WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Tenison Woods College Early Learning to Year 12 Co-Educational Catholic College

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COLLEGE School Closure Day -This Friday 25 October

WEDNESDAY 23 OCTOBER 2024 WEEK 2, TERM 4

YEAR 12 STUDENTS AND RECEPTION BUDDIES Spend Memorable Final Days Together

As our Year 12 students journey at Tenison Woods College is drawing to a close, the Receptions gifted a candle to their buddies, in anticipation for the upcoming Year 12 Farewell Assembly this Thursday. A very competitive staff v students dodge ball game was also held at lunch time which saw both teams take some impressive hits and catches. We wish our Year 12s all the best for their trial exams, and we look forward to watching the Receptions escort their buddy down the aisle this week.















From the Principal



Catch Up, Reunite, Connect – Together Again

The Friends of Tenison Woods College (Old Scholars Association) was delighted with the response to its Catch Up, Reunite, Connect Function on Sunday afternoon 20th October held at Tenison Woods College, from 1:00pm – 3:00pm.

Old scholars and interested people toured the evolving College community, from College honour boards to our newest buildings, to see how the College has grown to be the wonderful Early Years to Year 12 Catholic Coeducational School Community it is today. Participants also had the opportunity to view some of the archival material held in the library, and enjoy some afternoon tea.

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 Thursday morning, 24 October. The program for the morning will include:

- 8.00 9.00am Breakfast for 2024 Year 12 students shared with staff
- 9.45 10.25am Year 12 Farewell Assembly in the BHS
- 10.40 10.55am Guard of Honour
- 11.00am 12.00pm Year 12 Farewell Mass for 2024 Year 12 students in the Tanisan Woods College Chapal
- 12:15pm Yea

the Tenison Woods College Chapel Year 12 Student Departure

We anticipate that the morning will be a highlight for the Year 12 students, 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 that extra effort during this period, so that they will be appropriately rewarded with individual and communal success.

Discerning Student Leadership for 2025

As Tania Sigley and I met with School Captain candidates last Wednesday to discuss their vision and hopes for the College community in 2025 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 2025 will be critical to what we as a school achieve and how the student's voice is given expression in our school community.

PRC Driveway – Extra Crossing

In response to the evolution of the school, increased traffic flows and community requests we have created a new crossing on the White Avenue internal driveway leading up to the Pam Ronan Centre past the Barrie Holmes Stadium.

Staff and year 6 student crossing monitors will steward the crossing. They will allow traffic to flow as much as is possible by waiting for a large group to gather before stopping traffic, which will also cause minimal disruption to the flow of cars and buses.

We trust this strategy will complement the safety of our families at that part of the College.

Navigating Inescapable Moments" presented by Nathan "Dubsy" Want

Catholic School Parents SA (CSPSA) continues to present the Parent Engagement Series and welcomes all parents and carers of children in Catholic schools to attend.

We are pleased to present - "Navigating Inescapable Moments" presented by Nathan "Dubsy" Want. Nathan will speak about key moments facing teens, providing parents with tools and strategies to support and lead their teen through current and future moments by fostering growth and resilience.

Nathan is a speaker and author who helps teens and parents through life's inescapable moments. For the past 18 years he has worked with teens and parents in various environments in the areas of wellbeing and leadership to give them skills to deal with what's in front of them right now and what's coming up later in life.

The session will have an online option and is free to all parents, caregivers, and staff. On Tuesday 29 October 2024 - 6:00pm – 7:30pm (in person or online) Nazareth Catholic Community 344 Findon Road Kidman Park. Please see poster later in this newsletter for further details.



Working Bee

Can you offer half an hour Saturday 9 November? During the Working Bee we will complete the planting of the swale and prayer garden, replenish sand in the ELCC, add extra soft-fall chips to the MacKillop Junior School play areas, and paint the fence between the ELCC and Reception play areas.

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.**

BYOD - Year 6 Families, ready for Year 7 in 2025

As the year flies by and we look to 2025, I remind families that if they are thinking about purchasing a device for next year, 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-purchaseportal

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

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 2025.

