

Weekly Newsletter



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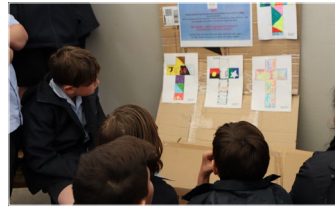
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National Homelessness Week Solidarity Walk



Last Friday 6 August students in classes across the College walked in solidarity for people who are homeless. There were five stations set up throughout the Mall and Chapel with objects to consider, facts to learn, and a prayer to say together. Students not only learned more about the issue of homelessness but were also challenged to consider how they, and our community, can take action. Suggestions from classes included fundraising for a swag or sleeping bag, donating cans, warm clothing and bedding to Vinnies, and contacting Members of Parliament to discuss social housing funding.

Chris Lloyd | CIM Coordinator





From the Principal

Founders Week Fun and Fundraising

This week we celebrate the legacy of our College founders with Founders Week. On their Founder celebration day, students have been encouraged to wear their PE uniform and a splash of their house colour with a ribbon, socks, and the like.

Our Year 12, 9 and 6 Founder leaders will lead a number of lunchtime activities for students that will accumulate house points towards the Founders Cup.

- Monday: MacKillop
- Tuesday: Woods
- Wednesday: McAuley
- Friday: Champagnat

Prayer on each of the Founder celebration days above has been a video led by our Years 6, 9 and 12 Founder leaders, which provided a little more insight into each of our founders. These were in the SEQTA notices for classes to access.

On Thursday, we will celebrate Charity Day, with a focus on following in the footsteps of our founders and our long standing connection to Timor-Leste. We will begin with a Whole School Online Liturgy, followed by activities run by Year 12 students in buddy classes in the Barrie Holmes Stadium.

Timor-Leste inspired market stalls will be selling items for gold coins at lunchtime. Students on Thursday are encouraged to wear casual clothes and bring a gold coin donation.

ELCC Teepee Thanks

The ELCC children were delighted to enjoy their new tepee as part of the ELCC nature play redevelopment. Thanks to Marcus Benjamin, of Blue Lake Homes, who donated his time and talents to creating an outstanding piece of play equipment for the children offering a variety of climbing and creative play opportunities. I was delighted with Marcus' efforts, who was joined by another former student, Henry Shoemark, apprentice carpenter with Blue Lake Homes, to assist in its installation last Saturday morning.



Pictured are Marcus, Kathryn and Oscar Benjamin, with Oscar offering that critical quality control by testing it out. Also pictured (right) are Marcus and Henry on Saturday morning.

Help Us Improve - Community LLL Perception Surveys

I am asking your assistance to help us improve as a school community. A Living, Learning, Leading (LLL) Perception Survey about our College Community has been developed. The survey will take approximately twenty minutes to complete, and is anonymous.

By the conclusion of Week 5 of Term 3 all Catholic Schools in South Australia will complete the Catholic Education SA (CESA) LLL Perception Surveys. The surveys are a product of a collaboration between CESA and Curtin University and are focussed on the development, validation and use of a system-wide survey to examine the understanding of the vision and extent to which Catholic Education SA's Living Learning Leading Framework is taking place in schools as perceived by students, family and staff.

Further details about the completion of the surveys are located below. Each survey has been trialled, refined and piloted in a range of CESA school settings and the development team is confident that schools will derive very useful information for planning and improvement.

To respond the LLL Parent and Caregiver Survey at Tenison Woods College in 2021, please visit www.NSIPartnerships.com.au and enter the code **TWCLLLP** in the Start Questionnaire field.

I am hoping you can offer some time to ensure we continue to refine our processes and improve the learning, wellbeing and faith environment for your child or adolescent.

COVID-19 – HHDL The Way Forward

I thank the whole College community for their continued deliberate, careful and patient approach to the South Australian COVID-19 restrictions over the past week.

We will continue to deliberately and carefully continue with our HHDL Strategy in Term 3, asserting good Health, good Hygiene and hand washing, good Distancing and care for others, and good Learning regardless of student location.

As always, the health and wellbeing of students, families and staff remains our priority. If your family are needing to self-isolate please contact your child's teacher and they will ensure that your child's learning will progress through our Connect@Tenison strategy.

