

Weekly Newsletter



Grandparents and Special Friends Day

A wave of excitement circled our Junior School last Friday as we welcomed our Grandparents and Special Friends to the College.

Students were overjoyed to take their special people around, to show them their learning areas and complete a heartfelt activity together.

We hope everyone enjoyed their time and these precious photos! Please see Page 8 and 9 for more images from the event.



From the Principal



Grandparents and Special Friends Day

Last Friday morning we celebrated the love, devotion and support between grandparents, special friends, and our students. Thank you to all the participants, students and staff with special thanks to our Catholic Identity and Mission Team for their leadership; our Middle School student leaders for being superb guides; and our Hospitality Students for their significant catering. As indicated by our Religious Education Coordinator, Sally Telford, "Together, we cherished the wisdom and warmth brought by grandparents and special friends, creating memories and strengthening our school community." Thank you to all members of our community for making it such a successful day.

Vinnies Fundraising in Term 3

During Term 3, 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. Each year, through the generous support of our students, families and staff, we make a difference to the lives of many this winter.

Vinnies Day - Thursday 3 August

Vinnies Day will take place on Thursday 3 August. Students from Early Learning to Year 12 are encouraged to wear comfy casual clothes and donate a gold coin which goes directly to the Winter Appeal. Early Learning, Junior School and Middle School students are encouraged to donate items of canned food. Senior School students are encouraged to donate toiletry items. Founder points will also be awarded per item that is donated. Families are also invited to make donations of winter clothing essentials including socks, warm undergarments and pj's on this day.

The Vinnies Winter Sleepout - Year 11 and 12 - Friday 4 August

The Vinnies Winter Sleepout for Year 11 and 12 students will take place on Friday 4 August. This optional event aims to raise vital funds for the most vulnerable people in our communities. Those attending the Sleepout will swap their usual cosy beds and food choices for a night without the comforts of home. By choosing to do this they are experiencing, for just one night, a small part of what those facing disadvantage suffer every day.

Additionally, students, and staff, who are not able to stay the night may choose to live without all their usual comforts and donate what they would have spent. Students are encouraged to register themselves on the website and set their own fundraising goals.

World Youth Day - August 1-6 in Lisbon, Portugal

World Youth Day (WYD) is the gathering of young people from all over the world with the Pope. We are delighted that Year 12 Mission Leader, Julio Teodoro, along with Father Peter and Cisca Teodoro are attending WYD this year, which is a celebration of youth, an expression of the universal Church and an intense moment of evangelization for the youth world.

Fr Peter, Julio and Cisca have spent six days in the Diocese of Leiria-Fatima, which is approximately 100km north of Lisbon, as part of the Days in the Dioceses. These days from 26 – 31 July have been a lead up to WYD.

[Click here](#) to watch this video and to gain a sense of their journey

You can also follow their journey on the Mount Gambier Parish Facebook page located [here](#).

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

Next Tuesday we celebrate the spirit of one of our College founders, Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop. Mary chose to make a difference to the society in which she lived in the 19th Century, by educating the poor and helping them build a life through faith and understanding. The feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop is celebrated on the anniversary of her death (8/8/1909) and we acknowledge with deep gratitude the efforts of the Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart.

While we celebrate a rich legacy and a significant impact on the weave of Australian society, that commenced over 150 years ago, we also recommit ourselves to the Josephite charism. Just as Mary did, we too are also called to make a difference for our times, with a spirit of generosity and simplicity of life, open to the changing needs of society and prepared to stand with people in the ordinary circumstances of their existence. Our College commitment this week to National Homelessness Week is one of the many ways we encourage our young to express their faith commitment through action.

*Through the example of Mary MacKillop,
May we learn to recognise God's will for us and trust in God's providence.
May her life and service be a light to our path,
Awakening in us a deep respect for those who suffer and a passion for justice.
May we share in her courage, see with her vision, and love with her heart.*

2023 Pathways and Careers Expo

At Tenison Woods College every learner has a place, every learner has a pathway, every learner will shine. That is our challenge and our celebration.

