

# Weekly Newsletter



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## Communities of Practice

Last Thursday afternoon and Friday staff attended the Communities of Practice Conference, CoP22. It was a celebration of communal and collaborative endeavour conducted in 2022 by teachers and co-educators in the learning environments of our region; an opportunity for staff to reflect on the way we assist our young to find their place, pathway and then to shine. We were delighted to have staff of Mary MacKillop Memorial School and St Anthony's Catholic Primary School a part of this significant conference with the theme of The Critical Literacies of our Communities.

This year in our region we have accentuated teacher collaboration and mutual accountability with an aspiration of determining clarity in what makes thriving people, capable learners and leaders for the world God desires. At this time of the Catholic Education South Australia (CESA) Living, Learning, Leading Framework, and celebrating the agency of our young, CoP22 was a commitment to continue reflecting on our craft as Catholic educators, who aspire to enable each and every learner in our region to shine, with all the deep reflection, critique, collaboration, humility, professional frailty and wonderful communal success that such whole staff endeavour brings.

David Meziniec | Principal



*Be The One at Tenison Woods College*

# From the Principal



## Celebrating our Year 12 Students

We will formally acknowledge the rite of passage for our Year 12 students and wish them well for the next critical stage of their learning journey on Friday morning, 28 October. The program for the morning will include:

8.00am	Breakfast for 2022 Year 12 students shared with staff.
9.35am	Whole School Assembly – To be held in the Barrie Holmes Stadium
10.15am	Cake Presentation in the Barrie Holmes Stadium (Year 12 students, families/carers and staff).
10.45am	Whole School Guard of Honour.
11.00am	Year 12 Farewell Mass (Year 12 students, staff & parents).
12.00pm	Dismissal.

We anticipate that the morning will be a highlight for the class, enabling the whole school an opportunity to wish the Year 12 cohort all the best at this significant stage of their learning, and inspire them to put in that extra effort during this period, so that they will be appropriately rewarded with individual and communal success.

## Discerning Student Leadership for 2023

As Tania Sigley, Tess Kenseley, Riley Turnbull and I met with School Captain candidates this Monday to discuss their vision and hopes for the College community in 2023. I was excited about the next year of student leadership in the College. I also expect that the leadership of our Year 12 students in 2023 will be critical to what we as a school achieve and how the student's voice is given expression in our school community.

## Working Bee This Saturday 29 October

Can you offer half an hour on Saturday 29 October? During the Working Bee we are particularly looking to replenish barking and sand around the College from the ELCC to Middle School (Gilap Wanga) areas and the various garden beds around the perimeter of the school.

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, barking pitch forks, wheelbarrows, 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](#).

## BYOD – Year 6 Families, ready for Year 7 in 2023

As the year flies by and we look also to 2023, I remind families that if they are thinking about purchasing a device for next year, just check out our Bring Your Own Device page on our website [here](#). You can also find this page in SEQTA Engage by choosing the Portals option and selecting: *BYOD Parent / Guardian Information*.

With the current wait times for products we encourage families to think about their child's needs a little earlier than they might to ensure that the device is ready for the start of 2023.

## Year 9 PE Uniform Trial

After some initial success late last term, in Term 4 we continue trialling a new approach with our Year 9 students and their Physical Education Uniform. As we currently allow the Year 7 and 8 students, our Year 9's will now be allowed to wear their PE Uniform on the two days a week that they have their timetabled HPE lessons. Students have shown respect for their PE Uniform and have voiced opinions about changing the approach.

We are hopeful that this will be a successful change for the students and that they will continue to wear their uniform appropriately and on the designated days. A successful trial will then enable a transition to a more substantive approach in relation to the wearing of the PE Uniform on days of HPE.

## Carpark Care

I remind families during these days of challenging weather conditions and extensive building on our site to drive at no more than 15kmh while on the College grounds. I also ask that parents accompany young students to and from the council property adjacent to the College's Shepherdson Road, across the poplars lined driveway. I ask this in an attempt to prevent any potential accidents which could occur to inexperienced and enthusiastic children, who make their own way from the school grounds to cars parked on the council property.

