their own time over the two days of competition. A certificate will be coming their way shortly. The College looks forward to running the competition again next year in an even bigger capacity.

Elisa Lawrie | Early Years - Year 6 Pathways Coordinator



Creative Arts Students Gain Insight Into Career Opportunities

On Tuesday, Year 9, 10 and 11 Digital Creative Arts students were lucky enough to chat with Mathew Mackereth, Senior Lighting Artist at Rising Sun Pictures. He spoke about his career to date and as a local growing up in Mount Gambier until he was 17. He was able to give true insight into how regional students can enter a growing industry. He explained all the different career paths that Rising Sun Pictures offers including concept art, riggers, pipeline directors, environment artists, compositors and lighting artists. There can be up to 200 employees working at Rising Sun Pictures at a time and roles start at a junior level where people can work their way up. The students were given the opportunity to ask questions to be able to see the relevance of what they are studying at the College and how it can be an actual career. Mathew enforced the importance of having a great portfolio of work and being motivated, enthusiastic and keen in such a dynamic industry.

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



Staff Professional Development Days

Over the course of Thursday 10 and Friday 11 June, staff enjoyed two professional development days. They devoted time to literacy experiences in the Junior School, integrated curriculum in the Middle School, student agency in the Senior School, as well as evolving further our wellbeing approach across the school from the ELCC to Year 12. Education Support Officers also completed the Youth Mental Health First Aid Course.

The College trusts students and parents will experience the benefits of the days, through its service to students and families throughout the College.

Upcoming Events:

Thursday 17 June

- Vinnies Day, Casual Clothes Gold coin donation
- Year 5 Tree Planting with Bird Life Excursion, 9:30am-2:00pm, Dismal Swamp

Friday 18 June

- Whole School Mass, 9:00am-10:00am, Barrie Holmes Stadium
- Year 5 Matilda the Musical Performance, 10:30am-3:00pm, Mary MacKillop School

Saturday 19 June

• Parish Mass, 5:00pm, St Paul's Church

Sunday 20 June

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

Monday 21 June

- World Refugee Day
- Term 3 Reception Visit, 9:00am-12:00pm
- Open Football departs for Adelaide

Tuesday 22 June

- Open Football, Adelaide
- Year 8 and 9 Open Girls Soccer, Tenison Woods College and Malseed Park

Wednesday 23 June

- Semester 1 Year 10 Exams
- Year 10 PLP Session 5, 9:00am-3:20pm
- Combined Board Meeting, 6:00pm-8:00pm, PRC Lecture Theatre

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Wallaby Visit at the ELCC

The Early Learning and Community Centre MacKillop Room have been learning more about Native Australian Animals. As part of this, the children recently had a visit from Wildlife Rescuer, Simone, who brought with her two five-month-old Rock Wallabies! Simone explained her role in caring for injured wildlife, while the children got to see, pat and hold the joeys. The children were also lucky enough to be invited to name the two baby boy joeys as 'Rocky' and 'Wally'.

Angela Cutting | Teacher, Assistant Director of Early Learning



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AFTER SCHOOL STUDY CENTRE

SENIOR SCHOOL - PRC COMMON ROOM

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MONDAY:

RESEARCH PROJECT PLP CHEMISTRY MATHS

TUESDAY:

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PSYCHOLOGY
BIOLOGY
MATHS
ENGLISH

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