



Open Heart Open Arms

WEDNESDAY 20 MARCH 2024 ,WEEK 8, TERM 1

2024 SOUTH EAST FIELD DAYS

It was wonderful to see old scholars, grandparents, staff members and current Tenison Woods College students attend the South East Field Days. Judy Jenkin and Lewis Lean's Agriculture Class were in attendance for their Year 10 Agriculture Class with many challenges set for the students on the day to experience. A special thank you to our student volunteers over the 2 days, Tillie, Trixie, Mawson, Piper, Archie, Sophie, Louise and Charlie and special thank to Seth for his help with the pack up. Our Student helpers assisted to run the Blue Yakka Trail (a fundraiser for Lucindale Area School). Thank you to students who volunteered their time. It was wonderful to connect and meet with so many people over the two days.



From the Principal



79th Annual Interschool Athletics Carnival

Today we enjoyed the South East Interschool Athletics Carnival, at Marist Park, where Tenison Woods College hosted the Carnival. Special thanks to Kaitlin Egan, Aleisha Hunter, Jorja Mitchell and the HPE Staff Team for their leadership, in addition to all the supportive staff, students and families who played a part in ensuring the success of the

Carnival.



Harmony Week - Everyone Belongs

This 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 21 March; the United Nation's International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

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

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.

Open Heart and Open Arms During Holy Week – A Celebration of Life and Love

This weekend we celebrate Palm Sunday, the Passion of the Lord and the beginning of Holy Week.

The Easter Triduum (a period of three days' observance, specifically Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday) begins with the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday. We remember the night before his suffering and death when Jesus gathered to celebrate the Passover Meal with his apostles.

The Stations of the Cross on Good Friday morning are celebrated in our churches across the region and in the afternoon we celebrate the Lord's Passion in both St Paul's and St Alphonsus' churches. We are reminded that Good Friday is a day of both abstinence (refraining from eating meat) and fasting (eating less food).

There is no Mass on Holy Saturday until the Easter Vigil. At our Masses on Easter Sunday, we renew our Baptisms and are blessed with the Easter water before receiving Holy Communion.

These celebrations of Holy Week help us acknowledge our own share in sin and seek the forgiveness and healing of Jesus. In the words of Pope Francis we are called to "a renewed personal encounter with Christ ... Those who accept his offer of salvation are set free from sin, sorrow, inner emptiness and loneliness. With Christ, joy is constantly born anew."

In the same way, God lives in us by His Holy Spirit. He helps us in our ordinary lives grow our gifts by accepting God's love and invitation to a relationship with our God, as expressed through our relationships with others. The celebrations of Holy Week can be found in the CIM team news in this newsletter.

Easter Joy and Easter Eggs

In all our Easter Masses we are invited to renew our Baptismal Promises. Here we symbolically die with Christ so as to rise with him to new life. At this time we consciously and deliberately renew our commitment to Christ and his way of life as we renew our Baptisms.

I remind the College community that we are in the season of Lent right up until

Easter Sunday (31 March) and as such we do not give out Easter Eggs prior to this time. From Easter Sunday we are in the season of Easter for 50 days which gives us more than enough time to hand out Easter Eggs and celebrate the joy of Easter.

Veiling of the Statues in the Chapel

During the 5th Sunday of Lent, you might notice something different in some churches (and our school chapel). Statues and crosses are covered with special cloths. It's not just for decoration; there's a deeper meaning behind it. It's a way for the church to visually show that we're in a special time of waiting and reflection before Easter. You see, Lent is a time when Christians think a lot about Jesus' journey to the cross and his sacrifice for us. By covering these symbols, it's a reminder that we're waiting for Easter, when we celebrate Jesus rising from the dead. So, it's like a little pause to help us focus on the big meaning behind Easter and what it means for our faith.

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 on Wednesday 30 March at 7:00pm in the Pam Ronan Centre. Nominations have been received from community members and from here, the timeline is:

The timeline for nominations and elections is:

Wednesday, 20 March 2024	Voting papers sent to parents via edsmart broadcast
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.

