

Weekly Newsletter



Remembrance Day Assembly

We opened our Remembrance Day Assembly on Friday with our Hymn Ensemble, 2024 School Captains Teangi Stephens and Bree Robinson, welcomed students and our special guests to the assembly.

We were joined by RSL President Bob Sandow, who shared the moving stories about the four Tenison Woods College Flyers; Anthony Casadio, John Fredrichs, Errol Kavanagh and Reg van Leuvan. Year 10 student Willam, played the ODE of Remembrance on the Trumpet, and did an outstanding job.

Bob then announced the deserving winner of the 2023 Flyers Award, Paul Hammond, for his incredible work in the College and local community. We then heard from Commander Peter Coulson, who made a special presentation to the College of framed memorabilia, showcasing Anthony Casadio's Replica Medals.

We also announced our new Student Leadership team for 2024! We can't wait to see these students step into their new roles next year and SHINE!



From the Principal



'The Little Mermaid' Performance

I offer my congratulations to all the students, staff and parents involved in the 2023 Musical 'The Little Mermaid.' The wonderful performance, supported by staff Callum Byrne, George Adamopoulos, Samara Hough, Sarah Raymond and Penny Mansell, showcased positively student acting, dance and musical talent. Furthermore the show was a wonderful expression of team work and commitment, resulting in a very memorable and very enjoyable performance.

It is always a delight to hear of the confidence unearthed in the students, as they step into zones of stretch and challenge. Congratulations to everyone involved in helping our students SHINE in the most positive and life orienting ways.



Remembrance Day – A Day to Recognise Leadership

At 11:00AM on 11 November 1918, the guns on the Western Front fell silent after more than four years of continuous warfare. In 1997, Governor-General Sir William Deane issued a proclamation formally declaring 11 November to be Remembrance Day, urging all Australians to observe one minute's silence at 11:00AM on 11 November each year to remember those who died or suffered for Australia's cause in all wars and armed conflicts.

On a day when we give thanks for the shoulders on which we stand, our 2024 School Captains, Bree Robinson and Teangi Stephens, along with students and staff representing Airforce Cadets of 612 squadron and the 48 Army Cadet Unit, laid a wreath at the local cenotaph with other members of the community.

Remembrance Day Assembly

We also held our annual assembly in the Barrie Holmes Stadium on Friday 10 November, hosted by our School Captains, Bree and Teangi. We welcomed our special guests: President of the Mount Gambier RSL, Mr Robert Sandow, Commander Peter Coulson along with members of the Fleet Air Arm Association. We also were delighted that staff member, Mr John MacGregor, and College students represented the Airforce Cadets of 612 squadron and the 48 Army Cadet Unit.

Congratulations Paul Hammond – Tenison Woods Flyers Award

During the commemoration the 2023 Tenison Woods Flyers Award was presented to Paul Hammond by the President of the Mount Gambier RSL, Bob Sandow. Paul was recognised for his mature, committed and community oriented approach to school life. Never to miss a College Working Bee, Paul approaches school life with a characteristic positive, 'can do' disposition.

Anthony Casadio's Replica Medals Presented to the College

We were also delighted to receive a gift from the estate of Virginia Jacobs. Virginia, sister of former College students and highly decorated naval pilot, Anthony Casadio, was keen that the College receive a replica set of Tony's medals. Peter Coulson spoke about Tony's distinguished service and untimely death in combat in Vietnam on 21 August, 1968. Peter presented the College with the replica medals and associated memorabilia, including a certificate of recognition Tony's "selfless service and sacrifice."



Student Leadership 2024

At the Remembrance Day Assembly we also announced our school our new Student Leadership team for 2024:

- Mission Leaders: Lana Shepherd and Paul Hammond
- Wellbeing Leaders: Mennattallah Kassim and Molly Livingstone
- Learning Leaders: Paige Luscombe and Taylor Baggio
- Music Leaders: William Le Cornu and Erykah Van Gaans
- Sustainability Leaders: Ellie Mullan and Evie Thompson
- Sport Leaders: Jayden Prior and Trixie Crouch
- Champagnat Leaders: Austin Fatchen and Raine Scott
- McAuley Leaders: Jackson Bell and Matilda Lamb
- Woods Leaders: Tillie Derrington and Aleisha Brook
- Mackillop Leaders: Millie Button and Lillie Paul

At the Remembrance Day assembly I invited these student leaders to take inspiration from those who have served their country, some who paid the ultimate price, so that our student leaders will serve and SHINE with SWAGGER in this year to follow.

