

Weekly Newsletter



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Vinnies Day

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All students were encouraged to wear casual clothes and donate a gold coin which goes directly to the Winter Appeal. Junior School students donated brand new beanies, socks, gloves, scarves or an item of canned food, while Middle and Senior School students donated canned food. We raised a total of **\$1,523** for Vinnies! This includes over **\$140** that our Junior School STAR reps helped raise at the Book Sale!

Our Senior Students helped with the delivery of cans, with our College community donating so many that Vinnies ran out of storage room! The extra cans were given to Foodbank. A tremendous effort that we are extremely proud of!



Be The One at Tenison Woods College

From the Principal

Sacrament of Confirmation



Last weekend we celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation at the 5.00pm Mass and 11.00am Mass at St Paul's in Mount Gambier. This was a wonderful time of grace and blessing for the children and their families. We invite and encourage our school community and parishioners to pray for the children that, strengthened by the Holy Spirit and their ongoing participation in our Sunday worshipping communities, their faith will continue to grow.

Congratulations to the 24 children of the Parish and College who were confirmed at masses over the weekend. They are very excited about continuing their journey as they begin their preparations to receive their First Holy Communion next term.

Special thanks to Parish Sacrament Coordinator, Cisca Teodoro and our Religious Education Coordinator, Chloe Shanahan, our CIM Team, staff and parent volunteers for offering their talents to assisting the children during this journey and also for creating wonderful celebrations on the weekend, marking this very significant rite of passage for our young.

Vinnie's Day

Thank you to all students, staff and parents who contributed so vibrantly and generously to Vinnie's Day on Thursday 23 June. The generosity will offer some comfort to those most in need in our community during these winter months, whether it was money, beanies, socks, gloves, cans of food or boxes of cereal. It was a great day for a great cause!

A Time of Loss and Sadness

Some students, staff and families have experienced significant loss and grief in the past week. As we extend our prayers and thoughts to those in need, and wrap our communal arms around those feeling the pain of loss, I thank the staff who have played their part in our Headspace Be You and Catholic Education South Australia auspiced postvention plan. The Leadership Team and the College Emergency Response Team are deliberately working through a contemporary, nuanced approach to supporting particularly the Year 10 and Year 8 cohorts, Middle and Senior School students during this time.

*God of gentleness and strength,
comfort us with the great power of your love
as we mourn and feel the pain of loss.*

*In our grief and confusion,
help us find peace
in the knowledge of your loving mercy to all your children,
and give us light to guide us
into the assurance of your love.*

May those who are hurting at this time know they are deeply loved and supported.

*Help us to look to tomorrow to see hope beyond grief,
through Jesus Christ our Lord
Amen*

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

I continue to appeal to parents about the discerning usage of mobile phones while driving in the vicinity of the school and on school grounds. Two weeks ago 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 on 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 create, 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 vehicles.

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."

COVID-19 and Flu Challenges - HHDL Four Point Plan

Thank you for the community's efforts in recent weeks to curb the impact of COVID-19 and the Flu. 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.

The HHDL Four Point Plan entails good health, good hygiene and hand washing, good distancing and care for others and good learning regardless of student location. It is as simple as it is powerful in mitigating the continuing risks.

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 30 June 2022 for a deduction to be made.

Student Exemption Form Absences Over 5 days

If your child will be absent from school for more than 5 days, please ensure that you contact the Administration Office to obtain a Student Exemption Form. All absenteeism for more than 5 days is approved by the College Principal and entered into our Attendance system to ensure accurate records are maintained and family's government benefits and allowances are protected.

God Bless,

David Mezinic | Principal

CIM Team News



Vinnie's Day

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We started the day celebrating a Whole School Online Liturgy, where Fr Peter encouraged and challenged us to continue the spirit of giving beyond donating a gold coin and a can by loving our neighbour, just as Jesus did. All students were encouraged to wear casual clothes and donate a gold coin which goes directly to the Winter Appeal. Junior School students donated brand new beanies, socks, gloves, scarves or an item of canned food, while Middle and Senior School students donated canned food. Founder points were also awarded per food item that was donated. Year 12 students helped with delivering all food items to the Vinnies and Foodbank sites.

