

Weekly Newsletter



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Generations in Jazz Success

After being on a two-year hiatus due to COVID-19, the national Big Band and Choral competition, Generations in Jazz, returned to Mount Gambier this year. 2022 was the festival's 35th year running, and the music students and staff from Tenison Woods College were extremely excited to be a part of the festival, although in a slightly different format. This year, submissions by ensembles were to be virtual instead of the usual weekend spent at the Barn competing live, with a crowd of 5000+ student's and public attending the festival.

Tenison Woods College has a long tradition competing at Generations in Jazz, which is always a highlight of the year for those students involved. This year, four Tenison ensembles competed: Big Band (directed by Jack Heaven), Concert Choir, and Senior Vocal Ensemble, Senior Boys Ensembles (both directed by Beth Creedy and Jody Swiggs).

After waiting over a month for the adjudication results, they finally came last Thursday night, June 16th, at the finale concert held at the Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre. Tenison Woods Colleges students that had competed were fortunate enough to attend this concert and were treated to musical performances from the likes of James Morrison, Megan Washington, Daren Percival and the GIJ Alumni Big Band, along with many others. This already special night became even more so when it was announced that Senior Vocal Ensemble had come 3rd in the Open (Small Ensemble) Division, and Big Band 2nd in Division 4+.

In addition, three students from the Big Band, Ryan Creedy (Drums), Mia Van Gaans (Bass) and Edie Jones (Bass), were selected for the honorary title of "Superband" members for Division 4+. This honour identifies these students as the best players from across Australia in their Division on their instrument.

A big thank you goes out to all the students and staff for their hard work in these trying times to achieve such a good outcome in this national competition.

If you would like to view the Generations In Jazz Livestream - Please click [here](#).



Edie Jones - Electric Bass

Superband

Ryan Creedy
Drum Kit

Mia Van Gaans -
Upright Double Bass



Award images courtesy of Generations In Jazz



From the Principal



Building Site Activity

Things will start to get a bit exciting on the building site after significant civil engineering, plumbing and concrete work completed in the early part of the year. The following milestones will take place from next week:

Saturday 25th June

Large crane will arrive and be located at the south-western corner of the building site.

Sunday 26th June

Riggers will be on site to commence preparation of precast installation.

Monday 27th June

Precast construction will commence.

25 panels will be delivered on trucks that day to commence the first section of the build from 7:00am in the morning.

Thursday 30th June

Trucks will deliver significant amounts of steel and erection of steel will commence.

These deliveries of pre-cast panels will conclude by the end of July. Watch this space as it sure will be a busy, exciting time.

South East Catholic Schools Combined Board Meeting

I was very pleased to attend the South East Catholic Schools Combined Board Meeting yesterday evening, Tuesday 21 June in Penola at the Mary MacKillop Memorial School Centre with other members of our College Board.

The students of Mary MacKillop Memorial School, Charlie, Poppy, Alida, and Emalee were delightful welcomers and hosts, who also offered a comprehensive guided tour of the outstanding new building developments at the school. They were wonderful ambassadors for the school and I am excited about their transition to Tenison Woods College next year.

The catering of the Mary MacKillop parent community was wonderful, with characteristic Josephite attention to detail and warmth in their hospitality. I also enjoyed the presentations by Trish Jarvis, Executive Officer of the Catholic School Parents SA (CSPSA) and Dave Edwards, CESA Schools Performance Leader of the South Region. Trish spoke about the advocacy of the newly formed parent association and how schools could be involved to support our communities. Dave spoke about CESA's bold plan for the future Towards 2027, Expanding Horizons and Deepening Practices, assisting our parent leaders to contextualise it for our communities.

Mary MacKillop Memorial School and Penola Parish hosted a wonderful evening, which is so critical to the development of strong relationships between our school communities and ultimately the positive future of Catholic education in our south east region.



Charlie, Poppy, Alida, and Emalee

Phone Usage While Driving in the School Grounds – one of the FATAL FIVE

I appeal to parents about the discerning usage of mobile phones while driving in the vicinity of the school and on school grounds. Last week during one afternoon pick-up period a SAPOL officer observed 12 drivers focused on their mobile phones and not their driving or surroundings.