## Key dates for the commencement of 2023:

A full list of 2023 key dates will follow soon, but to assist with planning I inform our College community of dates to commence the 2023 academic year:

Wednesday 25 January 2023  
Thursday 26 January 2023  
Friday 28 January 2023

All Teaching Staff commence  
Australia Day Public Holiday  
Book collection day and Staff planning day  
Reception, Years 7, 10, 11, 12 commence Term 1.  
All other students commence Term 1.

Monday 30 January 2023

Tuesday 31 January 2023

God Bless,

David Meziniec | Principal

## Key Dates

### Thursday 27 October

- Year 10 Retreat - 8:30am - Casadio Park

### Friday 28 October

- Year 12 Farewell Assembly - 9:35am
- Teacher Appreciation Day
- Years 3-6 Assembly - 2:05pm
- Reception - 2 Assembly - 2:40pm

### Saturday 29 October

- Tenison Woods College Working Bee - 8:00am
- Youth Mass - 6:00pm - St Pauls Church

### Sunday 30 October

- 9SHINE Camp- All Week

### Monday 31 October

- South East Primary School's Music Festival - All Week
- Languages Week - All Week
- Year 12 SWOT VAC / Tutorial Week - All Week
- 2023 Term 1 Reception Information Evening - 7:00pm

### Tuesday 1 November

- Stage 2 Outdoor Ed Self Reliant Camp - Tuesday - Thursday
- Year 8 Immunisations (Visit 2)
- SE Primary Schools Music Festival Rehearsals - 9:50am

### Wednesday 2 November

- CESA Masterclass - 9:00am
- Year 8 Camp - Robe

## Uniform Focus of the Week!

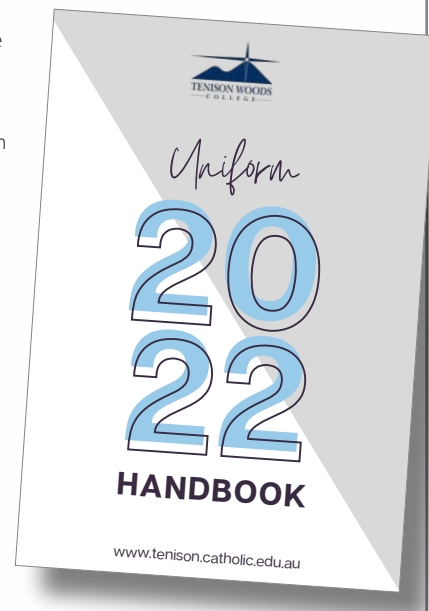
### Skirts, Dresses and Options Available

Girls' skirts are to be below knee length (Years 7- 12)  
Girls dress length is to be knee length (Year3-6)

### Please note:

Girls also have the option of navy monogrammed trousers or navy monogrammed shorts (optional for Years 3-12 all year round)

Tania Sigley | Director of Wellbeing





## CIM Team News



### All Saints and All Soul's Days

The month of November begins with All Saints Day, 1 November, followed by All Soul's Day, 2 November. Traditionally this month the Catholic Church honours and remembers the Saints and heroes of the Church and relatives and friends who have died. We are reminded that living or dead, we belong to the Communion of Saints, that those living on earth, and those who have lived before, are all united in the Body of Christ.

The pagan festival, Halloween, celebrated with growing enthusiasm in Australia, and interestingly, 'hallow' is an Old English word and literally means holy and can be used to describe saints. Halloween then actually means All Hallows Eve - or the day before All Saints Day.

These saints and these souls who have gone before us and responded to the invitations of their time with an imagination, creativity and courage. In honouring their journey, we also commit ourselves to evolving our vibrant faith tradition in a way that honours the past, with excitement for the future, and confidence in a life beyond what we know.

Please see local Parish Bulletins for Mass times on All Saints Day and All Soul's Day.

### Youth Mass

The first Youth Mass for Term 4 will be held this Saturday 29 October, 6:00pm at St Paul's Church. If you are able to assist with reading or music, please contact Kate Carroll. Families of the College are encouraged to attend this vibrant celebration and to stay for Youth Group after. Students aged Year 7 and above are most welcome.