In 2023 the Subject Counselling process for the 2024 year in the Middle and Senior School will begin on Tuesday 8 August with the 2023 Year 6 - 12 Pathways and Careers Expo from 4:00pm until 7:30pm. The Expo will complement the Subject Selection Information sessions for 2024 Year 7-12 students.

The purpose of the Pathways and Career Expo is to assist students and parents to gather information regarding subjects that are offered at Tenison Woods College and to assist students to make informed decisions regarding their subject choices, learning and future pathway options. To support students the Expo will offer subject information booths which will provide information in relation to:

- subject offerings;
- pathways with in a subject areas;
- skills which can be developed in subjects;
- pathways post schooling;
- tertiary and TAFE education options;
- employment providers and employment support agencies; and
- samples of student work.

The Pathways Expo will be held in the MacKillop Junior School Building and a 2024 Year 7 Subject Information Session will be conducted at 6:00pm in the Pam Ronan Centre Lecture Theatre.

The Expo' with a range of booths, information sessions and range of providers will be highly beneficial in assisting students and families to make informed decisions about their learning and subject selections. As such, we strongly encourage all 2024 students and their parents to attend the Expo.

CESA Community LLL Perception Surveys

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

Teacher and student surveys will be conducted at school between Week 1 and the end of Week 3, Term 3. Parent surveys can be conducted anytime up to the end of Week 5.

There are 7 surveys in total as described below.

1. Middle Primary Years 3 and 4
2. Upper Primary Years 5 and 6
3. Middle School Years 7, 8 and 9
4. Senior School Years 10, 11 and 12
5. Teacher survey
6. ESO staff
7. Parent survey

The surveys will be deployed to all schools ready for completion by the end of Week 3 in Term 3. Each survey has been trialled, refined and piloted in a range of CESA school settings and the development team is confident that schools will derive very useful information for planning and improvement. To administer the LLL Parent and Caregiver Survey at Tenison Woods College in 2023: Parents go to www.NSIPartnerships.com.au and enter the code **TWCLLLP** in the 'Start Questionnaire' field.

Reception Enrolments 2024

I advise parents and caregivers that interviews are under way for all Term 1 2024 Reception Enrolments. We invite parents or caregivers and students to schedule an interview time with Mrs Francesca Dickson, Head of Junior School, to formalise their child's enrolment for 2024 by contacting Tracey Davey on 87255455 who will help you organise this.

White Avenue Safety – Use the Koala Crossing

Families are finding White Avenue the best place to pick up their children. If your children are doing this, I ask that they cross at the Koala Crossing. Using the Koala crossing offers some extra safety, as cars slow down to navigate the narrowed road.

God Bless,
David Mezinec | Principal



Upcoming Key Dates

WEEK 2

Wednesday 2 August

- Year 5 Meet the Author Afternoon | 3:00pm
- Year 2 We are Mathematicians Open Evening | 3:15pm
- College Board Meeting

Thursday 3 August

- Vinnies Day - Casual Day (Gold Coin Donation)
- 2024 Year 11 Subject Selection Presentation (current Year 10) | 8:55am
- School Sport Basketball Tournament Umpiring | 9:00am

Friday 4 August

- SAPSASA District Basketball Day | 8:30am
- Catch-up School Photos and Family Photos | 8:30am
- Mount Gambier Music Eisteddfods | 9:00am
- Year 4 to 6 Assembly | 2:05pm - 2:35pm
- Reception to Year 3 Assembly | 2:40pm - 3:10pm
- Vinnies Winter Sleepout | Starts 6:00pm

Saturday 5 August

- Vinnies Winter Sleepout | Ends 7:00am

WEEK 3

Tuesday 8 August

- Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop Feast Day
- 2024 Year 7-12 Pathways & Career Expo | 4:00pm

Wednesday 9 August

- ICAS Digital Technology Competition (Years 2-7) | 9:00am
- MASA Quiz Night | 6:00pm, Penola High School
- Rest Day for Term 3 2023 Reception Students

Thursday 10 August

- Year 12 and Reception Buddy Event
- 2024 Year 12 Subject Selection Presentation (current Year 11) | 8:55am
- Year 10 Reflection Day | 9:00am
- ICAS Writing Competition (Years 3-10) | 9:00am
- Year 7/8 Boys & Girls Soccer | Leaving 1:30pm
- Year 8 Fit for Life - Flipout | 1:45pm

Friday 11 August

- Year 7/8 Boys & Girls Soccer | Returning 8:30pm
- SAPSASA Regional Basketball Day



Kai Allen makes V8 Supercars Debut

Old Scholar, Kai Allen is set to make his V8 Supercars 1 debut at the upcoming Bathurst 1000 race!