SAPOL will be conducting random walk throughs over the next few weeks at key times such as school drop off and pick-up periods and issuing fines, as mobile phone usage has been identified as one of the FATAL FIVE (contributing to serious and fatal accidents in our roads).

I remind families that:

- You must not use a hand-held mobile phone while your vehicle is moving or is stationary in traffic (e.g. at traffic lights).
- You may, however, use a hand-held mobile phone while your vehicle is parked.
- A mobile phone may only be used while you are driving to make or receive a phone call, provided the phone is secured in a commercially designed and manufactured mounting device affixed to the vehicle, or the phone can be remotely operated.

If the phone is used via Bluetooth or a headset or earphones without touching it, holding or resting the phone on your body, you may touch the headset or earpiece to operate the phone. It is an offence to touch, send or look at a text, video or email and to rest the phone on any part of the body.

Using a phone includes:

- Holding the phone in your hand.
- Operating any function of the phone. Holding a phone includes:
- Resting the phone on any part of your body.

These laws apply to drivers and riders of all vehicle.

Current fine for using a Hand Held Mobile Phone is \$ 554 + 92 (Victim of Crime Levy) = \$646 with 3 demerit points.

SAPOL reminds us that “Good Drivers Just drive” and “Road safety is everyone's responsibility.”

Be The One

This year's theme and commitment to “Be the One” and this theme speaks to us about using our head, heart and hands to act for others in a way that:

- We are upstanders, not bystanders.
- We have confidence to give of ourselves to others.
- We express presence to God and the gifts God has given us through committing to action for others.
- We show others in our community that all matter, are included, achieve.

This theme to “Be the One” is also an invitation to deliberately live the College's SHINE+; sharing our time, gifts, talents and leadership for this awesome school family.

COVID-19 and Flu Challenges - HHDL Four Point Plan

As you may know, the past two weeks has seen the College Middle and Senior School experience some COVID-19 and Flu challenges amongst the student and staff cohorts. At this time I reiterate our continuing, deliberate and careful HHDL Strategy in Term 2, in addition to minimising large gatherings of staff, students and parents.

Face Masks

While masks remain recommended by the Chief Public Health Officer, from 30 May, staff, parents, adult visitors and secondary students are no longer required to wear masks when attending the school. Those who continue to choose to wear masks will be supported to do so.

However, families are asked to note that masks continue to be required to be worn by those aged 12 years and over:

1. when riding on public transport; and
2. who are close contacts, for 7 days after exposure, as per the [SA Health close contact guidelines](#).

Additionally, face masks will be required to be worn in education settings where COVID-19 transmission reaches certain thresholds, based on SA Health advice. In these instances, face masks will be required to be worn indoors by students in Years 7-12 only, and all staff and visitors in the school for a 14-day period. If we reach an outbreak threshold at our school, you will be advised of the dates that face masks will be required. Exemptions to mask wearing will continue to be made for students or staff who have a medical condition, such as problems with their breathing, a serious skin condition on the face, a disability, or a mental health condition.

COVID-19 Positive and Close Contacts Protocols

Thank you for continuing to support our school as we follow the SA Health advice and in particular for your cooperation in keeping students home from school if they display even mild symptoms.

Asymptomatic close contacts are required to take five Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs) over seven days and wear a mask when leaving home. To access free RATs, close contacts must register [here](#) and nominate on the form the collection point from which they will collect a free pack of RATs.

Close contacts who develop symptoms are still required to get a PCR test and isolate until a negative result is received.

I thank you in anticipation 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.

During Term 2, the health and wellbeing of students, families and staff remain our priority. We will continue to ensure that our school is a safe environment, maintaining the additional cleaning regime, which was commenced in 2020, accentuating natural ventilation, minimising movement and visitors within the school, and maintaining Subschool delineation as much as is possible to minimise the risk of COVID-19 transmission across the College community

Vinnies Day – This Thursday

Given the current COVID-19 context within the College community, and to avoid large gatherings, we will switch Charity Day to Week 4 Term 3 (which is on the calendar as Vinnies Day) and Vinnies Day will occur tomorrow to support the significant Vinnies Winter Appeal. As in the two previous years, students will be invited to wear casual clothes, bring a gold coin donation and a can for the cause.

