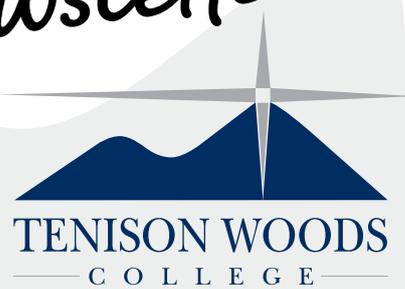


Weekly Newsletter



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Reception - Year 6 Sports Day Returns!

For the first time next week we will see the Reception to Year 6 Sports Day at Marist Park. Reception students will be meeting their teachers in their classrooms and then walking down to Marist Park.

Year 1-6 students will go straight to Marist Park in the morning, not to school, and meet their teachers there. All students are to wear their full PE uniform but can wear coloured ribbons or socks, no coloured hair spray.

The day will begin at 8:50am with an opening from Mr Meziniec and prayer by Father Peter. The year levels will begin their rotation of events and activities as per the timetable.

The Reception to Year 2 students will finish their day at 12:30pm. They have the option to go home or return to school with their teacher. They have been busy practising the team games and skills with their Physical Education teacher over the past few weeks. R-2 students will not be ordering lunches for the day but can access the Sugarloaf with their families.

We thank the Sugarloaf Café for providing us with food for the day.

There will be NO need to pre-order but cash payment on the day will be preferred - EFTPOS will be available.

Attached is the link to the program should parents wish to attend any part of the day. All parents will need to QR code into the event and we encourage you to wear a mask as per our HHDL plan.

The day will conclude around 3:10pm with the presentations of the Year Level Boy and Girl champions and the announcement of the overall winning team. For any further enquiries, please email me oppet@tenison.catholic.edu.au

Please see below the timetable of events.

Tina Opperman | Year 5 Teacher / R-6 Sports Coordinator

Sports Day Catering by the Sugarloaf Café:

- Sausages - \$2.00
- Hamburgers - \$4.00
- Salad Rolls - \$5.00
- Mini Chicken Wraps - \$4.00
- Nachos - \$5.00
- Cookies - Chocolate and Fruit - \$2.00
- Cookies Plain - \$1.00
- Water - \$2.50
- Fruit Box - \$2.00

Reception - Year 6 Sports Day - Friday 4 March TIMETABLE OF EVENTS



8.30am - 8.40am: All students Year 1-6 to be at Marist Park to meet their Homegroup teacher and mark roll. Reception Students to meet in their Classrooms and after roll call will be taken to Marist Park.

8.50am: Introduction of the day and official opening by Principal, David Meziniec and Deacon Olek.

9.00am: Team Chants led by Year 6 Founder Leaders

1st EVENTS (R-6)

TIME	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
9.15am	Rob the Nest and Egg and Spoon Race	Sack Race and Bean Bag Toss	Tug of War and Under and Over	Sprint (100m)	Shot Put	200m	Long Jump
9.45am	Tug of War and Under and Over	Rob the Nest and Egg and Spoon Race	Sack Race and Bean Bag Toss	Discus	Sprint (100m)	Shot Put	200m
10.15am	Sack Race and Bean Bag Toss	Tug of War and Under and Over	Rob the Nest and Egg and Spoon Race	200m	Discus	Sprint (100m)	Shot Put

10.45am - 11.00am - RECESS

	RECEPTION (Jeffrey and Prosperity-Porta)	RECEPTION (Window and Glead + Poplars)	YEAR 1	YEAR 2
11.00am	60m Sprint	Obstacle Course	Baton Relay	Sprint (70m)
11.20am	Baton Relay	60m Sprint	Obstacle Course	Long Jump
12.00pm	Obstacle Course	Baton Relay	60m Sprint	Shot Put

R-2 students dismissed at 12.30pm

TIME	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
11.00am	Long Jump	Team Games/Break	Hurdles	Sprint (100m)
11.30am	Team Games/Break	Long Jump	Discus	Hurdles
12.10pm	Shot Put	Hurdles	Team Games/Break	Discus
12.50pm	Hurdles	200m	Long Jump	High Jump

Team Games - tunnel ball - under and over - sack race

1.30pm - 1.50pm: LUNCH

Choice of bringing packed lunch or students can purchase from the Sugarloaf lunch stall - BBQ, kebabs, wraps and rolls

2.00pm - 2.20pm: Year 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 x 400m (any student can enter - 1 lap of Marist Park)

2.20pm - 2.40pm: Year Level Relays - 1 girl and 1 boy per class nominated by HG teacher + teacher team

2.45pm - 3.00pm: Year Level Sprints - Fastest boy and girl from each House group

3.00pm: Presentations

3.10pm: Clean up and Dismissal



From the Principal

Lenten Season and Project Compassion – For All Future Generations

Next week is Shrove Tuesday pancake fundraising day and Ash Wednesday liturgies mark the start of Lent; the season in which we prepare for Easter.

