



Open Heart Open Arms

WEDNESDAY 30 OCTOBER 2024 WEEK 3, TERM 4

FAREWELL CLASS OF 2024!

On Thursday, our Year 12 cohort celebrated their last day of formal lessons. The day started with breakfast in the Common Room, where the students were able to gather and enjoy a meal together before the proceedings of the day commenced. The delicious meals were catered by the Sugarloaf Café and served by the Senior School staff. Year 12 students' Reception buddies led them into their final assembly. The Receptions then performed the song 'You Can Be Anything'. Our Year 5/6 Blaze Choir also put on an amazing performance, to the song 'Impossible is Possible'. We were also pleased to announce our 2025 School Captains, Andi Corfield and Sam Crispino, who will take over from the fantastic leadership that Bree and Teangi have shown this year. We wish the Class of 2024 all the best as they enter the upcoming exam period. The Year 12's then enjoyed a Guard of Honour, with the whole College community joining together to celebrate their great achievements! The formalities of the day finished with a Mass led by Father Peter and Father Olek.



From the Principal



Honouring our Year 12 Students

Last Thursday, 23 October, we formally acknowledged the rite of passage for our Year 12 students and wished them well for the next critical stage of their learning journey.

I thank the students for the way they participated in the program of cooked or continental breakfast, farewell assembly, whole school guard of honour, and final Year 12 Mass.

I also thank the staff and parents who played their part in making it a special day, as well as the Sugarloaf Café for their wonderful catering during the day, to acknowledge the Year 12s of 2024.

A feature of the day was a guard of honour as Year 12s moved to the chapel for their final mass as a Year 12 cohort. The guard of honour symbolised the journey of the Year 12s with us in our College community. At this time as they move to a significant period in that journey we walk right along side the Year 12s and we are right behind them. The guard of honour indicated to the Year 12s that they have been very important to us and they will always be very important to us. But in appreciating this communal support and enjoying these rite of passage moments we asked the Year 12s to remember, when they take responsibility for their future at this time there are often no short cuts – it takes SWAGger (Skill, Work ethic, Attitude, knowing their Game) and full presence to reach their potential. They are in the process of creating something very special, so we urged them to give it the space, time and the full attention it deserves to SHINE with SWAGger.

At this time I offer deep thanks to the Parish Rosary Beads Making Group, who presented hand-made rosary beads to each individual Year 12 student at their final mass together. A day of special memories for our group of graduating students.



Student Leadership

At last week's whole school assembly we thanked our Year 12s for their efforts over the past year as our senior leaders. Our Year 12 Senior Leaders also concluded their active leadership in the School so that they have time to prepare for their exams and concluding assignments. At this significant time of transition we thanked our wonderful school captains, Bree Robinson and Teangi Stephens, for their efforts this year. We also thanked all our Mission Leaders, Wellbeing Leaders, Sustainability Leaders, Sports Leaders, Music Leaders, Learning Leaders, and Founder (House) Leaders for all their efforts this year.

Bree and Teangi had the pleasure of announcing that, from an outstanding array of young people who offered their talents, Andi Corfield and Sam Crispino would be the College Captains for the next school year.

Following on from the student leadership this year I am excited about the next year of student leadership in the College and I pledged the College's support for Andi and Sam's efforts so that their servant leadership will have an impact. I also expect that their leadership will be critical to what we as a school achieve and how the student's voice is given expression in our school community.

Welcome to our Timor Leste Family from Hatolia

On Monday 28 October, we welcomed our 'family' from Saint Frances Xavier College, Hatolia for the first time. The delegation includes:

- Father Domingos Godinho
- Guide and Elder, Eddie De Pina
- Teacher, Silvia Gagao Exposto Gusmoa
- Teacher, Eurico Borges Soares
- Student, Fraelia Marton Soares Araujo
- Student, Aurio Braga De Araujo
- Student, Pedrolina De Jesus Lemos

We thank Bernadette Fisher and her team of helpers for organising the visit and we look forward to extending our characteristic Tenison Woods College

community welcome and friendship in the similar vein that we have been welcomed in Timor Leste on many occasions. Our visits to Hatolia over the past ten years have been consistently by College delegations as: full of joy; generous hospitality; deep appreciation; thoughtful care; and wonderful singing and dancing.

The students and staff will immerse themselves in school life, following a normal timetable during the lessons before lunch. In addition, our Timorese family will be available to meet with classes throughout the day. Guide and elder, Eddie is a wonderful storyteller with an amazing personal journey, and we strongly encourage everyone to take the opportunity to hear his story.

In addition, if you haven't already bought your ticket to the Cocktail Party fundraiser on Friday night, and are able to attend, please purchase your ticket as soon as possible.