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!

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 2022 for a deduction to be made.

God Bless,
David Mezinac | Principal

Saturday 25 June

- Oscar Benjamin
- Paddy Bouchier
- Amelia Holmes
- Archie Marlow
- Esther Mbuyu
- Thomas Pedler
- Amber Pohlner
- Madison Ras
- Hudson Zwar

Sunday 26 June

- Davyd Davydiuk
- Harper Grubb
- Sebastian Grubb
- Maria Sofia Hoskings
- Hayden Johnston
- Jack Koopman
- Anja Moors
- Konrad Moors
- Louis Prosperi-Porta
- Digby Stephens
- Molly Sutton
- Sabine Teodoro
- William Walkom
- Isla Whitaker
- Owen Whitaker

Holy Hour of Prayer for the Feast of the Sacred Heart

Fridays 7:30-8:30pm, June 24 at St Paul's Church, Penola Road, Mount Gambier
There will be an hour of prayer and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament leading up to the Feast of the Sacred Heart. It will be a time of both guided reflection and silent prayer as a way of preparation for the Feast of the Sacred Heart (24 June), which celebrates Christ's love. This is a great opportunity for those who are looking for some quiet time and a way of deepening our prayer lives.

Gospel of the Liturgical Year: Luke – the themes within the Gospel

Last week we discovered that one of the themes of Luke's Gospel was the Holy Spirit. Another a key theme is the power of prayer. Jesus is seen constantly in prayer, especially in those critical moments within his ministry – when his reputation spreads, before he choose his disciples, when he heals and teaches, and even upon his dying moments on the cross.

World Meeting of Families, 22-26 June 2022

The World Meeting of Families, is an international gathering initiated by Pope John Paul II in 1994. The 10th World Meeting of Families will be held in Rome from 22-26 June 2022. The theme for this gathering is Family Love: Vocation and Way to Holiness. The hope in this theme is to highlight family love as a vocation and as a way of holiness, and to understand and share the profound meaning of family relationships in daily life. This is one of the ways we celebrate Being Church Together.

In celebration of this global event, the prayer booklet Say a Little Prayer prepared by the Family Faith Formation Team will be distributed to R-6 families this week as a gift on this special weekend.

CIM Team News



Vinnie's Day - Tomorrow

Tomorrow, the Tenison Woods 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.

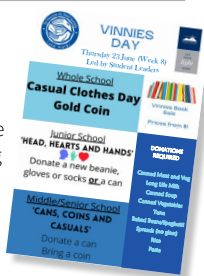
Through the generous support of our students, families and staff, we can make a difference to the lives of many this winter.

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. There will also be Book Sale, with prices starting at \$1, with money being directly donated to the Winter Appeal.

Sacrament Celebrations

This coming weekend, the 24 children involved in the Parish Sacramental Program will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. They will gather with their sponsors for a workshop about the sacrament and spend some time with Fr Peter practicing for the celebration, before being invited to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation with either Fr Peter or Fr Olek. The children will be confirmed at either the 5:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass or 11:00am Sunday Mass at St Paul's Church. We ask you to keep these children and their families and sponsors in your prayers as they prepare for a significant weekend.



Faith Facts

With the Sacrament of Confirmation being celebrated this weekend, do you know the answer to this week's question?



Find out the answer in next week's newsletter.

Term 2 Masses in the College Chapel

Mass is celebrated 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.