Celebrating and Giving Thanks

We move into a period of the year when we witness the fruits of our dedicated efforts as students, staff and parents. At the same time, we give thanks for all that has comforted, gifted and challenged us. During the next three weeks we will enjoy the following:

Senior School Awards Celebration

The Senior School Awards Celebration on Tuesday 21 November at 9:00am is a significant milestone in the learning journey of our senior students and a time to reflect on how we have "grown our gifts together."

Year 12 Graduation

The Graduation on Friday 24 November from 6:30pm at the Barn Palais is not only an opportunity to celebrate the journey of the students in our community over the years, but also an opportunity to wish them well as they greet life and take their place in our community.

End of Year Thanksgiving Mass

On Thursday 30 November at 9:00am we will gather in the Barrie Holmes Stadium for our whole College Thanksgiving Mass. At this celebration of Mass, an event which is the source and summit of our Christian lives, we celebrate and give thanks to God for the many gifts and blessings we have received throughout this school year. We remember our successes and our struggles, our joys and our sorrows in a year that we have "grown our gifts together." We come with grateful hearts and spirits to meet our gracious God in Word and Sacrament.

Celebrating as a large learning community, that is comprised of and nurtures smaller learning communities, we will ask for God's blessing especially on our Year 6's moving into Middle School, our Year 9's into Senior school and our Year 12's who move into a journey beyond school.

BYOD – Year 6 Families, ready for Year 7 in 2024

As the year flies by and we look to 2024, 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. The link is attached here: <https://www.tenison.catholic.edu.au/byod-information/byod-purchase-portal>

You can also find this page in SEQTA Engage by choosing the Portals option and selecting BYOD Parent / Guardian Information.

Key dates for the commencement of 2024:

2024 beginning of year key dates to assist with planning I inform our College community of dates to commence the 2024 academic year:

Tuesday 23 January 2024	All Teaching Staff commence
Wednesday 24 January 2024	Book collection day and Staff planning day
Friday 26 January 2024	Australia Day Public Holiday
Monday 29 January 2024	Reception, Years 7, 10, 11, 12 commence Term 1.
Tuesday 30 January 2024	All other students commence Term 1.

God Bless,
David Mezinic | Principal

CIM Team News



Sharing your Christmas – the Krist Kindl Giving Tree

What can your family give to the ‘Christ Child’ this year? When we give to others in need, we are remembering the gifts of the Three Wise Men to the baby Jesus, whose birth was a great gift to us all. As Jesus loved, we show through selfless giving that we love others, including those we don’t know.

The Krist Kindl Giving Tree will be set up in the Front Office at Tenison Woods College in the next week. We actively encourage families to support AC. Care, Sunset Community Kitchen and Vinnies in their work to support local families in need.

Unwrapped gifts, toiletry items and/or cash donations can be placed under the tree between now and the end of term. We thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity towards those in need within our community.

We will also be supporting the Community Christmas Lunch held on Christmas Day. Staff will be donating toiletries and wrapped chocolates and/or lollies to be placed into gift bags for those attending. Any families who would also like to contribute items for this event can do so by placing them under the Krist Kindl Giving Tree with the gifts.



Masses at Tenison Woods College

We invite family and friends to join us for Masses and liturgies in the school Chapel. Upcoming Masses and Liturgies are as follows:

Week 5	Thursday 16 November, 9:10am	Year 7 Mass
Week 5	Thursday 16 November, 10:15am	Year 3 Liturgy
Week 6	Thursday 23 November 9:10am	Year 8 Mass
Week 6	Thursday 23 November 10:15am	Year 1 Liturgy

From the Parish

Youth Mass

Youth Mass is held on the 3rd Sunday of the month at the 6:00pm Saturday mass at St Paul’s Church, Penola Road. The next Youth Mass will be held this Saturday, 18 November. The music and readings at this mass are led by the young people from the College and the Parish. Please contact Marilena Wilson if you would like to be involved in this. The monthly Youth Mass is followed by a Youth Group dinner and discussion group. Young people in Year 6 and above are encouraged to attend.

