



Open Heart Open Arms

WEDNESDAY 13 MARCH 2024 , WEEK 7, TERM 1

TWILIGHT TOUR

On Thursday we were thrilled to showcase our College at our wonderful annual Twilight Tour.

It was great to offer our hospitality to potential, newly enrolled families and community members. Guests toured our College, with a few surprises along the way including a Popcorn Machine and Juice Bar hosted by our Academy of Hospitality Students as well as musical performances!

We look forward to welcoming many new faces joining our College community in 2025.



From the Principal



Harmony Week - Everyone Belongs

Next week we are acknowledging the gift of Australia's cultural diversity, where inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone are celebrated.

Harmony Week is celebrated around Australia and features on March 21; the United Nation's International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

Harmony Week is managed by the Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC) and gives people the opportunity to celebrate what makes each Australian unique and share what we have in common. The continuing message for Harmony Day in 2024 is that in the diversity of stories we all belong to and strengthen the identity of one Australia. We are all welcome as part of our country, enriching Australia by our story. It is also a day to reflect on where Australia has come from, recognising also the traditional owners of this land.

Ultimately Harmony Day is about community participation, inclusiveness and respect – celebrating the different cultures that have made Australia a great place to live.

Harmony Week at Tenison Woods College

On Thursday 21 March we will acknowledge Harmony Week as a whole school, acknowledging that we all, in every ordinary interaction and gesture, play our part in creating an harmonious, respectful community.

*May the God of Gentleness
soften the tensions within us.
The God of Power
strengthen us.
The God of Wisdom
gift us with discerning minds and hearts.
The God of Love
teach us to be companions to each other. Amen*

Board Annual General Meeting – 27 March, 7:00pm

I remind parents and caregivers of the Annual General Meeting of the Tenison Woods College Board, which will be held Wednesday 27 March at 7:00pm in the Pam Ronan Centre. Nominations are also sought for people interested in serving on the Board this year. The associated correspondence has been sent to families and can also be found [here](#).

The School Board is responsible for the governance of the School in the areas of policy review, financial management, pastoral care (staff, students and parents), maintenance and development and strategic planning. School Board meetings are held once a month with each member of the Board also belonging to a sub-committee, which meets between Board meetings. Elected members serve a two-year term on the Board.

Parents/carers are invited and strongly encouraged to participate in the governance of the School by nominating members of the School community to the School Board.

The timeline for nominations and elections is:

Monday 18 March 2024	Nominations close 2.00pm
Wednesday 20 March 2024	Voting papers sent to parents if required
Monday 25 March 2024	Voting closes
Wednesday 27 March 2024	AGM of the School Board

Thank you for your time and attention given to the formation of the School Board for 2024.

Interschool Athletics Carnival

We look forward to the South East Interschool Athletics Carnival, on Wednesday 20 March at Marist Park, where Tenison Woods College is hosting the Carnival. Families are very welcome to attend the carnival to support our students in their athletics endeavours.



2024 NAPLAN Testing

Students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 will be undertaking the four NAPLAN tests of Writing, Reading, Language Conventions and Numeracy in Weeks 7 and 8, commencing today, Wednesday 13 March. Families of students in Years 3 and 5 have had details of testing times sent home via a class newsletter. We wish students all the best during these two weeks.

Three way Student/Parent/Teacher Conferences - Conversations About Learning

We are looking forward to the refined approach to conversations about learning this year. The name reflects a change in focus to engage in conversations that provide valuable opportunities for the teacher, student, parents and/or carers to share and learn more about the student socially, emotionally and academically, while at the same time facilitating increased student agency and responsibility. As such, students are asked to attend all conferences with their parents/carers and teachers. The 7-12 conferences will occur Tuesday 26 March or Wednesday 3 April, while the R-6 conferences will take place Thursday 4 April.

Celebrating Journey and Legacy – Friday 12 April, 2024

We are delighted that Archbishop Patrick O'Regan will formally open and bless our recent building developments in our College community on Friday 12 April 2024. We invite our community to the official opening of the:

- Early Learning & Community Centre extension
- MacKillop Reception Community Centre
- MacKillop Junior School Building
- Gilap Wanga Learning Community - Ngula wangingi mraata ba wangingi, including the Poplars Inclusion Unit

Formal proceedings will commence at 10.00am in the Barrie Holmes Stadium and we look forward to celebrating the shoulders on which we stand and our efforts for our young through the evolution of our College community.