After starting in go-karts at the age of 8 Kai's career has progressed immensely. He was racing professionally in the Super3 Series before he was even old enough to get his drivers licence.

We wish Kai and his team all the best as he takes on one of Australia's most iconic races. The Tenison Woods College community will be cheering you on the entire way!

To read the full news story please [click here](#).



Year 3 SAKG Cooking

This term, the Year 3 students will have the exciting opportunity to participate in the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program (SAKG). Throughout the Semester, they will engage in weekly experiences in both the garden and the kitchen, fostering valuable skills and knowledge.

The program will offer a diverse range of kitchen lessons aimed at enhancing their kitchen hygiene, teamwork, and knife skills, building upon the foundations from the previous year. By participating in these activities, the students will not only learn how to prepare delicious meals but also develop a deeper appreciation for healthy and sustainable food practices.

In our first cooking week we had great success making delicious Zucchini, Bacon and Cheese muffins!

Ashleigh Flavel | Teacher

Uniform Shop

Opening Hours
 Tuesday 8:00am – 12:00pm
 Wednesday 8:00am – 12:00pm
 Thursday 12:30pm – 4:30pm

Online Store
 To access the online Uniform Shop please [click here](#).

Kylie Watson | Uniform Shop





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



Jayden Prior Sri Lanka Cricket Tour

Last year, Year 11 student Jayden Prior was invited to tour Sri Lanka with the Jason Gillispie Cricket Academy.

After much anticipation Jayden departed Australia earlier this month and spent 3 weeks as the Captain of the Under 16 Squad.

Jayden's team won 5 of their 7 games, one of which he received the accolade for player of the game.

In between cricket games the boys were able to explore the country, participating in white water rafting, a jeep drive through the safari and much more.

However, the one big highlight of the trip was the opportunity to play their first game at Galle Cricket Club on the international ground.

Congratulations Jayden on a fantastic athletic performance throughout the trip and the wonderful leadership you showed to your teammates.

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Scholastic Book Club Issue 5 is out now

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LOOP is the easiest way for you to order and pay online for your child's book club order and the books will be delivered to their class. You can place your child's order at 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).

All orders for Issue 5 need to be in by Monday 14 August.

Jess Lucas | Scholastic Coordinator

Uniform Focus Jewellery

The following items of jewellery may be worn:

- A watch
- A fine gold or silver chain with a small religious symbol
- Sleepers or stud earrings – one per ear in earlobe only
- Make up is not to be visible and clear nail polish may be worn.
- Body piercings, tattoos or body art are not permitted



SHINEfm

Pathways and Careers Expo

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SHINEfm Podcast - Term 3, Week 2

Learn more about our upcoming Pathways and Careers Expo with Careers Coordinator, Jody Elliott, and our 2023 Learning Leaders, Mia Passauer-Jones and Hayden Luo.

Listen on Spotify: <https://shorturl.at/opFWX>

Listen on Website: <https://shorturl.at/vV024>

EMPLOYMENT Opportunities
at Tenison Woods College

TENISON WOODS COLLEGE
Early Learning - Year 12
Co-Educational Catholic College

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ELCC Employment Opportunities

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

Due to the exciting expansion of the College and the Early Learning Centre, we are seeking suitably qualified staff members for the following permanent positions commencing during Term 3, 2023.

- ELCC Certificate III Qualified Educator
- ELCC Diploma Qualified Educator

Applications close 4:00PM Friday 11 August, 2023.

For further information and Position Information Documents, please visit: <http://www.tenison.catholic.edu.au/our-college/employment>

From the Sports Department



Open Boys Football

Last Tuesday, our Open Boys Football team travelled to Tintinara to play Adelaide High School in the preliminary final of the Statewide Schools Competition.