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.

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 zone are on the driveways running alongside the PRC 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.

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 wangingini, 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.

God Bless,
David Meziniec | Principal



Celebration of Journey & Legacy

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CIM Team News



Holy Week

Holy Week begins this Sunday. Holy Week is the week before Easter Sunday. It begins seven days before with Palm Sunday. It ends with Holy Saturday. Easter is not part of Holy Week, but rather the beginning of the Easter season of the Liturgical year.

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday. On this day, we celebrate the triumphant entry of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, into Jerusalem, riding a donkey. Later, when Jesus entered the Temple, he angrily drove out the money changers who had turned the Temple court into a place of business instead of devotion. Once the court was cleared, Jesus began teaching the masses. Meanwhile, His enemies drew plans to kill Him. The next major event in Holy Week is Holy Thursday. On this day, Jesus celebrated the Passover feast with the disciples. We know this feast as the Last Supper. After supper, Jesus went to the Mount of Olives and prayed. Jesus was arrested on the night of Holy Thursday. The next day is Good Friday, and on this day, we commemorate the trial, punishment, and crucifixion of Our Lord. Throughout next week, all classes will be involved in learning about and commemorating the significant events of Holy Week.

Giving of Easter Eggs

At Tenison Woods College we discourage the giving of Easter Eggs during the Lenten season prior to Easter Sunday in line with the liturgical calendar. As we near the end of the 40 days of Lent we are still in a season of fasting and abstaining from luxurious items in the readiness for the Easter event. Our focus during Holy Week, is still on preparing ourselves for Easter Sunday when we end this fast and celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Part of the tradition of Easter Sunday is the giving of eggs as a symbol of new life and joy. It is from Easter Sunday, that we enter the season of Easter with 50 days of joy and celebration until Pentecost.

Students who do wish to share the joy of Easter with their friends or class mates are asked to refrain from doing so at school until they return to school on Easter Tuesday.

Caritas K's, casual clothes and gold coin donation

On Tuesday, 26 March, we will be holding our annual Caritas K's event. On this day, students are invited to wear casual clothes and bring along a gold coin for Project Compassion. Throughout the day, classes will walk laps along a designated path through the school grounds, being tasks with different challenges at each stopping point, in solidarity with those worldwide who need to walk long distances for basic necessities and who do not have easy access to safe and drinkable water.

Casual Clothes guidelines:

- Students are to wear neat casual clothes that are appropriate for general learning, including sports clothing if it is a PE day.
- Shoes must comply with safety standards: they must be closed in and protect feet: No thongs (including Birkenstocks), sandals, Ugg boots or heels are to be worn.
- General clothing must be of a respectable standard: no brief or skimpy shorts, tops or skirts, or inappropriate slogans.

NEW Millicent Catholic Youth Group

We would kindly like to invite children from Year 6 to Year 12 who are under 18 years of age to the Millicent Catholic Youth Group, which will be held every 4th Saturday of the month in the Catholic Parish Hall after 4:30pm mass, from 5:30pm to 7:00pm.

The first session will commence on 23 March. Each evening will entail games, faith formation and food, as well as an opportunity to foster and develop friendships with each other and with God. One does not need to be a Catholic to attend, but the faith formation will be shaped by Christian spirituality. Please contact Mrs Sharp to register your interest or to gain further information sharp@tenison.catholic.edu.au

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 8 - Thursday 21 March 9:15am Year 4/5 Mass
Thursday 21 March 10:15am Year 3 Liturgy

Week 9 - Please note there is no Mass held at TWC on Thursday 28 March. Please refer to the Parish Holy Week Timetable for Mass times at St Paul's.



FROM THE PARISH

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

The next Family Mass will be held on this Sunday 24 March at 11:00am (Palm Sunday). Family Mass is held on the weekend of the 4th Sunday of the month at St Paul's Church, Penola Road. Children from the College and St Paul's Parish help to lead the Mass.