Key dates for the commencement of 2025:

A full list of 2025 key dates will follow soon, but to assist with planning I inform our College community of dates to commence the 2025 academic year:

Wednesday 22 Jan 2025All Teaching Staff commenceThursday 23 Jan 2025Book collection day and staff planning dayMonday 27 Jan 2025Australia Day Public HolidayTuesday 28 Jan 2025ELCC, Rec, Years 7, 10,11, 12 commence term 1.Wednesday 29 Jan 2025Years 1-6 and Years 8 and 9 commence term 1.

Parish Planned Giving Rebate

I remind families that parents contributing to the Parish Planned Giving may claim a rebate from Tuition Fees of 50% of their contribution up to a maximum claim of \$750. Official Parish receipts are to be presented to the Finance Department.

Staff Professional Learning Communities of Practice Conference, CoP24

This Thursday afternoon and Friday staff will be attending the Communities of Practice Conference, CoP24. This is a celebration of communal and collaborative endeavour conducted in 2024 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 are delighted to have staff of Mary MacKillop Memorial School and St Anthony's Catholic Primary School join this significant Learning Conference.

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, CoP24 is 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.

God Bless,

David Mezinec | Principal

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.

On All Saints Day we honour all Saints, canonised or not, known and unknown. This day can be celebrated by reading stories of the Saints and praying to them, reminding us that there are many

paths to sainthood, and we are all called to holiness just like they were. On All Soul's Day, we honour our deceased loved one, and pray for their souls, and ask them to pray for us. One of the ancient Catholic customs is to visit a cemetery and pray for the dead on All Souls Day (November 2nd). Fr Peter and Fr Olek will be visiting the cemeteries of our parishes to bless the graves of deceased friends and loved ones. You are invited to join them. Please refer to the Parish bulletin for locations and times.

The pagan festival Halloween, which is celebrated with growing enthusiasm in Australia, interestingly comes from the old English word, 'hallow,' and literally means holy or blessed 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 have gone before us and responded to the invitations of their time with an imagination, creativity and courage. Their lives were so filled with the love of God that people began to experience God's love more deeply through them.

November- Reflection Space

This All Souls Day, we would like honour and remember loved ones who have passed away by recording their names and having these visible in the school chapel.

If your family would like a loved one's name to be added to the reflection space, please email name/s through to me at **telfs@tenison.catholic.edu.au**

Our purpose is to provide a space for our community to visit and pray for loved ones and to provide a dedicated place for quiet reflection throughout week 3 and into the month of November.

Term 4 Masses in the College Chapel

Mass is celebrated each Thursday of the term and is led by a different year level each week. Due to a shortened term, some Year Level Masses will take place on a Tuesday, indicated below. All are welcome to join us for these masses.

Upcoming Masses and Liturgies

Thursday 24 October - 11:00am. Year 12 Final Mass Thursday 31 October - 9:10am, Year 4 Mass Tuesday 5 November - 12:00pm, Year 5 Mass

FROM THE PARISH

Family Mass

Family Mass will be held at the 11am Mass this Sunday, 27 October, at St Paul's Church, Penola Road. Children up to Year 6 are encouraged to attend.

15 minutes with Father

15 minutes with Father is back! The new series will continue this Sunday, 27 October, immediately after the 11am Mass. The series will explore Jesus' ministry recounted in the Gospel of Mark, particularly the various miracles he performed. A beautifully curated resource has been prepared for the children.



Graduates Share Knowledge With Year 11 Cohort

Recent graduates from Tenison Woods College spoke to the Year 11 cohort last week about their journeys since leaving school. With each taking a very different pathway, it was timely for Year 11 students to learn more about pathway and career options, and what each had considered in making key decisions about their futures. Advice included the importance of knowing yourself and the sort of work and environment you would best thrive in, focussing on advanced maths and physics (for an electrical trade), utilising a Gap Year to explore different options, pushing yourself out of your comfort zone, and taking any and all opportunities that come your way.

Each spoke about what their roles entailed and the importance of communication skills.

It was a special way for students to commence their final term, in readiness for Year 12. Thank you to our Panel members for sharing their time and insights.