A Vinnie's book sale was also run on the day, with all money being donated to the Winter Appeal. Staff were also encouraged to be dressed by Vinnie's as we also consider our environmental impact on the earth by recycling our clothes.

The total number of cans donated is being finalised and added to house points, to be announced at assembly in Week 10. With over \$1500 raised across the course of the day, and a large number of warm clothing items donated, it is a tremendous effort from the College community. Well done to all students and staff for making the day a successful event of fundraising for those in need; we're incredibly proud of our College.

Sacrament of Confirmation Celebrations

Congratulations to the children of the Parish and College community who celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation last weekend.

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

Cisca Teodoro and I would like to thank all of the families and their sponsors for their commitment to the Confirmation Retreat and throughout the year. It is a privilege to be on this journey with you all and to witness the children grow in their love of God and their eagerness to learn more about the Catholic faith. The children are looking forward to celebrating their First Holy Communion next term and as a Sacramental team, we are looking forward to witnessing the children continue their full and active participation in the life of the Church.

Fr Peter Zwaans reminded the children that the gifts of the Holy Spirit – Knowledge, Understanding, Piety, Fortitude, Counsel, Wisdom and Fear of the Lord – given to them at their confirmation were the same gifts brought down upon the apostles in the Upper Room at Pentecost. These gifts are like the tools that we need to do good in the world and make a difference in the lives of others. The Holy Spirit is our helper and guide, and it is our job to use these gifts to be a helper and guide to others.

2022-2023 Sacramental Program

Mount Gambier Catholic Parish are inviting parents to enrol their children to take part in the Parish Sacramental Program for 2022-2023. This is preparation for a full initiation into the Catholic Church by the celebration of the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Eucharist. There is also an opportunity for those seeking Baptism to be involved in the Sacramental Program and to celebrate Baptism in addition to the other sacraments.

If one of your children is in Year 3 or above in 2022 and might be ready to join this preparation program, you need to attend the Enrolment Evening to be held in St Paul’s Hall on Thursday 4 August at 7:00pm. The important dates, the structure of the program and the expectation of your involvement will be explained in detail at the meeting.

You will need to bring the Enrolment Form, the registration fee of \$50.00 and a copy of your child’s Baptism Certificate. Please contact Cisca Teodoro, Parish Sacramental Coordinator, on 8725 6566 or sacraments@mtgatholic.org.au for more information. A parent letter and a copy of the enrolment form will be sent home in the coming days to families or these can be obtained from Cisca.

Faith Facts

Did you know the answer to last week’s question, “Have you ever wondered what is the Sacrament of Confirmation?” Confirmation is the second Sacrament of Initiation. The Holy Spirit confirms and strengthens God’s gifts of grace that were received at Baptism. The Renewal of Baptismal Promises helps to recommit to the beliefs and living of the Christian life.

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 power of prayer. Another key theme is one of the place of women in the Gospel. Women play a key role in Luke’s Gospel. Mary, Jesus’ mother, assents to God’s will, sings God’s praise, identifies with the poor and ponders things deeply in her heart. Elizabeth (Mary’s cousin) and Anna (a prophetess) proclaim the true identity of Jesus. Female disciples are faithful to Jesus’ death and Mary Magdalene and other women are the ones to announce his resurrection. Women feature quite frequently in other settings as well such as the widow of Nain, a sinful woman, Mary and Martha, a crippled woman and the parables of the lost coin and the widow and the unjust judge.