It is clear to me that, as has been shown by recent national events, complacency continues to be our enemy at this time, so I ask that you maintain the high HHDL standards which have been achieved since 2020 and continued into 2021. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

A friendly reminder that masks are still mandatory for Year 7-12 students. Therefore, whilst the College does have masks available for students who have not brought their own to school, students are reminded of the importance of bringing their own. Students who repeatedly forget to bring their mask will have a courtesy email sent home to their parent/caregiver.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

2022 Senior School Subject Counselling

Subject selection for 2022 Year 10, 11 & 12 students will be taking place on the following dates and times:

- Thursday 16 and Friday 17 September, Mount Gambier - 8:45am to 6:00pm
- Monday 20 September, Penola - 4:15pm to 7:30pm
- Tuesday 21 September, Millicent - 4:15pm to 7:30pm

Student Curriculum Information sessions will be taking the place of our Careers Expo this year for our students due to COVID-19 restrictions. These sessions occur on the dates below during Pastoral Care:

- 19 August: 2022 Year 11 Subject Counselling Presentation
- 26 August: 2022 Year 12 Subject Counselling Presentation

Further information can be found here:

- [Year 7 Curriculum Handbook](#)
- [Year 8 Curriculum Handbook](#)
- [Year 9 Curriculum Handbook](#)
- [Senior School Curriculum Handbook](#)
- [Senior School Subject Selection Guide](#)

Best wishes for this significant process for students and families.

Reception Enrolments 2022

I advise parents and caregivers that interviews are beginning for all 2022 Term 1 Reception Enrolments. If you have a child who is due to start school in 2022 and have not lodged an enrolment form, please contact Tracey Davey on 8725 5455 who will help you organise this.

School Crossing Reminders

I remind parents about the 25kmph speed limit through the School Crossing when the lights are flashing or at any time when children are present.

Crossing monitors are on duty from 8:20am – 8:40am in the morning and from 3:10pm – 3:30pm in the afternoon to cross students safely. If a parent or child pedestrian is stopped there, waiting to cross, even before the crossing monitors have arrived please stop and allow them to cross.

As per legislation, you are asked not to obstruct the crossing, whilst waiting in a line-up of traffic.

We are looking at measures with the City of Mount Gambier to minimise the congestion in and around our carparks, but I ask for your cooperation, presence and patience during these challenging winter weeks.

"Little Lambs" Faith Formation Group

Little Lambs program is now taking registrations for weekly Thursday morning sessions. 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.

The Assumption – Sunday 15 August

Sunday 15 August is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Feast of the Assumption commemorates Mary's entrance into Heaven, body and soul.

Mary is for Catholics a special symbol, reinforcing our confidence that death is not an end. In her assumption Mary is a wonderful sign of hope for us, because, after her Son, she is the first to be assumed body and soul into heaven. Just as Mary's Immaculate Conception is a symbol of what God is doing for all people, her Assumption is also a symbol of what will happen to all people in the 'ages to come' when everyone who has died will be given a new and different kind of life.

As Saint John Vianney indicated "Jesus Christ, after having given us all He could give, that is to say, the merit of his toils, His sufferings, and His bitter death; after having given us His Adorable Body and Blood to be the Food of our souls, willed also to give us the most precious thing He had left, which was His holy Mother."

So, the Assumption is a feast of profound hope; a hope that inspires all we do as a Christian community, because, as reiterated by Saint John Vianney, "Jesus on the Cross said to the disciple whom He loved: "Behold your Mother!" How sweet are those words to the Christian who is able to understand what depths of love they contain!"

God Bless,
David Mezinec | Principal



CIM Team News

Founders Week

The College has been a buzz this week as our students celebrate Founders Week. It has been wonderful to see students coming together in their house groups to participate in lunchtime activities offered by our student leaders. With the MacKillop, Woods and McAuley houses having already celebrated the legacy of their founder, we look forward to celebrating with the Champagnat house on Friday.

Whole School Online Liturgy and Charity Day

Tomorrow, we will celebrate Charity Day, focusing on following in the footsteps of our founders and our long standing connection to Timor-Leste. We will begin the day with a Whole School Online Liturgy, followed by activities run by Year 12 students in buddy classes in the Barrie Holmes Stadium. Timor-Leste inspired market stalls will be selling items between 50c and \$2 at lunchtime. Students on Thursday are encouraged to wear casual clothes and bring a gold coin donation.