From L to R: Aden Clarke – ESO, Tenison Woods College, Chloe MacKenzie – Scholarship Forester, OneFortyOne, Jocelyn Patzel – HR Advisor, OneFortyOne, Paris Cutting – Solicitor, Eckermann Lawyers, Maelee Dalton – Campaign Manager, Ray White Real Estate, Gael Chizungu – ESO, Tenison Woods College and Lochie Thiele – Electrician, Stuckey Electrical

Jody Elliott | Careers Coordinator



See the Community Noticeboard for posters and notices of upcoming events within our College, and wider community. Please click <u>here</u> to view this page.



Uniform Shop Opening Hours

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 <u>click here</u>.

Kylie Watson | Uniform Shop





Upcoming Key Dates

WEEK 2

Thursday 24 October

•	Year 12 End Of Formal Lessons Celebration:	
	8.00 – 9.00am	Breakfast for 2024 Year 12 students shared
		with staff
	9.45 – 10.25am	Year 12 Farewell Assembly in the BHS
	10.40 – 10.55am	Guard of Honour
	11.00am – 12.00pm	Year 12 Farewell Mass for 2024
		students in the Tenison Woods College Chapel
	12.00 – 12.15pm	Thank-You's and 'The Finish Line'
	12:15pm	Year 12 Student Departure
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- Middle and Senior School Art Exhibition
- SAPSASA Multi-Sport Come and Try & Disability Inclusion Sports Day
- Communities of Practice (staff only) 5:00pm-6:00pm
- South East Primary Music Festival Concert 7:30pm-9:00pm

Friday 25 October

- STUDENT FREE DAY
- ELCC CLOSURE DAY
- SAPSASA Basketball Carnival
- Teacher Appreciation Day
- Communities of Practice (staff only)

WEEK 3

Monday 28 October

- Year 10 Surfing & Budj Bim Camp A
- Year 9/10 Boys 35 Over Cricket Penola High School
- Hot Shots Tennis, Years 3/4 Olympic Park

Tuesday 29 October

- Year 10 Surfing & Budj Bim Camp A
- Year 8 Explore Camp, Robe
- Hot Shots Tennis, Years 5/6 Olympic Park
- Year 7 & 10 Catch-Up Immunisations, Lecture Theatre, 10:30am

Wednesday 30 October

- Year 10 Surfing & Budj Bim Camp A
- Year 8 Explore Camp, Robe
- College Board Meeting Board Room, 7:00pm

Thursday 31 October

- Year 8 Explore Camp, Robe
- Year 4 Mass, Chapel, 9:10am

Friday 1 November

- Year 8 Explore Camp, Robe
- All Saints Day
- Years 4-6 Assembly 2:05pm MacKillop Junior School

Years 2-3 Assembly - 2:40pm MacKillop Junior School

Saturday 2 November

All Souls Day



Canteen Reminders

Please be reminded: If students do not pick up lunches on the day they are ordered, we put a reminder call out over the PA system to get the students to come to the canteen to pick them up during lunch. If Students do not come to pick them up after the reminder, we place in compost next morning. Lunches will not be replaced if students have forgotten.

Leanne Sandow | Canteen Manager



Year 8/9 Boys Knockout Basketball Progress To Quarter Finals

Our boys improved with each game in Round 2 of the Year 8/9 Knockout Basketball competition at Sacred Heart College, finishing with an outstanding performance against the home side.

The team started well against Scotch College, building an early lead before Scotch brought the game back even in the third quarter with a defensive zone. Courtesy of a pair of clutch 3 pointers down the stretch we ran out victors 42-39.

Encounter College struggled with our evolving offense, but the real issue for Encounter College was our stellar man to man defense. After employing switching and zone defense in game 1, it was disciplined straight up man defense from the boys in game 2 that led to a myriad of transition offense opportunities. We had excellent contributions from all 10 players leading to a 55-36 triumph.

The best was saved for last. This time it was our patient yet potent offense against the home side that ensured we finished the day undefeated. Competing against superior size, our boys were also at the their toughest defensively. The eventual score 49-40.

It was an impressive improvement across the day from the team who will now compete against St Peter's College in the quarter finals in week 3.