Sally Telford | Religious Education Coordinator



Upcoming Key Dates

WEEK 5

Thursday 16 November

- Year 12 SACE Exams
- SAPSASA Cricket Carnival
- Year 5 Camp
- Year 8 Caving and Surfing Camp 2
- Year 7 Mass
- Year 3 Liturgy

Friday 17 November

- Year 12 SACE Exams
- PE Week Concludes
- Year 5 Camp
- Year 8 Caving and Surfing Camp 2
- SE Zone Festival of Sport

Saturday 18 November

- 9SHINE Camp departs

WEEK 5

Monday 20 November

- 9SHINE Camp
- Year 8 Surf and Caving Camp 1
- 2024 Term 1 Reception Orientation

Tuesday 21 November

- 9SHINE Camp
- Year 8 Surf and Caving Camp 1
- Senior School Awards
- 2024 Term 1 Reception Orientation

Wednesday 22 November

- 9SHINE Camp
- SAPSASA Tennis Carnival
- Junior Showcase | Years 3-6

Thursday 23 November

- 9SHINE Camp
- Year 8 Surf and Caving Camp 2
- Year 11 Exams
- Year 8 Mass | 9:10am
- Year 1 Liturgy | 10:15am
- SAPSASA Tennis

Friday 24 November

- 9SHINE Camp
- Year 8 Surf and Caving Camp 2
- Year 11 Exams
- Years 4-6 Assembly | 2:05pm
- Years R-3 Assembly | 2:40pm
- Year 12 Graduation | The Barn
- SAPSASA Tennis



Scholastic Book Club Issue 8

Scholastic Book Club Issue 8 is out now and will be the last Book Club for the year.

Purchases need to be placed through the LOOP online ordering platform only. 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](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).

We will no longer be accepting cash payments for book club. All orders for Issue 8 need to be in by Friday 1st of December. If you purchase books as a gift, Please let your teacher know so this can be passed on.

Jess Lucas | Library Assistant



Year 5s Contribute to Christmas Lunch

Mrs Von Duve's Year 5 class have donated stationery packs for the children's gift bags to be given out at the upcoming Mount Gambier Community Christmas Lunch.

The students placed the various items into bags and decorated special labels to be placed on each pack. Mrs Von Duve spoke to the students about the importance of giving back to the community and lending a helping hand to those in need, especially during the upcoming holiday period.

Uniform Focus *PE Uniform*

Reception to Year 9 students can wear their PE uniform on the day of their timetabled PE lessons and Year 10 students can wear their uniform on their EIF day.

- 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)
- Plain white 'crew' sport socks
- Sports shoes/sneakers



612 Air Cadets Join Us For Remembrance Day

At Fridays Remembrance Day Assembly we were lucky enough to have two students and teacher John MacGregor from the 612 Air Cadets join us.

A AFC 612 SQN are recruiting this term for the start of Term 1 2024.

For more information follow this link - <https://www.airforcecadets.gov.au/how-to-join>

Come and see evenings are being held on 17 and 24 November from 7pm to 10pm at Mount Gambier Airport 612 Buildings. Students aged from 12 to 16 years old are welcome to come along and see who we are and what we do.

John MacGregor | Year 12 Wellbeing Coordinator



Year 6 Canberra Camp

Our Year 6 students have recently undertaken an educational visit of Canberra - the national capital. Students had the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs, with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy. We visited the Australian Institute of Sport, The Australian War Memorial, the Australian Mint, Parliament House, The National Museum, The Museum of Democracy (Old Parliament House) and the Electoral Office whilst in Canberra. We were even fortunate to view the Senate in action from the public viewing room. On our final day in Canberra, it was a privilege to be one of the school groups to participate in the Remembrance Day service.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$90 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate will be paid directly to the school and will be processed in due course.

One Forty One
ONEFORTYONE
BLUELAKE FUN RUN
(MOUNT GAMBIER RUNNING FESTIVAL)
SUNDAY NOVEMBER 26TH 2023

Registrations open
 3.2 km 6.8km
 10.4km 21.1km

for further information & to register
 visit: bluelakefunrun.com.au
 or find us on Facebook

Blue Lake Fun Run entries - Tenison Woods College Incentive

The Blue Lake Fun Run is fast approaching with the event being held on Sunday 26 November. All courses begin at the Cave Gardens, with distances available being 3.2km, 6.8km, 10.4km and 21.1km.

While participation is individual, students are encouraged to register under Tenison Woods College with schools eligible to win a \$500 voucher. Primary School and Secondary School categories are available.

Please [click here](#) to visit the website for more information and to register.