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 the remainder of Term 2 Masses:

- Week 9 Thursday 30 June – Year 11
- Week 10 Thursday 7 July – Year 7

Chloe Shanahan | Religious Education Coordinator



Key Dates

Wednesday 29 June

- Stage 2 Drama Performance (Lecture Theatre) - 7:00pm
- St Peter and Paul Day
- SAPSASA Netball Carnival (Adelaide) - Monday to Wednesday
- SAPSASA Hockey Carnival (Adelaide) - Monday to Wednesday
- Waverly International Schools Netball Championships (Melbourne) - Monday - Friday

Thursday 30 June

- Blaze Choir Rehearsal Immersion Day (Lecture Theatre) 9:00am - 3:15pm
- Year 10 in house exams

Friday 1 July

- Junior School (R-6) Assembly
- Basketball Academy (Icehouse) - 2:00pm - 3:00pm with Tom Daly and Kym Hammond

Monday 4 July

- Term 3 Reception Visit #2
- Year 11 Exams Begin
- Year 10 Work Placements begin (all week)
- NAIDOC Week

Tuesday 5 July

- Year 3 History Excursion (RSL, Public Library, Vansittart Park - 9:15am - 3:15pm)

Wednesday 6 July

- Year 7/8 Hockey Academy - 9:00am - 11:00am
- Reception Art Exhibition (Reception Building) - 2:15pm - 3:15pm and 5:00pm - 6:00pm
- Year 10 PLP Session 6



Market Garden Stall

The Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden has fresh produce and seedlings available at our market garden stall.

The stall will take place on Tuesday 5 July from 3:15pm - 3:40pm on the lawns (kiss and drop) at the front of the College. Seedlings will be for sale for \$2 and we are asking for a gold coin donation for other items, with all proceeds going back into the SAKG program.

Donna Johnson, Adam Maxwell and Jen McCourt



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tenisonwoodscollege Chalk-drawing on days like this never gets old 🎨👍

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Students Excel at their Studies

Recently, Year 9 student Holly Flint completed the Mathematics curriculum for Year 10 and Bonny de Nys, in Year 8, completed the Mathematics curriculum for Year 9. Both students have worked very hard on their Mathematics to achieve this milestone, a year and a half ahead of schedule. This achievement has been possible due to the differentiation of instruction available to students through the Maths Pathway program. Holly is on track to complete the Year 10 extension curriculum by the end of the year and will be able to start Stage 1 (Year 11) Mathematical Methods in 2023. Likewise, Bonny aims to complete the Year 10 curriculum this year and hopes to continue with Year 10 Extension next year. They received a certificate and congratulations from the Head of Middle School, Nick Patzel.

Jason de Nys | Science Coordinator and Mathematics Coordinator



Sustainable Metal Sculptures

Over the past Term, Year 9 Metal Technology students have been heavily invested in their sustainability driven project, an upcycled metal sculpture. For this assessment, students used the Design Process to plan, create, and evaluate their own metal sculpture while repurposing materials that were destined for landfill. During this task, students worked in small groups to create an upcycled metal sculpture inspired by country. Taking inspiration from the animals they see every day on the Limestone Coast, a number of excellent sculptures were created. The example you see pictured above was completed by Pacifique Baraka and Max Suclan, two very competent metal working protégés. Well done to each class and everyone involved!

George Adamopoulos | Year 7-12 BET Teacher



Uniform Shop

Please note that the Uniform Shop will be closed for the duration of the July school holidays.

A reminder that the Term trading hours are as shown below:

Tuesdays 8:00AM - 12:00PM
 Wednesdays 8:00AM - 12:00PM
 Thursdays 12:30PM - 4:30PM

To view the Uniform Handbook [click here](#)

To place an order for uniform items, visit the link here <https://bit.ly/3lBouxF>

Please note:

Due to COVID, there may be stock level issues for some items. Thank you for your patience.

Kylie and Alana | Perm-A-Pleat Uniform Shop



Knockout Football

Our Year 7/8 football team travelled to Adelaide on Tuesday to play in Round 1 of the School Knockout Football Tournament.

Game 1 - Blackwood High School

Coming up against Blackwood High School in the first game was always going to be a tough battle. We started well and managed to score early thanks to clever passages of play from Harvey Croker and Riley Lawrence. After dominating most of the second and third quarters we were unable to convert and left Blackwood with some hope heading into the last quarter. Thankfully, our defence held strong and was able to repel Blackwood's advances to leave us with a 14-point victory.