The roster for Term 2 Masses:

- Week 8** Whole School Mass
- Week 9** Thursday 30 June – Year 11
- Week 10** Thursday 7 July – Year 7

Chloe Shanahan | Religious Education Coordinator



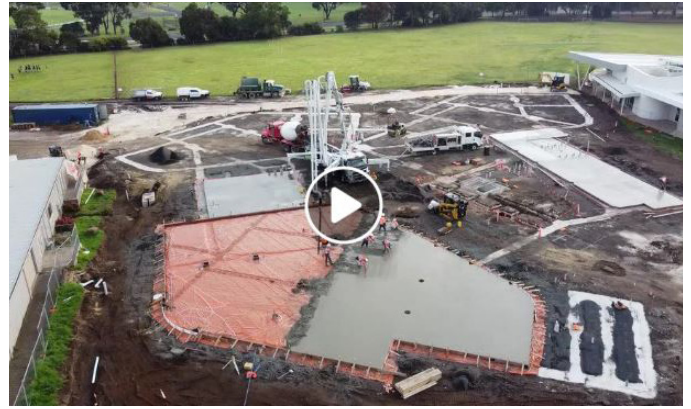
Special Visitor to the Junior School!

Students in Nicola Dunn's Year 1 class have been following the journey of 'Lady' the pet lamb who is 15 days old! They have enjoyed learning about her wool, how she eats, animal husbandry, about her mum, and how she is a twin. Students were able to interact with 'Lady', feeling the difference between the lambswool and a sample of shorn wool from an adult sheep. Further to this, students have been writing about lambs during their information texts in writer's workshop. Thank you Judy for bringing 'Lady' into the College!

Are you an Old Scholar?

Old scholars are an integral part of the history, tradition and future of Tenison Woods College. We invite all old scholars, past parents/caregivers, friends and former staff members to reconnect through our 'Friends of Tenison' committee.

Keep up to date with all the news in the College community. Register your details today, via our [website](#).



Build Site Update

How lucky are our students, to be able to watch their Junior School being built right before their eyes! Click the image above to view the video!



National Schoolboy Football Championship Representatives

The National Schoolboy Championships were inaugurated in 1923. The School Sport SA interstate 15 and Under boy's Australian Football Championships will be conducted in Lavington, New South Wales, from Saturday 23 to Saturday 30 July 2022. Congratulations to Jacob Salmon and Kobe Gibson (pictured above) who have been selected to represent South Australia in the competition. Well done!



Jarred Secures Apprenticeship

Congratulations to 2022 Year 11 student, Jarred Edwards, as he has secured a Certificate III Solid Plastering Apprenticeship with MG Plasterers! Jarred impressed during his 2 weeks of work experience with MG Plasterers, remaining in contact over the following weeks before being offered a full-time apprenticeship. Jarred will commence his apprenticeship on Monday 20 June, his role will include insulating, installing plasterboard and flushing. Congratulations, Jarred, we wish you all the best in your bright future!

Pictured is mother Emma, Jarred, and Head of Senior School Ciaran Buckley.



Hockey Team Showcase Skills

We recently participated in the Year 7-9 Mixed Knock Out Hockey Competition. We played games against Grant High School and Naracoorte High School. Having not played together before, captain James Miller supported the team in making some excellent plays during the competition.

Tahliah Carter, Sarrah Ryan, Henry, and goalie Noah Clark worked hard to make some important saves in defence during our first game against Grant High School. The game was very close, with both teams having chances at scoring goals. Max Grubb, Clare Baseley and Rheyne Paterson moved into great attacking positions ready to score goals in their very first hockey game! Grant High School proved too strong in their attack as they won the game 3-0.

Game 2 against Naracoorte High School saw our midfield players Lacey Bullock, Archie Aitken, Heidi Collins, and Toby Drew work well together to provide several opportunities to move the ball up the field and into the attacking goal area. New players Colby Ind and Alita Huysler were vital in supporting Jeremy Mackenzie in scoring a goal! James Miller extended the teams lead with a wonderful direct hit goal off a short corner. Naracoorte came out strong in the fourth quarter to score their first goal, but our defence proved too strong resulting in a 2-1 win.

The team had a fantastic day at the hockey filled with fun, outstanding skills, and wonderful teamwork as we went on to finish second overall! Congratulations to our players who represented the College with pride and competed with great sportsmanship and ability. A special thank you to Miss Lloyd for driving the bus, Elyse for supporting the players, and to the staff who organised the day.