Students are being encouraged to develop a communal action during the Lenten season to bring about change in our world with their class. Fundraising throughout the six weeks of Lent will contribute to **Caritas Australia's Project Compassion Campaign**. Once again, this Lent Caritas Australia calls us to support Project Compassion under the theme of 'For All Future Generations', which is an expression of hope, and reminds us that the good that we do today will extend and impact the lives of generations to come. It invites us to make the world a better place by working together now and finding long-term solutions to global issues.

This year's theme comes from the biblical story of Noah's Ark. When the flood waters subsided, a dove returned with an olive branch indicating a new beginning. God set a rainbow in the sky as a sign of a special and unbreakable relationship with the human family and the entire earth. God said, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations.' (Genesis 9:12).

Project Compassion 2022 shares the stories of resilient and inspiring individuals whose lives and futures have been impacted by the ongoing support of Caritas and its supporters. We will be encouraging students to discover the power of giving and the impact that their contribution, however big or small, can have in the lives of others. When we lend a hand to someone in need, they will go on to help others and make better opportunities for future generations.

Be the One During Lent and Project Compassion

Compassion is contagious and creates a ripple effect of kindness and prosperity. During Lent I encourage students to "Be the One" who is the pebble to create the ripples that will improve the livelihoods of vulnerable communities. This generosity enables Caritas Australia to support them to flourish and create opportunities for future generations to live to their full potential and thrive.

Supporting Project Compassion is a way we can proclaim the faith that is in our hearts and help our brothers and sisters in need. During Lent, we are invited to take up the call to fast, pray and give alms - in solidarity as a global community.

Our commitment to marginalised people is a direct response to the Christian call to 'act justly, love mercifully, and walk humbly with our God.'

COVID-19 and HHDL - Settings for Week 5-8

The Minister for Education made an announcement last week about the settings that will apply to schools and early childhood from Week 5-8. The settings from Week 9 will be the subject of further negotiation as that time approaches.

Settings that are unchanged for Weeks 5-8

- Face masks for adults
- Ventilation
- Minimising use of staff rooms
- Camps not allowed (exception below)
- Management of close contacts in schools (and test to stay for classroom contacts)
- Staff meetings online
- No events involving parents or visitors to be held indoors (school tours exception below)
- Indoor school events to continue on a class-by-class basis

Activities that may resume from Week 5

- Interschool sports
- Extra-curricular activities which occur indoors including but not limited to choir, band, instrumental lessons (with external tutors allowed on site).
- SACE required camps.
- Day excursions and incursions (held outdoors where possible but may proceed indoors also).
- Outdoor year level and whole school assemblies and masses.
- Parents and visitors attending outdoor events – including but not limited to sports days, weekend sport, and other events such as school assemblies and masses and Rite Journey calling ceremonies.
- Prospective parent tours and prospective parent information nights even where this involves indoor components.

- Staff Professional Development in small groups where this cannot effectively be conducted online.
- Volunteers may attend school sites as required by the school.
- Polling stations may be hosted by schools for the State Election as the Electoral Commission has in place COVID safe protocols.

We continue to accentuate HHDL (Health, hygiene, distance, learning) as our approach to keeping the community safe, accentuating particularly

- the wearing of masks
 - natural ventilation
 - minimising movement and visitors within the school
 - maintaining Subschool delineation as much as is possible to minimise the risk of COVID-19 transmission across the College community
- To this end we ask that parents try to minimise their entry to the College as much as their child's wellbeing (not the parent's) will allow.

Masks on Buses

We reiterate to families the expectation that 7-12 students wear protective masks on buses. Younger children are encouraged to wear masks to offer optimum protection in the confined bus space.

Thank you and Farewell – Heather Widdison

This week we celebrate the dedicated service and commitment of Heather Widdison, who has given 30 years of service to St Paul's School and Tenison Woods College. Heather has served in a variety of roles, and most recently as Payroll Officer for the College. We thank Heather for her attention to detail, stewardship of resources and care for her colleagues, that has expressed through exemplary service as Payroll Officer.