Year 9/10 Zone Tennis

Last Friday 10 November, two teams represented the College against Grant High School and St Martins Lutheran College for Year 9/10 Zone Tennis.

The girls had a narrow loss against Grant High School in the first round, losing by 4 games, and then another close match against St Martins, losing 4 sets – 2 sets. The boys had some close matches against Grant High School losing 1 set to 5 sets. They then defeated St Martins winning 4 sets to 2 sets. All the games were played in a friendly manner with lots of long rallies and shot making. It was a highlight to see Saturday doubles players and team mates pitched against each other.

All students are to be commended for their fair play and the gratitude shown for the opportunity to represent the College.

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



EMPLOYMENT
Opportunities
 at Tenison Woods College

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

LET YOUR *light* SHINE

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 January, 2024.

- Year 7 - 9 Global Perspectives (HASS, English & Religious Education) Teacher
- Year 7 - 9 Future Thinking (Mathematics, Science) Teacher
- Year 7 - 10 Outdoor Education, Health and Physical Education Teacher
- Year 7 - 10 Woodwork and/or Metal Technologies Teacher

Applications close 4:00pm Friday 17 November, 2023.

For further information and Position Information Documents, please [click here](#).



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 child goes home sick, please let the Front Office know that they had a canteen order for that day (or phone the canteen directly on 8724 4607 to notify). Any children who are sick, without the canteen being notified prior to recess time will forfeit their order.
- Once orders are placed on the App, no changes can be made to the order.
- If a forward order is completed, the money will be deducted from the chosen bank account on the day the order is placed.

Leanne Sandow | Canteen Manager



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

From the Sport Department



SAPSASA Volleyball Competition

In a display of talent, 41 students from Tenison Woods College recently showcased their prowess in the SAPSASA (South Australian Primary Schools Amateur Sports Association) volleyball competition.

The event saw enthusiastic participation from schools across the region, with the TWC students making an impact both on and off the court.

Over the course of the competition, TWC students engaged in a total of 10 games against other schools in the region, demonstrating not only their athletic abilities but also their commitment to fair play and sportsmanship. The SAPSASA volleyball tournament provided a platform for these young athletes to hone their skills and foster a spirit of healthy competition.

Win or lose, each participant embodied the values of respect, fair play, and camaraderie. Coaches, teachers, and parents alike applauded the Tenison teams for their positive attitude and exemplary behaviour on and off the court.

We are immensely proud of our students for their outstanding performance in the SAPSASA volleyball tournament.



Year 7/8 PE Week Activities

This week the Australian Council for Health, Physical Education and Recreation (ACHPER) are celebrating PE Week.

Yesterday, at the College we celebrated PE Week at a carnival hosted by School Sport SA. Our Year 7 students participated in the indigenous sport Buroinjin (Kabi Kabi) while our Year 8 students played in Tchoukball.

The students showcased that they are 'Learning to play and playing to learn' through the exposure to new sports.

Well done to all students who participated in a fun day!



T20 Cricket

The tension had been building for many weeks prior to this epic clash between Grant High School and Tenison Woods College at Marist Park. The sun was out, the pitch was flat(ish) and the Tenison boys were amped.

Captain, Scott McBain unfortunately lost the toss and Grant High School elected to bat first. Some tight opening bowling from Josh Manninen and Bryce Catlin kept the runs down for the first 5 overs before Grant opening batsman pushed some quick runs. Ethan Brook struck the first breakthrough, sending middle stump flying. Shoeb Khan took 2 wickets in a row and narrowly missed a hat-trick with a brilliant spell. Will Harris was turning it a mile with his leg-spin and eventually took the big wicket of Grant most dangerous batsman, a great catch by Scott McBain behind the stumps. Tight bowling from Tenison limited Grant to only 95. Valuable spells came from Josh Manninen, Shoeb Khan and Jock McClure, with Charlie Bromley and Kobe Bromley taking valuable wickets along the way.

Tenison's opening batting pair started strongly in the the first overs before the first wickets fell in quick succession. In a cloud of confidence and channelling his idol, Glenn Maxwell, Ethan Brook strolled out to the crease. As the likes of Jock McClure, Jack Pilkington and Sid Riley steadied the ship, Ethan Brook attacked, hitting 11 fours in his knock of 51, eventually carrying the team over the line. An excellent effort by the team!



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](#).



'The Little Mermaid' Musical