Lenten Season and Project Compassion – For All Future Generations

Students are continuing class communal action during the Lenten season to bring about change in our world. Fundraising throughout the six weeks of Lent will contribute to Caritas Australia's Project Compassion Campaign. Once again, this Lent Caritas Australia calls us to support Project Compassion under the theme of 'For All Future Generations', which is an expression of hope, and reminds us that the good that we do today will extend and impact the lives of generations to come. It invites us to make the world a better place by working together now and finding long-term solutions to global issues.



Reception – Year 12 Staff Professional Learning Day – Tuesday 12 March

Reception to Year 12 Staff benefitted from the staff professional development day held on Tuesday 12 March. The Junior School devoted time to the craft of numeracy teaching. The Middle School refined their integrated curriculum approach, while the Senior School staff devoted their energies to our trauma informed "Tenison Way of Building Relationships" with our young. All three sub-schools further evolved our wellbeing approach at the school, focusing on metacognitive competencies through our Resilient IMPACT strategy. Keeping Safe: Child Protection Curriculum and First Aid was also completed by staff who were required to complete these critical dimensions of our professional practice.

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!

Caring for One Another – Road Safety in PRC Carpark and Marist Park Area

I remind the community that the carpark adjacent to the Pam Ronan Centre is a senior student carpark and not a kiss and drop zone. Kiss and drop zones are on the driveways running alongside the Pam Ronan Centre off White Avenue and in front of the Front Office area off Shepherdson Road. Adherence to this approach will protect the safety of our young and avoid any unfortunate accident.

I also remind families of the importance to monitor their actions in the Marist Park area, which can be quite hazardous given the terrain and the less organised parking approach given the nature of the property. Please keep an eye out for one another as we enter and leave Marist Park.

God Bless,
David Meziniec | Principal

CIM Team News



Project Compassion

Throughout the six weeks of Lent, students will learn about the work of Project Compassion and how it has provided help to individuals and communities.

The work of Caritas Australia is only possible with generous supporters and the dedication, passion and tenacity of our local partners who implement the programs. They are the heroes on the ground working tirelessly behind-the-scenes every day to create a better future for their communities.



Caritas Australia partners with the Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ), Caritas Samoa and with the Catholic Development Commission. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow for all future generations.

You can donate through Project Compassion by scanning the QR code below:



Lent is the season of fasting in the Catholic Church and this year it overlaps with the month of Ramadan. Fasting is an ancient religious practice that strives to hold God as the most important one in our lives, corresponding to our heart's deepest hunger. Fasting also expresses solidarity with the poor as we share the common experience of hunger. In this way, we are drawn closer to God and our neighbour.

As the first week of Ramadan begins, we ask God to bless and strengthen our Muslim brothers and sisters that they may have a spiritually fruitful Ramadan.

Please note that Fridays during Lent are still observed as days of abstinence from meat in many Catholic families and for Catholics over the age of 14 with the focus on prayer, self-denial and helping others during this penitential season. Meat-free options are available in both the canteen and the Sugarloaf Café.

Upcoming Events, Masses and Liturgies in the Tenison Woods College Chapel

Mass takes place every Thursday at 9:10 am in our school chapel, with a different year level preparing for and attending the Mass each week. R-3 Liturgies take place once each term. We welcome family and community members to attend. The upcoming roster is-

- Week 7 Thursday 14 March 9.15am Year 10 Mass
- Week 8 Tuesday 19 March R-2 Liturgies (Reception@11.30am, Year 2 @ 12.05pm, Year 1@12.40pm)
- Thursday 21 March 9.15am Year 4/5 Mass
- Thursday 21 March 10.15am Year 3 Liturgy

From the Parish

Youth Mass at St Paul's Catholic Parish (Mount Gambier)

Youth Mass and Youth Group will be taking place this Saturday 16 March at St Paul's. Students from Years 7-12 are encouraged to come along. Following the 6pm Mass, Youth Group will gather for shared dinner and a session on Faith and Wellbeing. How can faith help us face personal challenges and trials? Patrick Rudd, a parishioner and teacher, will help in facilitating this session.