### Year 10 Reflection Day

The Year 10 students will participate in their annual Reflection Day tomorrow, Thursday, 27 October, at Casadio Park and St Paul's Church. Information has been sent to parents via Edsmart. We look forward to hearing about their day in next week's newsletter.

### Faith Facts

Did you know the answer to last week's question, "Have you ever wondered what is the meaning of Liturgical Season?"

The Church has liturgical seasons which reflect the life of Jesus throughout the calendar year. Each season is represented by a different colour. The seasons of the Church are structured and designed to reflect the life of Jesus (including his death and resurrection).

### Term 4 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.

Masses for Term 4

Week 2	Thursday 27 October – Year 11
	Friday 28 October – Year 12, 11:00am
Week 3	Thursday 3 November – Year 4/5
Week 4	Thursday 10 November – Year 10
Week 5	Thursday 17 November – Year 6
Week 6	Wednesday 23 November – Whole School Mass, 10:00am
Week 7	Thursday 1 December – Year 7
Week 8	Thursday 8 December – Year 8

**Chloe Shanahan** | Religious Education Coordinator



## Academy of Hospitality Travel to Adelaide

On Friday of Week 1, students from the Year 10 VET Academy of Hospitality class travelled with Jenny Vanikiotis and Jen McCourt via minibus to Adelaide for the inaugural Hospitality Immersion Trip. The weekend allowed students who have undertaken two years of study towards a Certificate II in the Hospitality qualification offered at Tenison Woods College to experience multiple industry contexts across a range of scenarios and settings which may not be readily available in a regional area.

Students enjoyed a tour of the Mahalia Coffee Roastery at Robe en route for an informative session learning about the sourcing, roasting and marketing of Mahalia's superior products. After checking in to Majestic Minima Hotel in North Adelaide, our group walked through the parklands to join the OzAsia Festival along the banks of the Torrens river. We enjoyed beautiful moon lanterns and lights, Asian street foods and entertainment in the shadow of the Festival Centre and as the sun set and the lights of the Festival shone, the evening finished with a walk through the city to San Churro for shared Churros platters and a stroll through North Adelaide before retiring for the night.

On Saturday an early start for breakfast and tour of the Central Markets allowed students to experience a world-class market atmosphere, and after brioche and baguettes, coffee and fruit, we wandered the Asian Grocers and made our way into Haigh's Chocolate Factory in Parkside. Haigh's did not fail to disappoint – we were greeted by some amazing aromas and loved hearing the story of this Adelaide institution, while we sampled all different types of chocolate and saw the iconic 'speckles' produced and packed. After a spot of shopping, we enjoyed a beautiful High Tea at Mirrabar on East Terrace – floral teas, champagne mocktails and tiered cake stands made for some great photo settings as we experienced a non-traditional version of afternoon tea. The Stamford Grand for early evening lemon sour mocktails saw a spot of dancing in a luxury hotel setting, followed by dinner at Betty's Burgers, a trend-based burger chain in Rundle Street.

Our final planned stop was Sunday morning at the 24-hour Bakery on O'Connell Street in North Adelaide for breakfast. We walked 25 kilometres around the city over the weekend, everybody slept well on the bus trip home and plans are afoot for the 2023 trip!

**Jen McCourt** | VET Academy of Hospitality Teacher





## Scholastic Book Club Issue 7 Orders

All Scholastic Book Club Issue 5 orders are due by Friday 4 November through the LOOP online ordering platform or by returning the Scholastic catalogue order form to your child's classroom teacher with the correct money. LOOP is the easiest way for you to order and pay online for your child's book club order if you wish to pay by credit card and the books will be delivered to class. You can place your child's order at [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](https://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP) or using the LOOP app, which can be downloaded from the App Store or Google Play. Just follow the prompts to create a new account if it is your first-time ordering (only one account per family is required).

## Scholastic Book Fair

The College will be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair from Friday 18 November – Friday 25 of November.

You and your child will have the opportunity to explore a huge range of affordable books featuring characters and subjects kids love and want to read about. From newly released books and bestsellers to award-winning titles and perennial favourites.