St Paul's Children's Choir will be singing at the Family Mass this Sunday. If your child would like to participate, please contact Sally Telford for rehearsal details telfs@tenison.catholic.edu.au

The monthly Family Mass is followed by morning tea in the Gathering Space of the church. Students in Reception to Year 6 are encouraged to attend.

Sacramental Session

A reminder that SESSION 3 for those currently involved in the Sacramental Program will be held this Saturday 23 March at 2:00pm in St Paul's Hall.

We keep these children and their families in our prayers as they prepare to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday 11 April.

Sally Telford | Religious Education Coordinator

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES

ST PAUL'S, MT GAMBIER

PALM SUNDAY

SAT 23 MARCH 6PM MASS
SUN 24 MARCH 11AM MASS

25 MARCH 9AM MASS
27 MARCH 6PM MASS

HOLY THURSDAY

28 MARCH 5:30-6:30PM CONFESSIONS
7PM MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
CHURCH OPEN UNTIL MIDNIGHT

GOOD FRIDAY

29 MARCH 11AM STATIONS OF THE CROSS
3PM LORD'S PASSION
4-5PM CONFESSIONS

HOLY SATURDAY

30 MARCH 7PM EASTER VIGIL MASS

EASTER SUNDAY

31 MARCH 11AM MASS

[CLICK HERE](#) for Regional Holy Week Mass Services



Upcoming Key Dates

Week 8

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 | Portland
- 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

Week 9

Monday 25 March

- NAPLAN
- SAPSASA Boys & Girls Softball Carnival | Adelaide
- Year 12 PE Golf Excursion | Blue Lake Golf Club Driving Range

Tuesday 26 March

- SAPSASA Boys & Girls Softball Carnival | Adelaide
- Year 10 Immunisations | PRC Lecture Theatre
- Caritas K's | Whole School Casual Day
- 3-Way Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences | Years 7-12

Wednesday 27 March

- SAPSASA Boys & Girls Softball Carnival | Adelaide
- College Board AGM | Lecture Theatre, 7:00pm

Thursday 28 March

- Holy Thursday
- SE Primary Schools Music Festival | Reidy Park Primary School
- R-6 Early Finish | 2:15pm
- 7-12 Early Finish | 2:20pm

Friday 29 March

- Good Friday | Public Holiday

Saturday 30 March

- Easter Saturday

Sunday 31 March

- Easter Sunday

Week 10

Monday 1 April

- Easter Monday | Public Holiday
- Joy Week

Tuesday 2 April

- Joy Week
- SAPSASA District Golf Day | Penola
- Year 7-11 South East Zone Golf | Attumurra Golf Club

Wednesday 3 April

- Joy Week
- Stage 1 Drama Rehearsals 'Teen'
- 3-Way Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences | Years 7-12



Old Scholar Shares Journey

John Andre (AM)

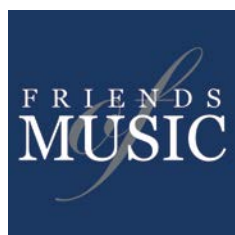
At the recent South East Field Days, the Tenison Woods College site had a wonderful visitor stop by to say hello! John Andre (AM) attended the Marist Brothers College between 1947-1951 in Years 4 to 7 as a weekly boarder. During his time at the Marist Brothers College he recalls Brother Eric was the Principal and Brother Marcus was a great Football player. John shared his memories of the farmer across the road who used to farm potatoes and onions and the Brothers used to get the boys to help on the farm. In return the farmer paid the brothers, and the money was used for food. John mentioned they all had their own vegetable plots and were graded on how well they were cared for and the growth of their vegetables. John showed us where they used to stay as boarders.

It was so lovely to meet Mr Andre who went on to lead a very interesting life.



Little Leaders Making A Change

Our Little Leaders have been meeting fortnightly to use their student voice to make positive change within our Junior School. The first Little Leaders meeting was held in our beautiful Prayer Garden which is a direct result of fantastic initiatives led by our wonderful young learners.



Seeking Volunteers For Friends Of Music Committee

Friends of Music is a committee for anybody interested in supporting the music program at Tenison Woods College. We generally meet on

the first Tuesday of each month at 6pm onsite in the music building at Tenison Woods College.