Guidelines for Casual Clothes Day:

- Students are to wear neat casual clothes that are appropriate for general learning
- Shoes must comply with safety standards: they must be closed in and protect feet
- No thongs, sandals, ugg boots or heels to be worn
- General clothing must be of a respectable standard: no brief or skimpy shorts, tops or skirts

Sacramental Preparation Program

A reminder that families involved in the program must attend Family Session E, tomorrow Thursday 12 August, at either 4:30pm-5:45pm or 6:45pm-8:00pm at St Paul's Hall.

All families have been emailed information about the Confirmation and First Eucharist mass on either Saturday 11 September at 6:00pm or Sunday 12 September at 11:30am. Please ensure you let Cisca know which mass you will be in attendance at and the number of people attending due to current restrictions.

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 14 August. 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.

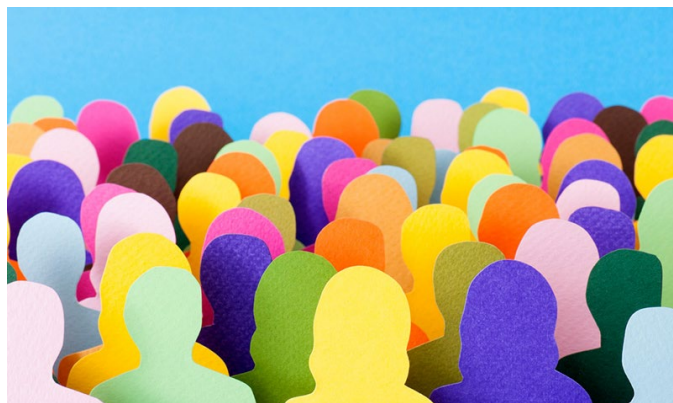
Term 3 Masses at the College Chapel

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 3 Masses:

Week 4	Thursday 12 August – Founders Week Online Virtual Liturgy (no Mass)
Week 5	Thursday 19 August – Year 11
Week 6	Thursday 26 August – Year 9
Week 7	Thursday 2 September – Year 6
Week 8	Thursday 9 September – Year 8
Week 9	Thursday 16 September – Year 10
Week 10	Thursday 23 September – Year 7

Chloe Shanahan | Religious Education Coordinator



2021 Commonwealth Census

In accordance with Australian Government Guidelines, the Commonwealth Census was undertaken on Friday, 6 August 2021. A link has been provided for a copy of the Department's privacy notice. The notice provides information about why the data is collected and for what purpose it may be used for. Any enquiries or questions please contact myself at lindj@tenison.catholic.edu.au.

Jessica Lindner | Finance



Book Week Costume Donations

The Year 7/8 M.A.D. Make a Difference classes would love donations of costumes that children have grown out of or no longer want. The M.A.D. students will organise, mend, etc and then distribute to children who would otherwise not have a costume. Book Week is in Week 6 of this term. The theme is Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds so that gives lots of options for dressing up. Costumes can be dropped into me at the Library or the CIM Office.

Chris Lloyd | Teacher Librarian

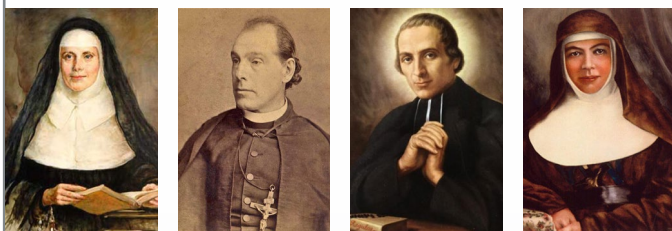
Leader's Latest



Throughout this week Tenison Woods College has been celebrating the spirit of our College founders with Founder's Week. Across these celebrations, the Year 12, 9 and 6 Founder Leaders have conducted several lunchtime activities accumulating house points towards the Founder's Cup. With these activities, students have been encouraged to wear PE uniform with a piece of their house colour in the form of a ribbon, socks, etc on each of their founder days. Throughout the activities, we have been enhancing the ways of our founders and looking at the incredible things they have done throughout their lives.