Tenison Woods College - 30

Blackwood High School - 16

Game 2 - Nazareth Catholic College

Next up was Nazareth Catholic College who were physically tough competition. We were able to start the game well and, across all four quarters, move the ball in a much faster and more definitive fashion. Pleasingly, many of our players were able to get their hands on the ball and provide a high-quality display of 7/8 football.

Tenison Woods College - 81

Nazareth Catholic College - 27

There were many good players across the day and all of the boys should be proud of their efforts. We now head to Round 2 against Sacred Heart Champagnat Campus.

Brad Maney | 7-12 HPE Coordinator



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Auskick Season Concludes

Auskick at Tenison Woods College concluded this week. 34 Reception and many Year 1 students braved all elements of Mount Gambier's weather to participate in the sessions. Run by myself, Elyse (PE Trainee) and some Year 10 students, the children ran, jumped, kicked, laughed and created their own special moments playing football. No matter their skill level, ability or knowledge of the game, Auskick is for everyone. We are sure that all children enjoyed the sessions and learnt lots of new football skills.

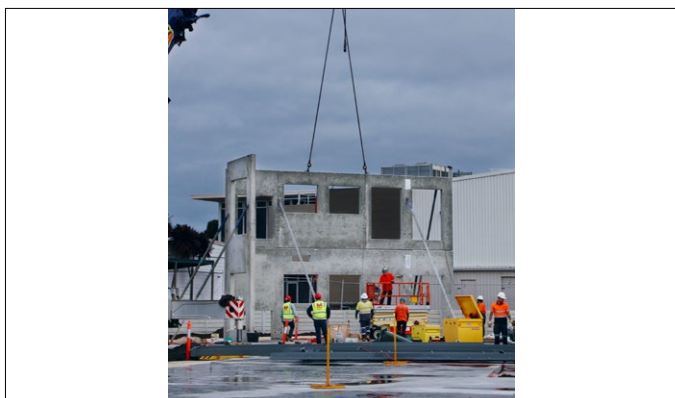
Tina Opperman | Year 5 Teacher / R-6 Sports Coordinator



Week 9 ShineFM Podcast - Generations in Jazz

Tune in to our Week 9 edition of the ShineFM Podcast to learn more about Generations in Jazz from Music Teacher & Big Band Director, Jack Heaven.

Listen on Spotify - <https://spoti.fi/3u7dC1e>
Or, listen via direct link here - <https://bit.ly/3bzoxuj>



Construction Progress!

Well, game on ... Things are getting very exciting and obvious on the building site after significant civil engineering, plumbing and concrete work was completed in the early part of the year. We have a large crane on site with experienced riggers who are locating the first twenty five tilt up panels in the carefully prepared location, and we look forward to significant steel being delivered in the coming weeks.

We trust the builders are also appreciating our bell for the week, music from the Bob the Builder theme song, a special tribute to their efforts. I know it is a favourite in the Early Learning Centre and Junior Primary part of the school.

These deliveries of pre-cast panels will continue until the end of July. It is a very busy, exciting site at the moment.

David Mezinec | Principal



Welcoming New Reception Students

On Monday we welcomed our Term 3 Reception Intake for their transition visit, as they familiarised themselves with their new classrooms.

All are looking forward to starting 'big school' at the beginning of Term 3!



Old Scholar Soars Through Flight School

Congratulations to Old Scholar, Kyle Jones, as he recently passed his Private Pilot Licence (PPL) flight test! Kyle is currently undertaking a Cadetship with Rex Airlines at the Australian Airline Pilot Academy. Well done, Kyle!

Kyle is pictured on the far right - photo courtesy Australian Airline Pilot Academy Facebook page.





Lions Mad Minute!