This is also a great way for you to learn about, and discuss your child's interests and every book sold benefits our school, adding resources to our library and classrooms.

Scholastic Book Fairs help us show students the wonder of reading. After all, when kids choose their own books, they will be more excited to read, and they will naturally read more!

The Fair will be open for families between Friday 18 November - Friday 25 November to visit at the following times and cash or card is available.

Morning sessions:	8:30 – 8:55am	Wednesday - Friday
Afternoon sessions:	3:20 – 3:45pm	Open every afternoon

If you have any questions please contact myself by email at [mccos@tenison.catholic.edu.au](mailto:mccos@tenison.catholic.edu.au)

**Stacy McCourt** | Year 3 Teacher



## ELCC Visit Show Agricultural Centre

In Week 1 the Early Learning and Community Centre enjoyed visiting the Agriculture Learning Centre at the Mount Gambier Show. The children watched cows being milked and were able to pat piglets, calves, lambs, donkeys, goats and puppies. They also observed yabbies and tractor rides. They had a sensational day.

**Angela Cutting** | Teacher, Assistant Director of Early Learning



## Purple Thunder Compete in International Cheer and Dance Competition

On Saturday 22 and Sunday 23 October, a group of students participated in the Aussie Gold International Cheer and Dance Competition with Purple Thunder Cheerleading, the local cheer group led by Josie and Suzanne Flanagan.

The competition was overseen by international judges who judged the routines via Zoom from across the world. Three Purple Thunder teams competed in the Youth Level One Extra Small Team category, with one receiving a 2nd place finish and the other two performing well against tough competition. Well done to all involved!

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



## Employment Opportunities at Tenison Woods College

Tenison Woods College is a dynamic Early Years to Year 12 Catholic co-educational College with over 1400 students. The College is situated in picturesque grounds on the outskirts of Mount Gambier, SA.

We are seeking suitably qualified staff for the following positions to commence in January 2023:

- Early Learning and Community Centre (ELCC) Director
- Public Relations, Marketing and Events Officer
- Years 2-6 Health and Physical Education (HPE) Replacement Teacher
- Years 2-9 Italian Permanent Teacher
- Years 5-9 Food Technology Replacement Teacher
- Years 7-10 Health and Physical Education (HPE) Replacement Teacher
- Years 7-12 Chinese Permanent Teacher

For further information and Position Information Documents, please visit:  
<http://www.tenison.catholic.edu.au/our-college/employment>  
Applications close Friday, 11 November 2022 at 4:00PM.





## Lights, Camera, Action: Year 9 Sports Journalism

Year 9 Sports Journalism students have been busy filming their radio shows, as part of their film projects. Each group has had to write their scripts and arrange interviews. The final products will be 10 minutes in length and will involve cross media content and multiple camera angles created by using three cameras and external audio equipment. The students have done an outstanding job!

**Scott Dickson** | Director of Learning & Teacher



## Year 9/10 Knockout Basketball

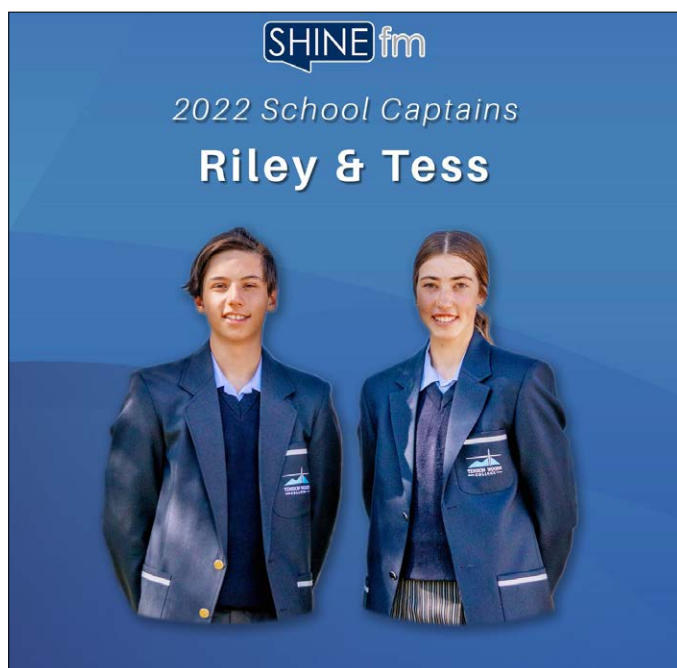
On Monday 24 October, our Year 9/10 knockout basketball teams played in Round 1 of the School Sport SA Knockout Competition in Mount Barker.