Tom Daly | Coach

LEARNING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM BUDDIES PRESENTATION

Earlier this week, our Learning Assistance Program buddies presented their Year 12 buddy with a heartfelt card of thanks and a small bag of lollies to show their appreciation from the year they have spent together. The LAP program is a Year 12 volunteer program where students are paired to a younger member of the College, who may need one-to-one support or just some time outside of the regular classroom. The LAP program promotes relationships, builds self-esteem and confidence. We congratulate all the buddies and wish everyone a happy rest of the term.



















OLD SCHOLARS AFTERNOON















SA Stage Dancing Society Eisteddfod Success for Angus and Evie

Students Angus Robinson (Year 5) and Evie Stubberfield (Year 8) competed in the renowned South Australian Stage Dancing Society Eisteddfod in Adelaide over the holiday break. They both achieved amazing results with the most notable of them being Angus placing 1st for both his Character and Tap solos and Evie receiving Runner Up in the prestigious Junior Classical Championship. Both students have been working very hard towards their goals and we congratulate them on their successes.



Year 11 Child Studies Present Essential Items Gifts For Newborns

The Year 11 Child Studies class undertook a group task in Term 3 where they had to identify and discuss issues relating to what are essential items for a newborn and their mother. They were to create a gift box which needed to include at least 4 handmade items and bought items as well.

Alarni Holmes assisted with a sewing tutorial with the students to create safe baby items, such as bibs, bags, burp clothes and hats who is the creator / owner of Bear and Co Creations (ELC Teacher). The students had to ensure when deciding what to make they had to have and understanding of correct safety standards for the baby product and these needed to be met to avoid harm or risk.

As a class we discussed the different local charities that would help newborns and women in need. We were in discussions about AC Care and what they do and managed to have a conversation with Sarah Riddoch who works for Children and Family Health Services (CAFS) in the Parenting Program who works alongside AC when visiting new parents. Sarah mention there was a need for baby items for mothers/families who might be at risk or need of some emergency help. Sarah is the mother of student Beatrix Riddoch.

Pictured: Michelle Black, therapeutic social worker and Verity Haymen, Clinical Nurse/Midwife.

Bec Edwards | Year 11 Child Studies Teacher



International Homestay -Do you love different cultures?

Do you have a spare room and would love to open your home and family to a cultural exchange? Tenison Woods College is looking for a welcoming family to provide paid homestay accommodation for a male adolescent student from Japan. Requirements:

A private bedroom for the student

Unlimited WiFi access

All household members over 18 must have a current Working with Children check (or be willing to obtain one through the front office).

This is a wonderful chance to immerse your family in Japanese culture while sharing your home. If you're interested in this enriching opportunity, please reach out to Yolande Langford, Homestay Coordinator, at <u>langy@tenison.catholic.edu.au</u> or call 8725 5455.

Yolande Langford | Homestay Coordinator



SAPSASA Girls Football Representatives

Well done to Milla, Claire, Stellah and Sarah on an outstanding three days of footy in Adelaide. Lots of learning was made, new friendships and even a visit to the Crows AFLW training session. Great job girls.

Tina Opperman | R-6 Sports Coordinator

Hype Dance Mount Gambier Visits ELCC



Are you interested in your child attending the Tenison Woods College Early Learning & Community Centre?

> Submit your expression of interest to have them included on our waitlist – it's never too early to register.



Scan QR code to access form



YEARS 7-12 ART EXHIBITION

The Tenison Woods College Boardroom Corridor has come alive with the works of our Creative Digital Arts and Visual Arts students. Congratulations to our talented students. These works must be seen to truly be appreciated! People's Choice Award voting is also open, with the exhibition running until this Friday. If you would like to visit the exhibition, please come along, with entry via the Front Office.



Scholastic Book Club - Issue 7 Out Now

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** 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 7 need to be in by Friday 1st November. If you purchase books as a gift, Please let your teacher know so this can be passed on.

Jess Lucas | Library Assistant







middle & senior school presents

art

a student exhibition featuring work from Creative Digital Arts & Visual Arts

21st - 25th October

boardroom corridor



Staff v Students Dodge Ball





















YEAR 9 AGRICULTURE CLASS WELCOMES MR. MEZINEC

Today our Year 9 Agriculture Students led by teachers Judy Jenkin and Lewis Lean welcomed our Principal David Mezinec on-farm, for an intensive hands-on experience!