Each year, all Year 5 students in the district participate in the Lions Mad Minute at their school. From there, three students are chosen to participate in the Grand Challenge which is held at Mount Gambier High School. We congratulate Kade Parker (5CR), Arshia Gulati (5TOAB) and Adelaide Bradley (5KVDKM) for their outstanding efforts in this weeks Grand Challenge. Their hard work was rewarded when Tenison Woods College won the Large School Division. In addition, Arshia won the best speaker of the day, scoring herself a trophy and \$30.00

The success and growth of the Lions Mad Minute in the Limestone Coast region has been predicated upon a vision where Lions, teachers, and schools have worked willingly and collaboratively towards a shared vision. We thank the Lions Club of Mount Gambier for their efforts in running such a successful competition.

Tina Opperman | Year 5 Teacher



QKR! App Important Reminders

When using the QKR! App for canteen orders, please be reminded of the below points. The Canteen have noticed an increase in errors, so 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 a child goes home sick, please let the Front Office know that they had a lunch 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.

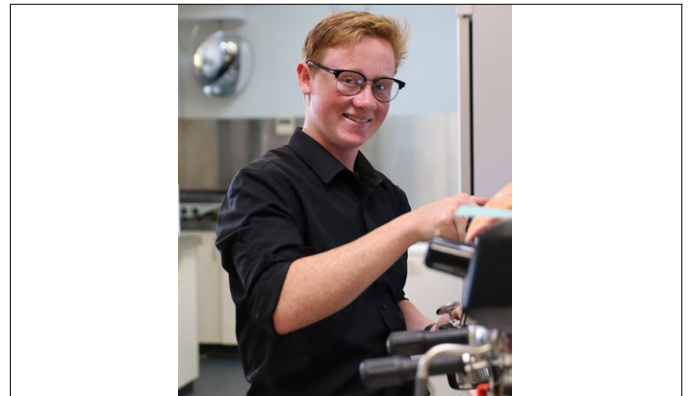
Leanne Sandow | Canteen Manager



Stem Girls

Last week, four girls in Years 9 and 10 participated in the STEM Girls on Campus program run by UniSA. The girls had the opportunity to participate in hands on workshops that stimulated problem solving and creative thinking while networking with other schoolgirls, graduates, industry professionals and academics. Ella David and Amity Fennel, both agreed that their favourite part of the day was making and flying a rocket, fueled with citric acid, sodium bicarbonate and water.

Bernadette Fisher | Science Teacher



Good Luck to Craig Baker!

All the best to Year 11 student Craig Baker who today has completed the second interview phase for the State Ambassador as a School Based Trainee. The results will be recognised at the South Australian Training Awards Event on 25 August this year. If successful at a state level, Craig will compete in the National Training Finals later in the year.

Craig is currently completing a Certificate III in Hospitality, working two days a week at the Sugarloaf Café at the College, with the remaining three school days spent in regular classroom-based schooling.

Jen McCourt | VET Academy of Hospitality Teacher



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](#).

ELCC Mud Day



Sacrament of Confirmation





Tenison Woods College
Stage 2 Drama's

Cacophony of Whispers presents...