Pen Pal Project with an Italian School

A mixed group of Middle School students have joined a pen pal project with the 1U class of the Liceo Antonio Meucci of Aprilia (Italy), where College Italian teacher, Giovanni Calandro, graduated in 2003.

The project was possible thanks to the collaboration between the support teachers in Italy, Federica Calandro (sister of Giovanni who also graduated at the same school), and the English teacher, Elisabetta Di Brigida. The implementation of Gianfranco Conti's approach (E.P.I.) in our Middle School Italian classes has also enhanced language awareness amongst students who responded to the pen pal initiative with enthusiasm.

It's been an experience that made second language acquisition more meaningful and hopefully this is the beginning of a long-lasting relationship.

Key Dates

Thursday 23 June

- Vinnie's Day - Casual Clothes, Gold Coin Donation.
Sub-schools will be asked to donate different items:
Junior School - Donate a new beanie, gloves, socks or a can
Middle & Senior School - Donate a can, bring a coin
- Whole School Online Liturgy - 9:00am

Monday 27 June

- Waverley International School Netball Carnival (Monday-Friday)
- SAPSASA Hockey Carnival, Adelaide
- SAPSASA Netball Carnival, Adelaide
- Year 7/8 Knockout Football
- Term 3 Reception Visit #1 - 9:00am

Tuesday 28 June

- SAPSASA Hockey Carnival, Adelaide
- SAPSASA Netball Carnival, Adelaide
- Year 7/8 Knockout Football

Wednesday 29 June

- SAPSASA Hockey Carnival, Adelaide
- SAPSASA Netball Carnival, Adelaide
- Year 7/8 Basketball State Final
- Semester 1 Year 10 in-class exams
- Year 10 PLP Day (Lesson 1-6)



Year 9 Project Mural

Our talented Year 9's have finished painting the semester one mural near Gilap Wanga. This piece was inspired by the idea of deep listening and connection to our country. The students worked through many different sketch phases as a class to reach the final design. They then braved the cold and worked as a team to complete this beautiful work of art. Semester 2 will see our second Project Mural class continue painting this space with their design building on from the existing artwork. Fantastic work to all those artists who were involved in this!





SA Country Netball Championships Division One Winners

Congratulations to our Under 17 Western Border representatives on winning Division 1 in the recent SA Country Netball Championships!

- Daisy Tunkin
- Portia McRae-Vilde
- Abby Denton
- Ellie Bouchier
- Lillie Paul
- Alyssa Duncan

Well done all students from our College that participated in these championships in various grades and divisions.

Photo courtesy of Netball SA.



Students Attend Art Exhibition

On Tuesday, the Year 10, 11 and 12 Creative Art Students had the opportunity to visit The Riddoch Arts and Cultural Centre and see Isobel Knowles and Van Sowerwine's exhibition 'Take Me With You'. This collaborative project is the result of experimentation in stop-motion animation, storytelling and Virtual Reality. The student's were able to see the seven-metre-long set all made out of cardboard and glue and learn about how this type animation was created. Alongside of this and exhibited in the same space was the artists' latest work 'Can't do without you', a collection of models and photographs displaying how hard it is to complete a collaborative product during the last couple of years and Covid isolation.



A Warm Welcome To Our New Exchange Students

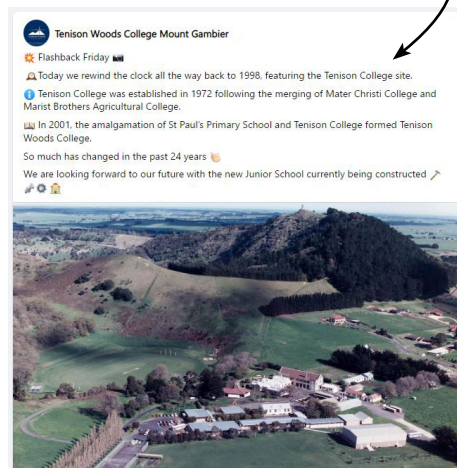
We warmly welcome Matteo and Charlotte who have joined us from France through the *Student Exchange Australia New Zealand* programme. Both students will be partaking in normal classes, helping to improve their English and discovering new and exciting subjects. Both students are here for 12 weeks. Welcome to Tenison Woods College Matteo and Charlotte!