As a member of Friends Of Music, you could take on various roles i.e. helping out at concerts, assisting to fundraise. Please feel free to contact Kathleen Finney (outgoing Chairperson) on kafflight@hotmail.com.au if you would like to join the team!

EVENT	PREVIOUS RECORD HOLDER & YEAR	SCORE	NEW RECORD HOLDER	SCORE
13 Yr Female 1500m	Lucy Crowe (McAuley) 2022	6:14.25	Piper Wardle (Woods)	6:12.81
13 Yr Female Javelin	Louise Stanley (McAuley) 2022	17.7m	Indi Coghlan (McAuley)	18.5m
13 Yr Female Long Jump	Lucy Crowe (McAuley) 2022	3.86m	Annabelle Gordon (Woods)	3.88m
13 Yr Female 400m	Lucy Crowe (McAuley) 2023	1:11.37	Sophie Pearce (Woods)	1:09.73
13 Yr Female Triple Jump	Lucy Crowe (McAuley) 2023	7.79m	Annabelle Gordon (Woods)	8.76m
13 Yr Female 4 x 100m Relay	Champagnat 2022	1:02.88	Woods	1:01.74
14 Yr Female Javelin	Erin Watson (Woods) 2011	22.44m	Gracie Carroll (Champagnat)	22.9m
14 Yr Male Javelin	No Record	37.65m	Hamish Gordon (Woods)	37.89m
14 Yr Male Discus	Jarrad Chambers (Champagnat) 1996	34.56m	Hamish Gordon (Woods)	40.3m
15 Yr Female 100m	Sara Turnbull (Mackillop) 2008	13.47	Raine Darimaani (Champagnat)	12.97
15 Yr Female 200m	Belinda Scanlon (McAuley) 1995	28.40	Raine Darimaani (Champagnat)	26.56
16 Yr Female 200m	Eliza Hunter (Mackillop) 2017	29.14	Maggie Collins (Woods)	28.95
16 Yr Male 800m	William Johnson (Woods) 2001	2:16.60	Masimba Chindewere (Champagnat)	2:16.25
19 Yr Male 800m	Jackson Bowden (Woods) 2023	2:07.19	Jonny Collins (Woods)	2:05.65

Records Broken at Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to all Tenison Woods College athletes who broke impressive records during our 7-12 Athletics Carnival. You should all be incredibly proud of the hard work and dedication you have put towards your individual events.



Agriculture Students Immersed In Field Days Experience

The Year 10 Agriculture students were connecting their learning of animal handling and the impact yard design has on safety and ease of management into the real-world visiting manufacturers at their sites. They also participated in a walking trail visiting various industry stakeholders to making connections and introducing themselves.

Lewis Lean and Judy Jenkin | Agriculture Teachers

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





College wins Howard Mutton Trophy in 2023 for the 9th time

We are excited to announce, Tenison Woods College once again won the Howard Mutton Trophy for Country Schools in 2023.

Howard Mutton advocated for increasing the participation of young people in physical education and sport in schools for over 20 years. In his work as president of the SA Secondary Schools Sport Association, head of the Physical Education branch and superintendent of Health and Physical Education, he was a mentor to many aspiring young sports people and influenced the training of physical education teachers. He influenced the teachers' colleges to ensure that PE was part of teacher training.

He participated at state level in cricket as a player and coach and excelled as coach of the state team of the South Australian Amateur Football League for many years. He believed in the social value and connections through involvement in sport and believed there was a place and level of participation for anyone who wanted to give it a go.

This award is exactly in recognition of the values of school sport. It is not about how many competitions a school can win but it is about how many students can be involved in representing their school in sport. It's about connecting, playing with your mates and having fun.

Congratulations to all staff and students for their outstanding efforts in being recognised for this award in 2023.