The game started at a frantic pace with Adelaide High's midfielders gaining ground early and slipping away to a 17-point lead at quarter-time.

After being challenged, the College's key position players were able to win the aerial contests from then on and this allowed an opportunity for our boys to get back into the game.

The remaining three quarters were very evenly matched with the final margin resulting in a 17-point defeat. Unfortunately, the slow start hurt Tenison's chance at returning to the State Final.

We must acknowledge Mitchell Cornolo for his captaincy and leadership throughout the game and thank the Tintinara Football Club for their hospitality.



Open Boys Basketball

Our Open Boys Basketball Team began their 2023 Knockout campaign with a solid win over SEDA College, TWC 48 to SEDA 30.

The second game saw the Titans come up against our exchange rivals Cardijn College. Our boys put the game to bed in the third quarter with strong display of offensive ball movement and relentless defense, finishing with another victory, TWC 48 to CC 23.

The third and final match was against St Francis de Sale College and our boys saved their best for last! Boxing out the home sides best two players and dominating the court, our boys secured another solid win, TWC 74 to SFDS 46.

With a 3-0 record in the Knockout Competition the Open Boys will now advance to the State Finals in Week 4.

Congratulations to the team on another outstanding performance! Thanks to Tom Daly, Tara Millard and Riley Turnbull for their coaching and expertise on the trip.



Open Girls Football

Last Thursday the Open Girls Football team embarked on a journey to Keith for Round 2 of the Statewide Football Finals.

The team faced off against a strong and talented Norwood High School for their first game.

The match provided a fantastic learning experience for our girls, who relished the opportunity to compete against a school from the city.

Sophie Wight and Emily Denton earned the title of best players for the game.

Nominations Now Open

Division B Netball

The Division B Netball Carnival is designed for girls in Years 7 to 10, offering them a chance to take part in a local netball tournament competing against other high schools in our region. However, participation is limited to students who are not already involved in the Knockout Netball Competition. Nominations are open and can be found in student emails.

7/8 Boys Football

Nominations are open and can be found in student e-mails. The first trial will be held next Tuesday 8 August at lunch time.

Open Futsal

This is a local competition. Nominations are open and can be found in student e-mails. Preference will be given to senior students.

Open Volleyball

Local competition. Nominations are open and can be found in student e-mails. Preference will be given to senior students.

Upcoming Events

WEEK 2

- **Year 11/12 Girls Basketball**
Mt Barker - Tuesday 1 August
- **Year 11/12 Boys Soccer**
Mt Barker - Tuesday 1 August

WEEK 3

- **Year 11/12 Boys Basketball State Finals**
Wednesday 16 August
- **Year 7/8 Boys and Girls Soccer**
Murray Bridge - Friday 11 August

WEEK 6

- **Year 7 to Year 12 Girls Netball State Finals**
Priceline Stadium, SA - Tuesday 29 August

From the Sports Department



Year 7-9 Girls Football

The Year 7-9 girls put on a fantastic performance at the Knockout Football Competition at Malseed Park on Tuesday!

The girls showcased their talents, by keeping Grant High School off the scoreboard and securing a victory. The final scores were TWC 9.10 - 64 to GHS 0.0 - 0.

The team has now advanced to Round 2, which is a testament to the sportsmanship demonstrated throughout the game.

The goal scorers for the day were Bell Coghlan 3, Claire Mitchell 1, Stephanie Bolte 1, Piper Paul 1, Mckayla Maney 1, Emily Denton 1 and Addison Graney 1.

Congratulations to the girls on an outstanding effort and we wish the team all the best as they enter the next round!



World Cup fever at the College

The Womens World Cup fever has hit the College with the Reception Italian classes learning about 'Calcio'.

Students have enjoyed watching highlights from the World Cup whilst designing their own soccer strips to wear.



The Southern Cross News

The Southern Cross is South Australia's catholic newspaper, serving communities across the state.

Please [click here](#) to view the latest edition of The Southern Cross News.

NAPLAN

NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM Literacy and Numeracy

NAPLAN

The 2023 Reports will be sent home with students on Wednesday 2 August. Please check with your child after school on that day for an A4 envelope.