Our girls team, coached by Tom Daly, played two games against Cardijn College and Encounter College. In both games the girls managed to pull away with a strong lead which they maintained throughout the matches, winning the first game 39-12 and the second 40-20.

The boys, coached by Richard Hill, also played two games against Cardijn College and Encounter College. The boys showed their dominance, winning 50-26 in the first match and 40-37 in the second, resulting in the team finishing first in their pool. This resulted in the boys playing a third match against the top team in the second pool, Adelaide High. With all players taking the court and showing excellent sportsmanship, the team secured their third win of the day 58-12.

We are very proud of the way the students conducted themselves and supported each other throughout the day. Thank you to all staff involved in organising, coaching and assisting with the trip. Congratulations to all teams involved and we look forward to hearing more results as they progress into Round 2 later this Term.

**Elyse Willoughby** | HPE and Sports Trainee



## Week 2 ShineFM Podcast - School Captains, Riley and Tess

Tune in to our Term 4, Week 2 edition of the SHINEfm Podcast as we welcome 2022 School Captains, Riley Turnbull and Tess Kenseley, as they discuss their time as School Captains, balancing life during Year 12 and advice for the 2023 School Captain Candidates.

Listen on Spotify - <https://spoti.fi/3VVGANU>  
Or, listen via direct link here - <https://bit.ly/3f5azlV>



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# 2023 College Captain Candidate Speeches

On Tuesday 25 October an assembly was held to hear from our 2023 College Captain candidates.

Students and staff will now vote and elect the College Captains for next year. The results will be announced at the Year 12 Last Day of Formal Lessons Assembly on Friday 28 October. We wish all candidates the best of luck!



Gael Chizungu



Halle Perryman



Isabella King



Claudia Prosperi-Porta



Sophie Wrightson



Bridget Sharpe



Amity Starick



Aden Clarke



Harry Wright

## Local Area Coordination Place-based Sessions

**Mission Australia is the NDIS Partner delivering Local Area Coordination Services in your area and will be based at your school to provide information, support and answer questions about:**

- Mission Australia and the services they offer
- What services are available for people with disability
- Understanding the NDIS and eligibility, NDIS plan applications and reviews
- Accessing supports and services for those not eligible for the NDIS, or who do not wish to access the Scheme

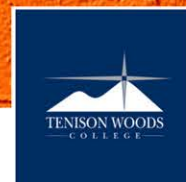
**Tenison Woods College, Mount Gambier**

**1.45-4.45pm**

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2022 (Term 4 Week 6)**

*No need to register, come along and have a chat*





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PHYSICAL EDUCATION IS IMPORTANT  
EVERY WEEK, BUT TERM 4, WEEK 5 IS  
THE WEEK TO CELEBRATE IT!

#PEWEEK22

# P.E. WEEK!

## MONDAY 14 NOVEMBER

SOUTH EAST ZONE PE WEEK CARNIVAL CELEBRATION  
YR 7 KABI KABI BUROINJIN - YR 8 ULTIMATE FRISBEE

## WEDNESDAY 16 NOVEMBER

YEAR 9 & 10 INTERSCHOOL LAWN BOWLS, RSL MT GAMBIER

## THURSDAY 17 NOVEMBER

FESTIVAL OF SPORT PENOLA -  
YEAR 9 TOUCH FOOTBALL, YEAR 10 VOLLEYBALL

## FRIDAY 18 NOVEMBER

YEAR 7-12 AFTERNOON CROSS COUNTRY  
SUGAR LOAF

PHYSICAL EDUCATION WEEK PROMOTES AND  
HIGHLIGHTS THE IMPORTANCE OF HEALTH & PE IN  
THE AUSTRALIAN CURRICULUM TO THE LEARNING  
& DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