Heather's last formal day is today, Wednesday 23 February. While Heather is not one for drawing attention to herself and making a fuss, she retires with the gratitude of our College community and Catholic Education South Australia for her outstanding service.

Working Bee – Saturday 5 March 2022 – Be the One!

Once again, we invite parents to our Pop-Up Working Bee Work Out Circuit under the guidance of our College Grounds Team Trainers Justin, Andy, Nick and Sunny.

End of Week 5 Saturday 5 March 2022

Within half an hour they will give your abs and calves the best possible work out - free!

During the Working Bee Circuit, we are particularly looking to finalise the swale wetlands planting at the front of the school, barking, sand pit replenishing, and planting for the ELCC, Reception, Junior School and Middle School areas. We will also give our zones in Marist Park a good clean up.

We'd love as much help as you can offer – any time you could spare would be appreciated.

Please bring any gardening equipment you think could be of use: gloves, shovel, rakes, wheelbarrow, even your ute. The working bee will commence at 8.00am. Morning tea and refreshments will be supplied with a BBQ available from 10.00am. For those able to assist on the day we ask that you please complete this online form [here](#).

Building Excitement

Work is well and truly underway for the building of the Junior School (Year 1-6) building, in partnership with Edge Architect and Mossop Construction and Interiors, ready for occupation in 2023. Year 5 and Year 6 classes have been relocated to portable precincts adjacent to Gilap Wanga and the Thomas Ryan building, and currently civil engineering activities are in full swing. PRC Car Park

I remind the community that the carpark adjacent to the Pam Ronan Centre is a senior student carpark and not a kiss and drop zone. Kiss and drop zones are on the driveways running alongside the PRC, off White Avenue and in front of the Front Office area, off Shepherdson Road. Adherence to this approach will protect the safety of our young and avoid any unfortunate accidents.

Need a tutor? Studiosity is our free online tutoring service

I remind families that students of Tenison Woods College in Years 7-12 have access to a free online tutoring service. Students are able to connect to expert tutors for live, one-to-one conversations about homework, assignments and exam preparation from 3:00pm – 10:00pm Monday to Friday. Give it a try – I know you will appreciate the service offered by Studiosity!

God Bless,
David Mezinac | Principal

CIM Team News



Family Mass

Family Masses are held on the 4th Sunday of every month at 11:00am, St Paul's Church, Penola Road. The next Family Mass will be held this Sunday, 27 February. Please contact either Chloe Shanahan, Sally Telford or Cisca Teodoro at mgpsacraments@bigpond.com if you would like to be involved. All families from the College are encouraged to attend.

Whole School Mass

The Beginning of Year Whole School Mass will be held at Marist Park on Thursday 10 March at 9:00am. All parents and friends are welcome to attend. Please bring your own chair and hat. Due to current COVID restrictions, masks must be worn.

Shrove Tuesday

Next Tuesday 1 March is Shrove Tuesday. Pancakes are traditionally served on the Tuesday before Lent begins which historically was an opportunity for households to use up luxury food items before the season of Lent began. There will be pancakes available to purchase for \$1. All money raised will go to Project Compassion which begins its appeal on Wednesday 2 March. Reception-Year 7 classes will visit the Pancake Kitchen during class time. Year 8-12 students will be able to purchase from stalls set up on the lawns near the Home Ec Centre and out in Gilap Wanga during recess time.

Ash Wednesday

On Wednesday 2 March we will mark the start of the 40 days of the Liturgical season of Lent. All classes will attend a liturgy where each person will be marked with ashes on his/her forehead as a sign of repentance. The ashes are an outward symbol of the inward change we will make during Lent. Ash Wednesday is a time when we stop and assess how we're doing in our walk with God. Lent helps us identify spiritual areas in which we can grow and sinful areas that we need to avoid. To repent, put simply, means to turn away from sin and turn toward God. As this is a holy day of fasting and prayer, there will be no meat served in the Canteen or Sugarloaf Café. There will also be two masses offered at St Paul's Church, Penola Road at 12:05pm and 5:15pm.

Faith Facts

Here is the answer to last week's question:

Have you ever wondered why people sing religious songs or hymns?

Religious songs are sung together to celebrate God's message of love. The words in religious songs can teach us about God and Jesus. Religious songs often use words and ideas from the Bible (eg. songs about Jesus and Mary). Singing religious songs is a way of praying.