If you aren't currently on the email list for Youth Group information but would like to be, please contact Matthew Glynn (glynm@tenison.catholic.edu.au) to have your contact details added.

Family Mass at St Paul's Catholic Parish (Mount Gambier)

The next Family Mass will be taking place on Sunday 24 March, which is Palm Sunday, at 11am at St Paul's

FISH FRIDAY

Come along to our Parish's Fish Friday this Lent! It is an opportunity for us to get together to enjoy great company and delicious food before heading to the Stations of the Cross. It has been proven that the family that eats and prays together, stays together!

Our next family dinner will take place Friday 15 March from 5.00-7.00pm at the Bay Road Social Club Room, Reidy Park Complex, O'Halloran Terrace. The cost will be \$18 for 2 pieces of fish, \$15 for 1 piece of fish & \$8 for children aged 8 and under. All meals come with hot chips, bread & salad. Drinks will be available for purchase on the night.

For catering purposes and dietary requirements, please book online on <https://www.trybooking.com/CPLBV> or contact the Parish Office. Don't let the cost be a hindrance for anyone to attend. Please speak to one of the priests for assistance. See you at the family dinner! Bookings are now open.

Sally Telford | Religious Education Coordinator

Uniform Shop

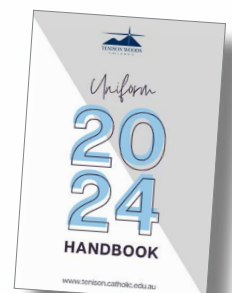
Opening Hours

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





Year 7 'Stick It'

Students in Year 7 'Stick It' designed a vector art around the newest model Bomber from Angry Birds. As you can see in the background, students were inspired!

Yunita Manfrin | Digital Creative Arts/ Design Teacher Year 7 12



SHINEfm Podcast

Tune in this week as we catch up with Sports Coordinator, Kaitlin Egan and talk all things Interschool Athletics Carnival.

Interschool Athletics Carnival is being hosted by Tenison Woods College at Marist Park on Wednesday 20 March.

Listen on Spotify: <https://rb.gy/uconle>

Listen on our Website: <https://rb.gy/ugo9vw>



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



Upcoming Key Dates

Week 7

Monday 11 March

- Public Holiday

Tuesday 12 March

- Student Free Day

Wednesday 13 March

- NAPLAN
- Years 2A & 2C Echo Farm Excursion | Echo Farm, 9:00am- 11:00am
- Years 2B & 2D Echo Farm Excursion | Echo Farm, 11:20am - 1:50pm

Thursday 14 March

- NAPLAN
- Year 11/12 Girls and Boys Knockout Tennis | Olympic Park
- Millicent Families Gathering | 6pm
- Year 7 Information Evening | St Anthony's, 7:15pm

Friday 15 March

- NAPLAN
- Lucindale Field Days - Visit us at the Yakka Pavilion
- Year 10 Agriculture Lucindale Field Days

Week 8

Monday 18 March

- NAPLAN
- Year 6 Swimming Lessons
- Students of the World Information Session | Lecture Theatre

Tuesday 19 March

- NAPLAN
- Year 6 Swimming Lessons
- Reception, Year 1 & 2 Liturgies | Chapel

Wednesday 20 March

- NAPLAN
- Year 6 Swimming Lessons
- Senior Music Camp | Portland
- Interschool Athletics Carnival | Marist Park
- Year 4B & C Pumping Station Excursion | Blue Lake Pumping Station

Thursday 21 March

- NAPLAN
- Senior Music Camp | Portland
- Year 6 Swimming Lessons
- Harmony Day
- Year 3 Liturgy | Chapel
- Victorian University Information Expo | Riddoch Arts & Cultural Centre

Friday 22 March

- NAPLAN
- Year 6 Swimming Lessons
- Senior Music Camp
- SAPSASA District Athletics | Mount Gambier High School
- Year 4D & A Pumping Station Excursion | Blue Lake Pumping Station
- Year 4-6 Assembly | 2:05pm
- Year 2-3 Assembly | 2:40pm



Celebration of Journey & Legacy

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Friday, 12 April 2024

formal proceedings will commence at 10.00am in the Barrie Holmes Stadium

South East Field Days

Open Heart, Open Arms

Tenison Woods College welcomes you with an Open Heart and Open Arms. Would you like your child to feel welcome, included and supported in their education? Would you like your child to be the best version of themselves? Do you have your child becoming a capable learner? Would you like your child reach their full potential and let their light shine? At Tenison Woods College, your child will be supported on their journey, equipping them with the skills to ensure success no matter what pathway they take in life.