**STUDENTS WILL NEED TO NOMINATE FOR THE  
COMPETITIONS VIA MICROSOFT FORMS. KEEP YOUR EYE  
ON THE DAILY NOTICES FOR REGISTRATION LINK.**



# Reception - Year 2

## Sports Day

Friday 18th November 2022 - Marist Park 12pm

*If you can believe it, the mind can achieve it.*

- 12:00pm - Students meet at Marist Park and line up in House Teams, Receptions at front, Year 2's at back.  
12:10pm - Year 6 Founder Leaders lead each team through a Health Hustle and Team Chants.  
12:20pm - Official welcoming/opening of Sports Day Mr. Meziniec and Mrs. Dickson  
12:30pm - Students go to class teachers and walk over to circuit area ready for first event.

### Rotation One:

12:30pm

12:45pm

1:00pm

Receptions:

Rob the Nest

Three-Legged Race

Sack Race

Year 1:

Sack Race

Rob the Nest

Three-Legged Race

Year 2:

Three-Legged Race

Sack Race

Rob the Nest

### 1:15pm - Lunch

*Showcase event to begin afternoon session - Dress Up Relay 2:00pm (Year 2 only)*

### Rotation Two:

2:15pm

2:30pm

2:45pm

Receptions:

60m Sprint

Obstacle Course

Vortex Throw

Year 1:

Vortex Throw

60m Sprint

Obstacle Course

Year 2:

Obstacle Course

Vortex Throw

60m Sprint

3:00pm - Meet back in House areas for final team chants with Founder Leaders

3:15pm - Dismissal

## 2022 FOUNDER LEADERS

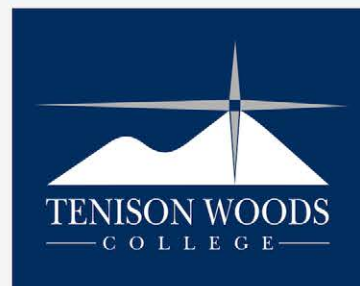
MacKillop - Amelie Adams and Lachlan Cutting

Champagnat - Raia Haggis and Paddy Sigley

McCauley - Jessica Oxlade and Fergus Tarr

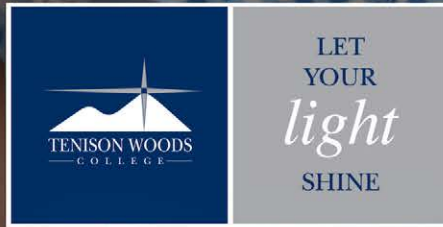
Woods - Gabby Yates and Duke Bradley

Year 6 Leaders - Emmy Jeffrey and Louis Fritsche



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*Presents*

# THE WIZARD OF OZ

By L. Frank Baum

With Music and Lyrics

by Harold Arlen and E. Y. Harburg

Background Music by Herbert Stothart

Dance and Vocal Arrangements by Peter Howard

Orchestration by Larry Wilcox

Adapted by John Kane for the Royal Shakespeare Company

Based upon the Classic Motion Picture owned by  
Turner Entertainment Co. and distributed in all media by  
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**WEDNESDAY 9 NOVEMBER**  
**6:30PM FOR 7:00PM START**

Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre

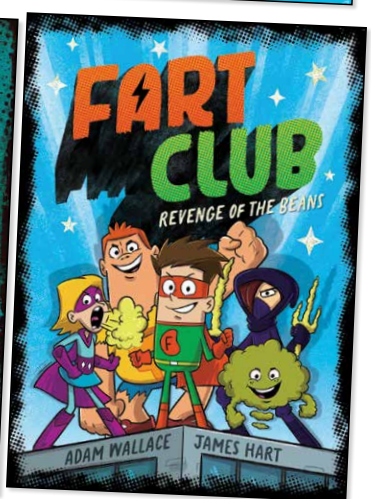
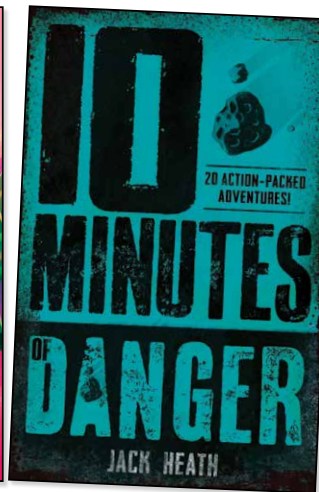
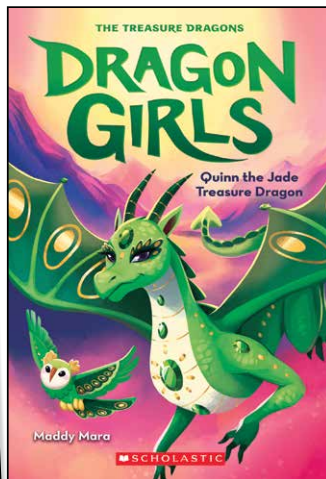
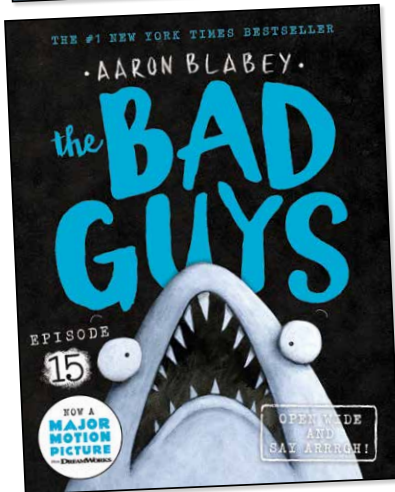
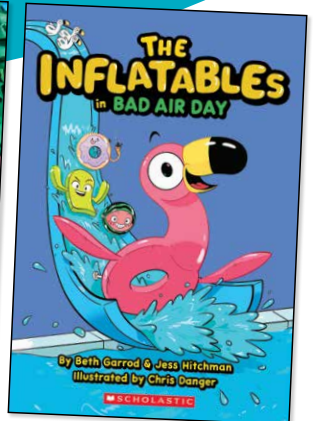
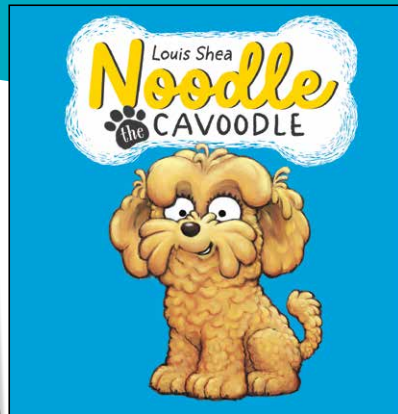
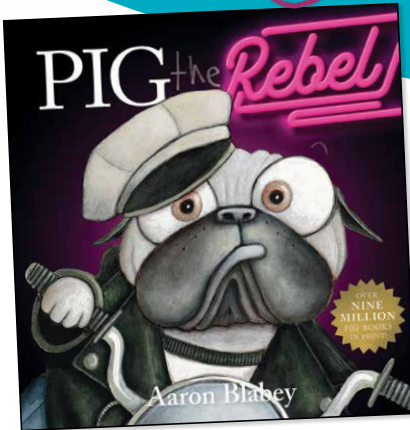
Tickets \$15, \$10 concession

*Buy tickets through the SRHT website*

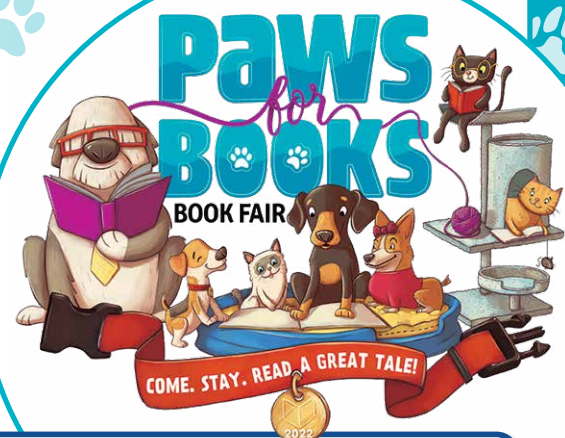


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