Sacramental Preparation Program

A reminder that families involved in the program must attend the first session on Thursday 3 March at either 4:30-5:45pm OR 6:45-8:00pm at St Paul's Hall.

Term 1 Masses in the College Chapel

Masses will not resume in the Chapel on a Thursday morning until Week 9 on advice from SA Health and CESA. Until further notice, due to current COVID restrictions, only staff members and students of the College are permitted to attend.

Chloe Shanahan | Religious Education Coordinator

Key Dates

Wednesday 23 February

College Board Meeting 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Monday 28 February

Year 2B Echo Farm Excursion: 9:00am - 11:00am

Year 10 PLP (1/2 day) Session 2: 12:00pm - 3:20pm

Year 7D & E Civics & Citizenships Excursion: 1:30pm - 3:00pm

Friday 4 March

Reception - Year 6 Sports Day

All whole school events have been deferred until Week 5 onwards



Uniform Shop Appointments

If customers would like to make an appointment with the uniform shop during our opening hours, parents/carers are welcome to book a time online. We will still see people who do not book appointments however, we ask that only 2 families come into the shop at one time. Thank you for your patience and understanding during these times.

The uniform shop operating hours are:

Tuesdays

8:00AM - 12:00PM

Thursdays

12:30PM - 4:30PM

Click [here](#) to make your online appointment



Old Scholar Achieves Great Success!

Congratulations to Old Scholar, Brad Rathjen, as he has signed with the North Adelaide Rockets Basketball Club to play in NBL1 Central.

Brad attended our College from 2010 to 2015, he was awarded the Barrie Holmes Memorial Basketball Scholarship by the Holmes family in 2015.

Well done Brad!

Photo courtesy of North Adelaide Rockets Basketball Club

School Fees Reminder

Account statements will be mailed out this week. All fees are due by Friday, 25 March 2022 unless an approved payment plan is in place. If you have not arranged a payment plan please complete the Payment Agreement Form [here](#) as soon as possible and return to the College in person or via email.

If you wish to take advantage of the 'early bird' discount by paying the full year's fees in advance, you have until Friday, 11 March 2022 to contact the Finance team to ascertain the amount you will need to pay.

If you have any queries regarding your 2022 fees please contact us via email at accounts@tenison.catholic.edu.au.

Leader's Latest



Hello everyone and welcome to the 2022 school year! Our names are Riley Turnbull and Tess Kenseley and we are your College Captains for the coming year. We welcome you to the first article from the student leadership team for this year.

We hope all students and families have begun their school year well, considering the unusual start. We loved seeing everyone back in person last week, and we looked forward to coming around to meet with as many students as we can.

We have had various meetings alongside our senior leadership team in the last couple of weeks, and have many events planned that we look forward to sharing with you all. We will be regularly meeting with the middle and junior leadership students to hear the ideas from their sub school and to share ideas and plan school wide events alongside them.

We have enjoyed gathering suggestions for the school bell song through class-based surveys. Listen out to the selected songs being played as our bell throughout the year. Term 1 is already looking very busy with events such as Athletics Day, Caritas K's and Clean Up Australia Day which are always highlights of the school calendar. Personally, we are most looking forward to being at the whole school assembly and particularly the first whole school mass where we will walk in alongside our Reception buddies for the first time.

Have a great week!

Tess Kenseley and Riley Turnbull | 2022 School Captains



Craig Baker Secures Traineeship

Year 11 student, Craig Baker is currently undertaking a school-based traineeship in our Sugarloaf Café, working as a barista while studying for a Certificate III in Hospitality.

Craig is our first school-based Hospitality trainee we've had at the College, and he's doing a great job! Well done, Craig!



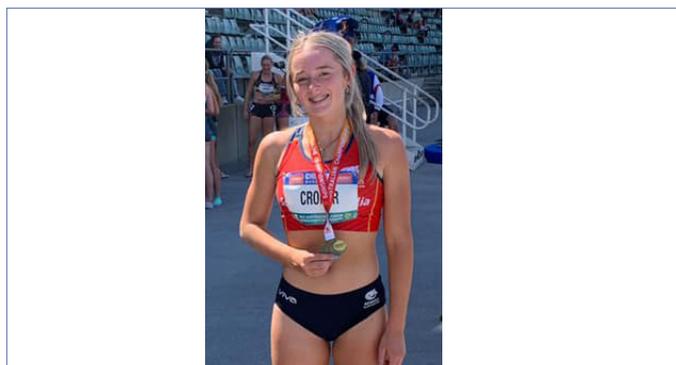
Henry Snell Secures Apprenticeship

Congratulations to 2022 Year 12 student, Henry Snell, as he has secured a Certificate III Electrical apprenticeship with Godrik Construction & Electrical!