Students showcased their knowledge and practical skills across a range of farming applications including; livestock handling, agronomy, animal behaviour, breeding and the overall journey of the animal from paddock to plate.

Mr Mezinec now is working towards becoming a competent farmer... today he learned the meanings behind joining, 5-in-1, PIC codes, lamb marking, weed identification and so much more!

We are so lucky at Tenison Woods College to have passionate teaching staff allowing our students to have real-world experiences.

























Positions Vacant



We have four exciting opportunities to join the Early Learning & Community Centre in 2025



- 2 x EARLY CHILDHOOD TEACHERS (1.0FTE & 0.5FTE) replacement positions
- EARLY CHILDHOOD DIPLOMA QUALIFIED EDUCATOR replacement position
- EARLY CHILDHOOD CERTIFICATE III QUALIFIED EDUCATOR – permanent position

Commencing January 2025.

For more information, please refer to the Position Information Documents in relation to these roles at: https://www.tenison.catholic.edu.au/our-college/employment

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 4.00PM, 31 OCTOBER 2024



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RAISE A GLASS FOR THE 2025 TITANS USA TOUR

Our excited 2025 Titans USA Tour contingent of 50 students and staff are gearing up, ready to jet off for our 10th biennial USA tour eager to experience US culture, competition, schooling, hospitality and not least of all, create some life long memories.

The group will leave Melbourne in late November 2025 and return three weeks later after taking part in sporting and sight-seeing activities in Seattle, Portland San Francisco, Los Angeles and possibly, Hawaii.

To help raise money for the trip, the group are running a wine drive with Rymill Coonawarra. Rymill is offering discounted prices for 6 pack/dozen purchases.

Please see the order form for varieties and prices. (Minimum order 6 bottles). If you'd like to place an order please email the completed order form to Tanya Thomson (thota@tenison.catholic.edu.au). Wines need to be ordered by Friday 25 October with delivery to Tenison Woods College ready for distribution on the weekend of 9/10 November. Rymill will generously donate 30% of the total orde<u>r to the USA Tour.</u>



CLICK HERE FOR THE ORDER FORM





Catholic School Parents SA is pleased to present:

Navigating Inescapable Moments

presented by Nathan 'Dubsy' Want

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Register via the CESA Registration Centre.

This Parent Engagement Evening, hosted by Catholic School Parents SA,

welcomes all parents and carers of

children in Catholic schools.

cspsa.catholic.edu.au

TENISON WOODS COLLEGE'S PRODUCTION OF



Music & Lyrics by Kristen Anderson-Lopez & Robert Lopez

Book by Jennifer Lee

Based on the Disney film written by Jennifer Lee and directed by Chris Buck and Jennifer Lee

> **Director** Callum Piotr Byrne

Choreographer Samara Hough

Vocal Director Sarah Raymond Band Director Penny Mansell **Prop Master** Nathan Creedy

Wednesday 6th November 2024 Sir Robert Helpmann theatre, 10 Watson Terrace, Mount Gambier SA 5290

Ticket Prices:	
Adult	\$15
Concession	\$10
Family (2A+2C)	\$40

For tickets and further information go to: www.helpmann.countryarts.org.au/

Disney's Frozen JR. is presented through special arrangement with and all authorized materials are supplied by Music Theatre International, New York, NY 212-541-4684 mtishows.com





OLÉG/O

Join us for an evening celebrating the Tenison Woods College inaugural exchange with our sister school COSAFRAX, Hatolia, Timor Leste.

Friday 1 November 6pm – 9pm PRC Common Room, Tenison Woods College Cocktail Food and Drinks included Special guest speakers Eddie De Pina, Father Domingos and past immersion students. **Come along and bring a friend or two!**

\$40 Adults • \$20 children



Scan QR to purchase tickets or go to https:// events.humanitix. com/together-wecan-timor-fundraiser

> All proceeds will be donated to the Timor Leste communities we work closely with.