Changing from Early Learning to Year 12, Tenison Woods College is a Catholic, co-educational college, renowned for its strong standing across faith in the areas of Learning, Faith and Wellbeing.

In addition to a strong pastoral care focus, built on connection, communication and genuine care for each student, Tenison Woods College boasts two award-winning programmes, both in Middle School and Junior School areas.

These contributions within the overall college community ultimately ensure your child knows they have a place where they belong.

Tenison Woods College provides an offering of wonderful facilities for students, with several new state-of-the-art MacKillop Junior School providing students learning spaces that give them a pleasure to thrive.

So why not join the excitement at our Tenison Woods College and offer your child in 2024 and beyond? Come and speak with staff at Site 40, Yalokka Pavilion.

Or alternatively, please contact Enrolment Registrar, Tracey Olney (enrolment@tenison.catholic.edu.au or phone 08 8725 5455).

Enrolments Open for Year 7 in 2025

Visit us Site 40 Yalokka Pavilion

TENISON WOODS COLLEGE Mount Gambier
Early Learning - Year 12 Co-Educational Catholic College P: (08) 8725 5455
Learn more at: www.tenison.catholic.edu.au

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Look Hue's Talking

Students in Year 8 have started making their own water colour paint today. Using items that can be found in the home, we mixed a binder and then crushed recycled pigments. We ground the pigment and binder together and then poured it into pots, creating custom paint sets. Next week we will be making brushes and testing our art materials.

Callout: if you have any expired powdered makeup, chalk, etc. we would love to take your donations for future paint making

Meghan Amoroso | Teacher/Arts Learning Area Coordinator

Canteen Reminders

- Please ensure the Student Profile in the QKR! App created for ordering is your child's name (not the parent name);
- QKR! App Orders need to be in by **NO LATER THAN 8.30AM** for same day orders;
- Please carefully check day / date of order when using the QKR! App, and the details of all orders before proceeding to checkout.

If you have any questions regarding the Qkr! App, please contact Jess Herring at herj@tenison.catholic.edu.au.

Leanne Sandow | Canteen Manager

Category	Item	Price
GREEN FOODS	Apple	\$1.50
	Banana	\$1.50
	Orange	\$1.50
	Apple & Orange	\$2.50
	Apple & Banana	\$2.50
	Apple & Orange & Banana	\$3.50
	Apple & Orange & Banana & Raisins	\$4.50
	Apple & Orange & Banana & Raisins & Yogurt	\$5.50
	Apple & Orange & Banana & Raisins & Yogurt & Honey	\$6.50
	Apple & Orange & Banana & Raisins & Yogurt & Honey & Nuts	\$7.50
RED & AMBER FOODS	Hot Pot	\$1.50
	Hot Pot & Bread	\$2.50
	Hot Pot & Bread & Salad	\$3.50
	Hot Pot & Bread & Salad & Drink	\$4.50
	Hot Pot & Bread & Salad & Drink & Dessert	\$5.50
	Hot Pot & Bread & Salad & Drink & Dessert & Nuts	\$6.50
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RED FOODS	Hot Pot	\$1.50
	Hot Pot & Bread	\$2.50
	Hot Pot & Bread & Salad	\$3.50
	Hot Pot & Bread & Salad & Drink	\$4.50
	Hot Pot & Bread & Salad & Drink & Dessert	\$5.50
	Hot Pot & Bread & Salad & Drink & Dessert & Nuts	\$6.50
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	Hot Pot & Bread & Salad & Drink & Dessert & Nuts & Yogurt & Honey & Nuts & Raisins	\$10.50

[Click Here for the Menu](#)



79th Annual Interschool Athletics Carnival

Hosted by

Tenison Woods College



Bordertown High School
Grant High School
Millicent High School
Mount Gambier High School
Penola High School
St Martins Lutheran College
Tenison Woods College



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Marist Park