Henry impressed during his 3 weeks of work experience over a 6-month period, and was offered an apprenticeship in his final week. His role includes working in residential and commercial areas, working diagnostically to solve problems.

Congratulations Henry, we wish you all the best in your bright future!

Pictured is Mother and College Year 3 Teacher Liz Snell, Henry Snell, and Head of Senior School Ciaran Buckley.



Leila Croker strikes gold!

Congratulations to former student, Leila Croker, as she won Gold in the Heptathlon at the recent Australian Championships!

Leila recently moved to Adelaide to pursue her promising Athletics career. Great work, Leila!

Photo courtesy of Limestone Coast Regional Sporting Academy



Chris Catalano Secures Apprenticeship

Congratulations to 2022 Year 12 Student, Chris Catalano, as he has secured a Certificate III in Light Automotive.

Chris impressed while on his 3-week work experience and was offered an Apprenticeship at the Barry Maney Group. His role includes general services on all types of cars, for example, oil changing, wheel alignment and fuel filters.

Congratulations Chris, we wish you all the best in your bright future!

Pictured above is mother Lisa, Chris and Head of Senior School Ciaran Buckley.



QKR! App Important Reminders

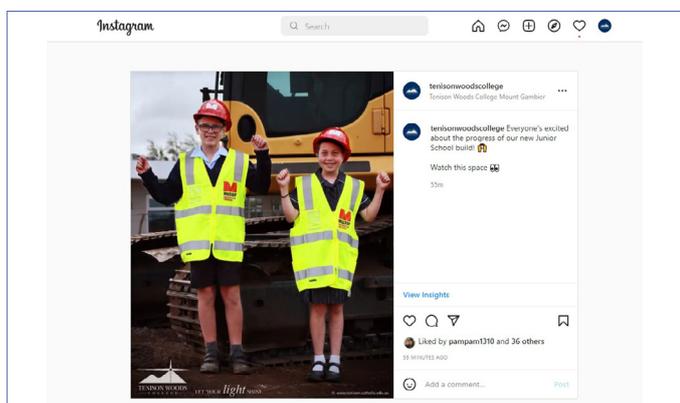
When using the QKR! App for canteen orders, please be reminded of the below points. Please take care when ordering. User accuracy is extremely important when using the QKR! App. Please be vigilant with student name, and class. If you have made a mistake, you can click profile on the QKR home page, and edit the student's profile.

- Only 1 Order Per Child (please don't order for siblings using 1 child's name, each child needs their own unique profile)
- If child goes home sick, please let the Front Office know that they had a canteen order for that day (or phone the canteen directly on 8724 4607 to notify). Any children who are sick, without the canteen being notified prior to recess time will forfeit their order.
- Once orders are placed on the App, no changes can be made to the order.
- If a forward order is completed, the money will be deducted from the chosen bank account on the day the order is placed.

Leanne Sandow | Canteen Manager

Week 4 Shine FM Podcast - 'Kiss and Drop' Driveway & Carpark Safety

Tune in to the Week 4 edition of the SHINE FM Podcast, where our Deputy Principal Michelle Coote explains how to safely use the 'Kiss and Drop', plus some handy tips on driveway and carpark safety. Listen [here](#).



Follow us on Instagram!

Make sure you follow us on Instagram for daily updates of exciting things happening at our College! Find us on Instagram [here](#).



When you arrive at Tenison Woods College, please check in using the My SA GOV QR Code for COVID Safe Check-in.

See the Community Noticeboard for posters and notices of upcoming events within our College, and wider community. Please click [here](#) to view this page.

A Carnevale tutto vale!



New Reception students started 2022 learning about the Italian celebration of 'Il Carnevale' which is celebrated all around the world, even in South Australia!

Carnevale is an ancient tradition in which people enjoy life and abundance in preparation for Lent and Easter, a time of penitence and sacrifice. What a better way to learn about this unique tradition than having fun with mask making? After all, Italians say "A Carnevale tutto vale!" (Anything goes at Carnival!)



Welcome to all new Staff!