Angus Gains Cert III In Agriculture

Congratulations to Angus Clarke who has recently completed his Certificate III in Agriculture through Mount Gambier TAFE within the VFSS (VET for School Students) program. Angus gained competencies in many of the things he was already doing at his family farm, such as feeding stock, milking, operating quad bikes and operating front end loaders. He undertook this vocational education whilst also juggling his Year 11 commitments, and completed it in blocks during his school year.



Titans Tennis Triumphs at Olympic Park: Girls Secure Spot in Statewide Schools Carnival

It was a day filled with excitement and fierce competition as Tenison Woods College's tennis teams took to the courts at Olympic Park for the Year 11 and 12 Knockout Tennis Competition. While the boys narrowly missed out on advancing to the Statewide Schools Carnival, the girls' team secured a well-deserved spot with their exceptional performances.

In the Boys' division, Tenison faced two challenging games. Game 1 saw them up against Grant High School, where despite a spirited effort from our double's teams Archie and Reid plus Jackson and Jacob, Grant High School emerged victorious. However, Reid's impressive singles win provided a glimmer of hope for Tenison in an otherwise tough round.

Undeterred by the setback, Tenison's boys rallied in Game 2 against St Martin's College. The doubles pairings of Reid and Archie showcased their synergy with a resounding win, while Jackson and Jacob fought back from a deficit, showcasing determination and grit. In singles play, Reid and Archie maintained their winning momentum, clinching crucial victories for Tenison. Although the match was closely contested, Tenison emerged triumphant, showcasing their resilience and skill on the court.

Meanwhile, the girls' team demonstrated their dominance on the court, beginning with a stellar performance against Grant High School, not dropping a set. Alita and Maggie led the charge with a 6-3 win in doubles, followed by a flawless 6-0 victory from Ella and Sarah. The singles matches showcased Tenison's strength, with Alita, Maggie, Ella, and Sarah all delivering commanding performances, securing wins across the board and clinching a resounding victory for Tenison.

Buoyed by their success, the girls faced off against St Martin's College in their second game. Once again, the doubles pairs of Alita and Maggie, along with Ella and Sarah, asserted their authority, both claiming victories to give Tenison a solid foundation. In the singles matches, the girls continued their dominance, with Alita, Maggie, Ella, and Sarah delivering outstanding performances, each securing convincing 6-0 or 6-1 wins.

Congratulations to all the players, coaches, and staff for a great competition. While our boys may not have advanced this time, their efforts have set a strong foundation for future success. Let's continue to support and cheer on our tennis teams as they represent Tenison Woods College with pride and determination! Go Titans!





Environmental Crusaders Take Action

Thank you to Mitchell and Jacob, Year 5 Environmental Crusaders for their effort in tidying up the Junior School yard. At Tenison Woods College we have a long-term commitment to Sustainability and Ecological Conversion. The College's Project Recology Shed has recycled over a tonne of plastic waste products, turning them into sheets, pots, signage and just about anything you can think of! Well done!



Project Mural in 2024

Our year 9 Project Mural class is busy working away on our latest mural: 'A snapshot of our school'. The students started with researching sources of inspiration and then began sketching the compositions. We are now transferring the images onto 24 panels and painting them. The finished works will be displayed in Marist Park later in the year.



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

Canteen Reminders

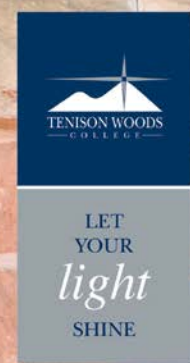
- Please ensure the Student Profile in the QKR! App created for ordering is your child's name (not the parent name);
- QKR! App Orders need to be in by **NO LATER THAN 8.30AM** for same day orders;
- Please carefully check day / date of order when using the QKR! App, and the details of all orders before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

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

Leanne Sandow | Canteen Manager



Year 7 2025 Information Evening



Penola
NEW DATE
Tuesday 21 May
at 7:15pm
Mary MacKillop Memorial School

TENISON WOODS COLLEGE Mount Gambier

Early Learning - Year 12 Co-Educational Catholic College P: (08) 8725 5455

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YEAR 6 SWIMMING LESSONS





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