Week 8 Shine FM Podcast with David Kelly, Life Buoyancy Institute

Tune in to our Week 8 edition of the SHINEfm Podcast to hear from David Kelly from the Life Buoyancy Institute (LBI).

Listen on Spotify - <https://spoti.fi/3A7EYbF>

Or, listen via direct link here - <https://bit.ly/3tO3SsP>



Uniform Focus of the Week!

Uniform focus item Week 8 PE uniform

- Sports polo top with house colour stripe
- Tenison Woods College monogrammed navy PE shorts
- Tenison Woods College monogrammed navy PE track pants (two options available in Junior School & new track pant option starting from a size S to XL for females)
- Plain white 'crew' sport socks
- Sports shoes/sneakers

Tania Sigley | Director of Wellbeing



Indigenous Jumpers Released

We're extremely excited to present our specially-designed Indigenous jumper!

Designed last year, this jumper represents Boandik ancestors, the longevity of the Boandik people and their deep connection to the Land which our College is on. The jumper is the result of a great collaboration of artwork design, knowledge sharing and learnings with Boandik students and community. The design also represents all families from across Boandik Mraat (Country).

The initiative was brought about from our Sports department, keen to add an Indigenous jumper to the many sports in the local, regional and state-wide competitions that students represent our College in. In approaching Matthew Brookes, local Boandik Descendant and Old Scholar, the idea became reality as students Noah, Ethan, Sam and Addison Sims and Chelsea and Georgia Ryan collaborated with artist, Belinda Bonney, and local footballer, Jordan Brennan.

These multipurpose tops will be worn by Year 7-12 students in both male and female sports. A fantastic initiative with an outstanding end-result; well done on a fantastic design!

Pictured wearing the jumpers are Ethan Sims, Chelsea Ryan and Noah Sims.



Maixence Williams Vocal Eisteddfod Success

Year 12 student, Maixence Williams, successfully competed in the 98th Bendigo Contemporary Vocal Eisteddfod earlier this month. She won all sections for her age group, including the Performance Showcase for 16 to 21 year old's.

Her highest score was 96 which was for her Jazz & Blues solo performance of 'Over The Rainbow'. The adjudicator for this eisteddfod was Melissa Langton.

Great work, Maixence!



'Lady' meets some of our Year 1 students!





VINNIES DAY

Thursday 23 June (Week 8)
Led by Student Leaders



Whole School **Casual Clothes Day** **Gold Coin**



Vinnies Book Sale

Prices from \$1

Junior School **'HEAD, HEARTS AND HANDS'**



Donate a new beanie,
gloves or socks or a can

Middle/Senior School **'CANS, COINS AND CASUALS'**

Donate a can
Bring a coin

DONATIONS REQUIRED

- Canned Meat and Veg
- Long Life Milk
- Canned Soup
- Canned Vegetables
- Tuna
- Baked Beans/Spaghetti
- Spreads (no glass)
- Rice
- Pasta

Stuck? Here's how to get *unstuck* tonight (and the rest of Term).*

THIS WEEK

WRITING FEEDBACK:

"Hi - can I have some feedback on my essay?"

WEEK 2

CONNECT LIVE:

"Hi. I'm trying to prove that if two opposite sides of a cyclic quadrilateral are equal, then the other two sides are parallel, but it's not working out."

WEEK 3

WRITING FEEDBACK:

"I have a draft of my speech, but it's too long for the 5 minute limit, can you give me some feedback on it?"

WEEK 4

CONNECT LIVE:

"Hi I really need help with question 16 part B!"

WEEK 6

WRITING FEEDBACK:

"Ok, I'm pretty happy with it now, but always get anxious about my referencing before I submit."

WEEK 5

WRITING FEEDBACK:

"Hello, I would like some feedback on this essay (mainly pg 4) and also ways to improve it! Is my sentence structure correct? Do my ideas flow well?"



* Warning: May result in feelings of confidence about study; side effects may include happy parents and happy teachers!

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