Please note that the way NAPLAN results are reported has changed. From this year, each student's NAPLAN report will show how they are tracking against 4 levels of achievement, known as proficiency standards.

The proficiency standards are:

- Exceeding
- Strong
- Developing
- needs additional support.

If a student's results are in the strong or exceeding category, it means they have demonstrated proficiency. If a student's results show they have not achieved proficiency, they will either be in the 'developing category' or the 'needs additional support' category.

The NAPLAN test has not changed, just the way the results are reported. The test continues to measure student achievement in numeracy, reading, writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation.

It is important to remember that NAPLAN results reflect a specific point in time. They are designed to help identify areas for students, classes and schools to focus on. They provide a great opportunity for parents and carers to also speak with teachers about how students can be supported to be their best. Please contact your child's Home Group Teacher with any questions or concerns about the results.

To find more information about NAPLAN go to ACARA's NAPLAN website <https://www.nap.edu.au/home>

Chris Lloyd | Online Assessment Coordinator

Grandparents and Special Friends Day



Grandparents and Special Friends Day



Timor-Leste **Luncheon**

Join us for a
Timorese lunch!

ST PAULS HALL

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27
FROM 12.00PM

\$30 PER PERSON

RAISING MONEY FOR THE
FEMALE DORMITORY'S AT OUR
SISTER SCHOOL IN HATOLIA

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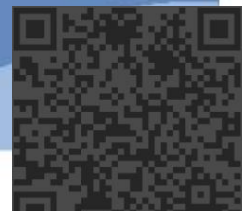
AMAYA'S GRAPHIC ART EXHIBITION

At the Wulanda
Convention Centre
Tuesday 8th August
2023

10 am - 2 pm



See more at:



OPEN MORNING FOR PROSPECTIVE 2025 RECEPTION STUDENTS

COFFEE & CRAFT

AT TENISON WOODS COLLEGE



WEDNESDAY 16 AUGUST, 9.00AM

THURSDAY 17 AUGUST, 9.00AM

Come and engage in the wonder of play to create, innovate, problem solve and imagine.

BOOK NOW

www.tenison.catholic.edu.au/enrolment/reception-open-mornings



Entries are now open for the 2023 My First Speech competition.

Students can prepare their speeches using examples from the 2022 finalists for guidance. These examples can be found at

www.aph.gov.au/myfirstspeech

Entries close at 5:00pm EST on Friday 11 August 2023.

Your generosity will help end the homelessness crisis devastating older women like Joan - our mothers, grandmothers and sisters



How our school is helping provide support for women, like Joan, who suddenly find themselves homeless:

Year 11 and 12 Vinnies Sleepout Week 2 - Friday 4 August 6:00pm until Saturday 5 August 7:00am

To donate please scan the QR code above or visit:
<https://vinnies-sa.grassrootz.com/tenison-woods-college-sleepout-for-vinnies-2023>



DONATE TO THE VINNIES WINTER APPEAL TODAY.
Please visit vinnies.org.au or call 13 18 12





VINNIES DAY

Thursday 3rd August 2023
(Week 2)



WHOLE SCHOOL

Comfy Casual Clothes Day
Please bring a gold coin donation



ELCC, JUNIOR AND MIDDLE SCHOOL

Please donate a non-perishable food item for Vinnies

Example:

canned harvest meals, soup, veggies, tuna, or baked beans, longlife milk, cereals, spaghetti, or pasta.

SENIOR SCHOOL

Please donate a toiletry item for Vinnies.

Example:

shampoo, conditioner, body wash, face cleanser, tooth brush, or tooth paste

On this day, families are also invited to make donations of warm winter clothes such as new pj's, socks, and undergarments.

Donations are required for local families in need!

YEAR 6 - 12 STUDENTS

PATHWAYS & CAREERS

EXPO 2024

TUESDAY 8 AUGUST - 4:00PM - 7:00PM
MACKILLOP JUNIOR SCHOOL TENISON WOODS COLLEGE

- > 50+ EXHIBITORS
- > LIVE MUSIC
- > UNIVERSITIES

- > APPRENTICESHIPS
- > CAREER OPTIONS
- > FOOD BY ACADEMY OF HOSPITALITY