We warmly welcome all the new staff who have joined our college community!

We wish them all the best as they begin their journey with us, we look forward to an exciting year with these great staff on board!



Amy Boyd

Teone Brauer

Narelle Drew

Matthew Glynn

Lisa Goodfellow

Emily Graney

Kym Hammond

Megan Hill

Joshua Hough



Heidi James

Lewis Lean

Melissa Little

Kylie Marlow

Tara Millard

Sandesh Pathak

Chris Raymond

Sarah Raymond

Emma Reppin



Vanessa Roesler

Rayhna Stephens

Welcome to
our new
Teaching Staff



Che Thomas

Brody Virgo



Craig Baker

Faith Bierwirth-Leigh

Jasmine Davey

Bianca Dowdy

Mitchell Evans

Cody Levison



Charlotte Oliver

Daniela Ortiz Kaiser

Ash Spicer

Amelia Taylor

Elyse Willoughby

Welcome to
our new
Trainee Staff



Welcome to all new Staff!

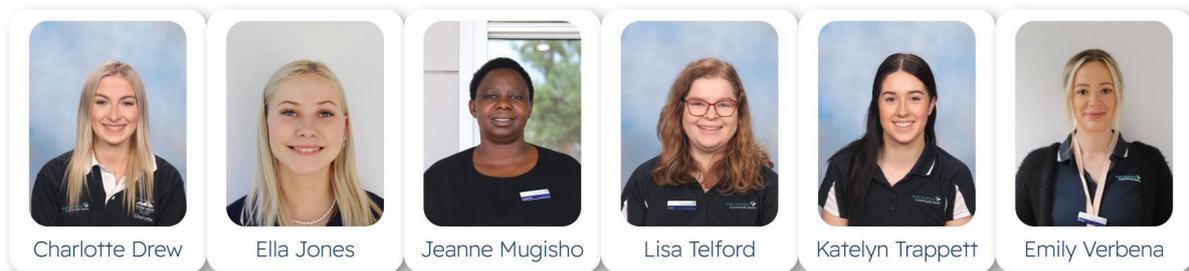
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Welcome to our new
**Co-Educators /
Education Support Officers**



Absent: Melena Roughana

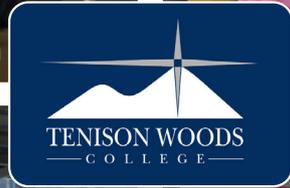


Welcome to
our new
**Early Learning
& Community Centre Staff**



Absent: Maha Ashour

2023 Year 7 Middle School Information Evening - **Millicent**



Thursday 17 March
2022, 7:15pm.

St. Anthony's Catholic
Primary School, Millicent

We invite all prospective 2023 Year 7 students and families to join us at St. Anthony's Catholic Primary School. Meet the Head of Middle School, Mr. Nick Patzel, as well as hear from current students attending the College and see for yourself what our College has to offer.

At Tenison Woods College, every learner has a place, every learner has a pathway and every learner will shine. This is supported by our new curriculum opportunities, in our newly developed Middle School, the Gilap Wanga Learning Community.



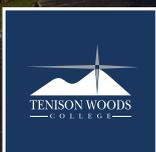
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Wednesday 30 March, 5:30pm for a 5:45pm start

Our 2022 Twilight Tour is open to all prospective families, with two tour options available:
Junior School Focus | Middle/Senior School Focus

We ask that you please register your attendance via our website or Facebook page or via this link:
tenison.catholic.edu.au/enrolment/twilight-tour



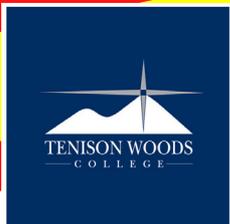
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2022

R-6 SPORTS DAY

FRIDAY 4 MARCH @ MARIST PARK 8:30AM-3:10PM

Year 1-6 Students to meet at Marist Park (Find class teacher)
Reception Students to meet in their Classrooms

- 3-6 YEAR LEVEL CHAMPIONS (BOY AND GIRL)
- HOUSE CUP

**OPENED BY DAVID MEZINEC
PRAYER BY FR. PETER**

R-2 FUN TEAM EVENTS

TRACK EVENTS FOR YEARS 3-6

- SHOTPUT
- DISCUS
- LONG JUMP
- RUNNING EVENTS
(100M, 200M)
- HIGH JUMP YEAR 6 ONLY
- HURDLES

For enquiries, please contact Tina Opperman
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