On Thursday 12 August, Tenison Woods College will be celebrating Charity Day. Throughout this day, we will be enhancing the spirits of our founder leaders as well as connecting with our brothers and sisters of Timor-Leste. Throughout Charity Day students are encouraged to bring a gold coin as well as wearing their casual clothes. All money fundraised on the day will be donated to those less fortunate than us in Timor-Leste. A whole school online liturgy will begin our day encouraging us to embrace the day ahead. Following on, the annual Charity Day event will be "Minute to Win it" games, gathering Founder points for each team. This year the event will be recorded and shared for everyone to watch Friday! This annual Charity Day event will see our Year 6, 9 & 12 Founder Leaders, School Captains, Head of Senior School Ciaran Buckley, Principal David Mezinac, and Deputy Principal Michelle Coote getting involved. Afterward, students are invited to engage in activities run by the Year 12 students with buddy classes in the Barrie Holmes Stadium. Later on throughout lunch, stalls inspired by Timor-Leste will be selling items such as bookmarks, books and cupcakes for gold coins under the sails. We are looking forward to an exciting day on Thursday, and can't wait to see everyone getting involved in the activities planned!

Alice Circelli and Madison Fatchen | Mission Leaders



Year 11 Student Making it Big in the Business World

Year 11 student, Jess Tresidder has received a \$15,000 Business Scholarship from Business News Australia in recognition of her outstanding business and entrepreneurial talent. The Scholarship provides \$9,000 for business-related purposes, and \$6,000 worth of mentoring/business resources from a range of companies with expertise in business growth and entrepreneurialism.

Following the purchase of a second-hand etching machine to make personalised key chains, Jess created an Etsy account in late February when she found they were popular with her school peers.

"I'm not sure what happened, it blew up overnight," Jess says.

Jess has filled 308 orders in the four months since the business launched, including "bulk" purchases from companies buying sometimes 20 key rings at a time on Etsy. She also credits word of mouth for her customer base, with school kids and parents coming to her directly for the personalised products.

The business, [Wild Hazel Designs](#), is now on the Etsy bestseller list.

School Principal, David Mezinac and Head of Senior School, Ciaran Buckley, presented Jess with her Certificate of Scholarship Recognition on behalf of Business News Australia.

Congratulations Jess!

Jody Elliott | Careers Coordinator



Year 10 Child Studies Reading with Reception Students

Students in Miss Asimakopoulou's Year 10 Child Studies class are spending one lesson a week in the Reception classrooms gaining valuable skills in working one-on-one and in small groups with our littlest learners.

Elisa Lawrie | EY-6 Pathways Coordinator



Maixence Williams Maritime Operations Course

Year 11 student Maixence Williams has been studying a Certificate II in Maritime Operations at the Australian Maritime & Fisheries Academy!

Maixence is pictured below, second from the right, during her Practical Modules for the Coxswains Inner Coastal Maritime course in Port Adelaide earlier this year. Well done, Maixence!

Photo is courtesy of Australian Maritime & Fisheries Academy.

Joanne Maclean | VET Coordinator



Year 10 Concept to Construction Major Product

Late last term, students from Concept to Construction completed their major project, a seesaw for the newly developed ELCC area. The project started with a design brief listing the features of the project. Students then designed their own CAD version of the seesaw using the design brief to drive their design ideas. From the list of seesaw designs, the students then selected the 'best' design, one that met the constraints of the design brief. Students then analysed the chosen 3D model to improve their design to comply with the Australian Standards. Once the seesaw design was approved, students then created a cut list, proposed timeline and a list of roles and responsibilities for their group to complete over the construction phase. The timber used in this project had been graciously donated by One Forty One Forestry Group.

Once the project was completed, students installed the seesaw in the ELCC play area for all children to use and enjoy, a great project with an amazing end result!

George Adamopoulos | Business, Enterprise and Technology (BET) Teacher



Upcoming Events:

Thursday 12 August

- Charity Day, Students permitted to wear Casual Clothes
- Sacrament Family Session E, St Paul's Hall, 4:45pm - 6:00pm or 6:45pm - 8:00pm

Friday 13 August

- Founders Week - Champagnat Celebration Day
- Champagnat Lunchtime Activities, Barrie Holmes Stadium, 1:20pm - 2:00pm
- Year 3-6 Assembly, Barrie Holmes Stadium, 2:05pm - 2:35pm (no parents please)
- Reception - Year 2 Assembly, Barrie Holmes Stadium, 2:40pm - 3:10pm (no parents please)