TONIGHT

Virtual Platform

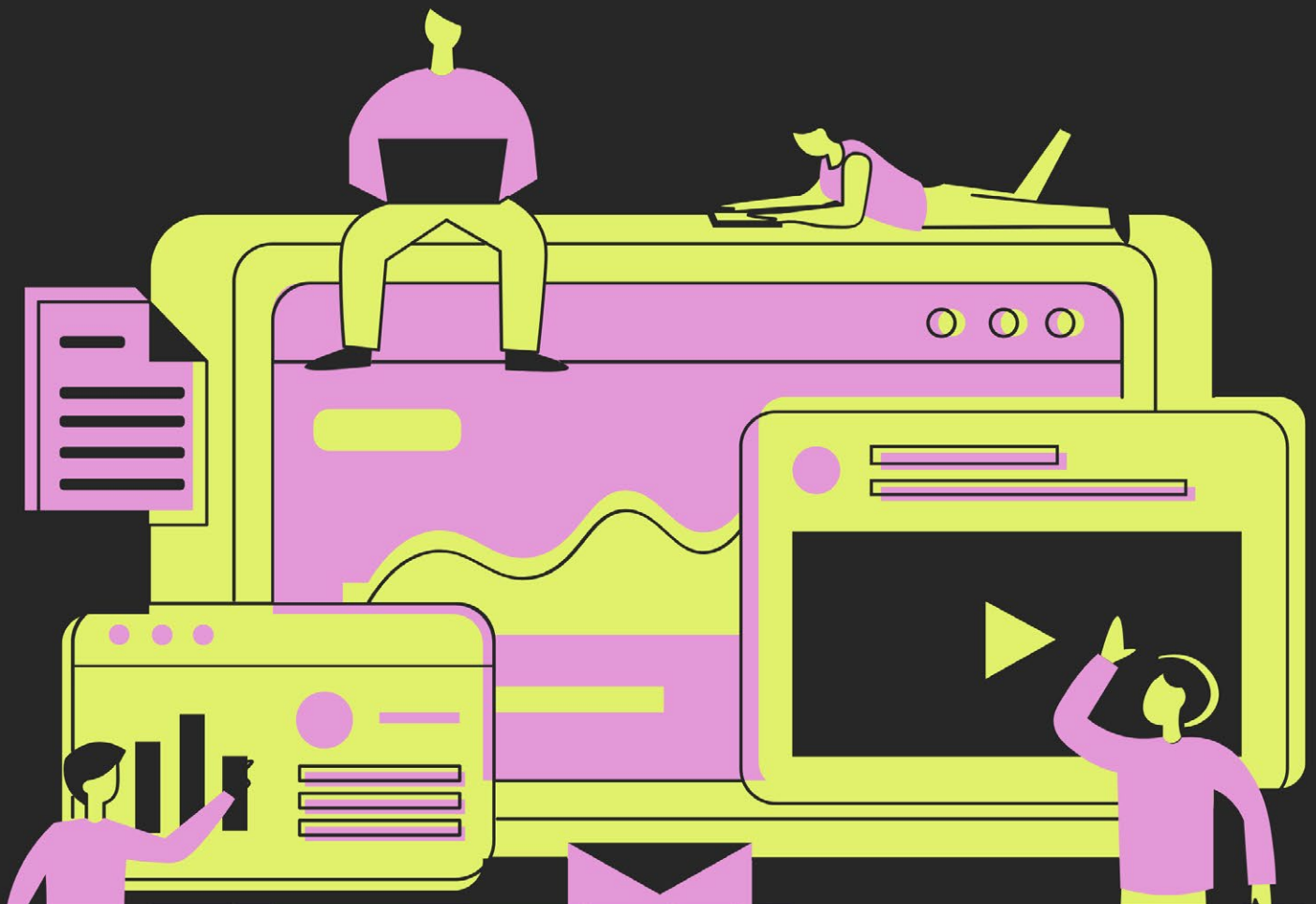
by Claire Broome

NEW DATE & VENUE Wednesday 29 June, 2022
Tenison Woods College Lecture Theatre

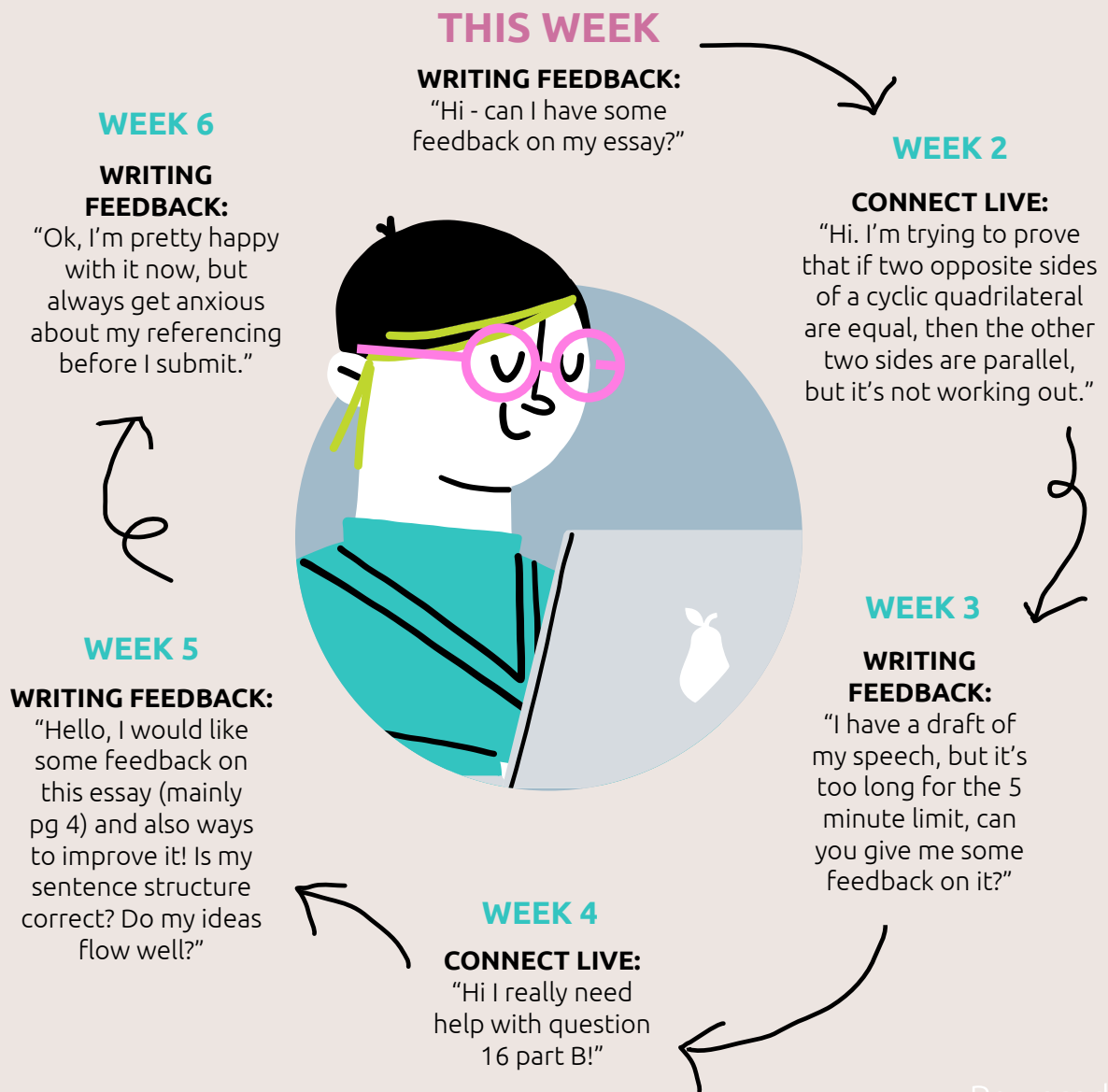
Doors open 6:30pm, gold coin donation at the door

Offstage: Joshua Amoroso and Jack Newton

Onstage: Ashley de Jong, Billy Dixon, Makinlee Futcher, Liam Nott, Alana O'Connell, Alex Try



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



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

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3. Take a look around your personal Studiosity workspace.
4. ...that's it! How about you help a friend log in?



Tonight

1. Choose an essay, speech, or other assignment - it can be an old file of yours, or one you are working on now.
2. Upload to the 'Writing Feedback' option.
3. Get English-writing feedback in just a few hours from a real person. No answers here, but helpful feedback.



Thursday afternoon

1. Choose a maths question from your homework.
2. Use the "Connect Live" option.
3. Have a great chat with a real person, to get 'help not answers', to make you feel *more confident* about your maths this term.



Sunday afternoon

1. Choose a physics, chemistry, biology or other science homework question.
2. Use the "Connect Live" option.
3. Have a great chat with a real person. Get help and feel more confident knowing *you* did it!

Keep going, you've got this.

Remember: when you get stuck, get *unstuck*.

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