Saturday 14 August

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

Sunday 15 August

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

Monday 16 August

- Year 11 Outdoor Education Bushwalking/Cycling Camp, Robe
- Year 8/9 Boys Football (Round 2), Rostrevor College
- Year 10 PLP Session 9, 12:00pm - 3:20pm
- SAPSASA Girls Football Trials, Tenison Woods College, 1:00pm - 2:30pm
- 2022 Year 7 & 8 Subject Finalisation, St Anthony's Catholic Primary School, 5:00pm - 6:00pm

Tuesday 17 August

- Year 11 Outdoor Education Bushwalking/Cycling Camp, Robe
- Year 8/9 Boys Football (Round 2), Rostrevor College
- ICAS English Competition, Library, 9:00am - 11:00am
- 2022 Year 7 & 8 Subject Finalisation, Mary MacKillop Memorial School, 4:30pm - 5:30pm
- 2022 Year 7 & 8 Subject Finalisation, Naracoorte, 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Wednesday 18 August

- Year 11 Outdoor Education Bushwalking/Cycling Camp, Robe
- 2022 Year 7-9 Webchoice



Timor-Leste Inspired Market Stalls

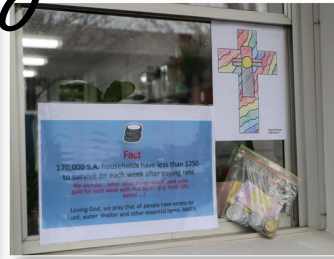
This Thursday 12 August, the College will be hosting its annual Charity Day. As part of this year's initiative, classes will be selling items at the Timor-Leste inspired market stalls for 50c to \$2, located in the mall.

The items and activities available for students to purchase during lunchtime include:

- Books, bookmarks and puzzles
- Freshly baked goods (including gluten free options)
- Jelly
- Popcorn
- Scrunchies and traditional Timorese tais
- Project Recology items
- Bracelets, earrings and keyrings
- Plants in reused cups
- Face painting
- Hair braiding
- Rock painting
- Guess how many lollies are in the jar
- Biscuit decorating
- Longest kick competition

To ensure you don't miss out on the fun please remember to bring your gold coins tomorrow!

National Homelessness Week Solidarity Walk



Charity Day

Thursday 12 August

Students are invited to wear casual clothes and bring gold coins for casual clothes, activities and the market. All proceeds donated to Timor-Leste.

Buddy class activities will be run throughout the day for a gold coin. Items will be sold during lunch time at the Timor-Leste inspired markets.



Founders Week Activities



St Mary MacKillop



Fr Julian Tenison Woods



St Marcellin Champagnat



Venerable Catherine McAuley

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Monday 9 August - MACKILLOP CELEBRATION DAY

Mackillop

MacKillop students are encouraged to wear their PE uniform and accessorise with ribbons, socks etc to celebrate MacKillop Day. Lunchtime activities will be led by MacKillop Founder Leaders.



Tuesday 10 August - WOODS CELEBRATION DAY

Woods

Woods students are encouraged to wear their PE uniform and accessorise with ribbons, socks etc to celebrate Woods Day. Lunchtime activities will be led by Woods Founder Leaders.



Wednesday 11 August - MCAULEY CELEBRATION DAY

McAuley

McAuley students are encouraged to wear their PE uniform and accessorise with ribbons, socks etc to celebrate McAuley Day. Lunchtime activities will be led by McAuley Founder Leaders.



Thursday 12 August - CHARITY DAY

Charity Day Activities

Charity Day will begin with a Whole School Online Liturgy, followed by activities run by Year 12 students in buddy classes in the Barrie Holmes Stadium. Students are encouraged to wear casual clothes and bring gold coin donations. All proceeds will be donated to Timor-Leste, with Founder points distributed based on dollars raised. Timor-Leste inspired market stalls will sell items for gold coins during lunchtime.

Friday 13 August - CHAMPAGNAT CELEBRATION DAY

Champagnat

Champagnat students are encouraged to wear their PE uniform and accessorise with ribbons, socks etc to celebrate Champagnat Day. Lunchtime activities will be led by Champagnat Founder Leaders.



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AFTER SCHOOL STUDY CENTRE

SENIOR SCHOOL - PRC COMMON ROOM

ART AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST, TUTORING IS PROVIDED EACH NIGHT FOR STUDENTS

MONDAY:

RESEARCH PROJECT

PLP

CHEMISTRY

MATHS

TUESDAY:

P.E.

PSYCHOLOGY

BIOLOGY

MATHS

ENGLISH

THURSDAY:

CHEMISTRY

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MATHS

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