Working Bee

Can you offer half an hour Saturday 9 November? During the Working Bee we will complete the planting of the swale and front garden, replenish bark in the garden areas, and soft-fall as well as sand in the College 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-purchase-portal>

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 normally 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 January 2025	All Teaching Staff commence
Thursday 23 January 2025	Book collection day and staff planning day
Monday 27 January 2025	Australia Day Public Holiday
Tuesday 28 January 2025	Poplars, Reception, Years 7, 8, 10, 11, 12 commence Term 1.
Wednesday 29 January 2025	Years 1-6 and Years 8 and 9 commence Term 1.

Staff Professional Learning Communities of Practice Conference, CoP24

Last Thursday afternoon 24 October and Friday 25 October staff attended the Communities of Practice Conference, CoP24. This year we accentuated teacher collaboration and mutual accountability with an aspiration of activating student metacognition and agency to make 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 was 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.

Anxiety and stretch – Camp Experiences

I am thankful for the families who work with our school pastoral care teachers, wellbeing coordinators, counsellors and leadership to navigate the challenging space of student anxiety that is a salient issue in our young, and particularly heightened in the face of camp experiences. While it is important to acknowledge the presence of such conditions for our young, the victory of gradually and deliberately encouraging the stretch and increased circle of security is a critical developmental milestone. I therefore thank parents for working with our staff in acknowledging the presence of anxiety in their children, but deliberately and thoughtfully inviting them to a zone of discomfort, stretch and ultimate personal victory in their development.

God Bless,

David Meziniec | Principal



CIM Team News

Halloween, All Saints and All Soul's Days

Halloween is the shortened form of All Hallows Eve (Hallow'een), and another name for All Hallows is All Saints. All Saints Day follows Hallow'een, and All Souls Day follows All Saints Day. They are all connected and together celebrate the Christian belief that Love always prevails over the darkness, that life flows into eternity, and that no-one can ever fall out of the hand of God.

On All Saints Day, Friday 1 November, 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, Saturday 2 November, we honour our deceased loved ones, 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.

Whilst on All Hallows Eve (Halloween 31 October) we might see decorations with cobwebs, goblins, bats, and representations of the nasty naughty 'spirits' coming out to play - our focus is on the power of good and celebrating when All Saints reign on All Saint's Day.

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 as, indicated below. All are welcome to join us for these masses.

Upcoming Masses and Liturgies

Thursday 31 October	9:10am Year 4 Mass
Tuesday 5 November	2pm Year 6 Mass (TBC)
Thursday 7 November	9:10am Year 11 Mass (with Timor visitors)

FROM THE PARISH

Sacramental Program Reminder

We will have our first session for the Sacrament of First Reconciliation this Saturday 2 November at 2.00pm in St Paul's Hall. Please arrive 5 minutes early so we can organise the folders for the kids and settle them ready for the session to start on time. The session will go for approximately one hour. Parents are not required to stay, but are welcome to join us.

15 minutes with Father

15 minutes with Father is back! It will continue this Sunday, 3 November, immediately after the 11am Mass. The series will explore Jesus' ministry recounted in the Gospel of Mark, particularly the various miracles he performed.

140th Anniversary Calendar

The parish has produced a 2025 calendar to celebrate the 140th anniversary of St Paul's Church. The Calendar costs \$15 and will help raise funds to support the work of the Parish. If you would like to pre-order your copy (or copies!), please contact reception@mtgcatholic.org.au. Final orders need to be received by 3 November.

Premier's Reading Challenge 2024

Students who participated in this year's Challenge will be receiving their award this week. This year we have had 637 students from Reception to Year 12, who have earned awards from Certificates, Medals and Readers for Life, which is a wonderful commitment to reading.

Congratulations on your achievement!

Alexandra Nicholson | Library Manager



Mount Gambier Show Success For Year 3 Students

Congratulations on another successful year at the Mount Gambier Show for our Year 3 Students in the Cookery section.

First Place - Year 3 McCourt Group 3 #683

Second Place - Year 3 Snell Group 2 #688

Third Place - Year 3 Fox Group 4 #694

Ashleigh Flavel | Teacher




Olive Raises Funds For Those In Need

Year 2 Student Olive Bruttomesso has been busy in the kitchen, baking treats and raising funds for those in need. Olive chose to use her funds to purchase backpacks, containing items such as pyjamas, toothbrushes, underwear, toys, pencils and more. These were donated to AC Care. Congratulations Olive on your achievement!



See the Community Noticeboard for posters and notices of upcoming events within our College, and wider community.

Please click [here](#) to view this page.



TENISON WOODS COLLEGE PRESENTS:

CHINA 2025

Tenison Woods College are proud to announce a 14-day China Experience, departing on September 13, 2025 for students in Year 7 & above. Chinese Teacher Lester Chen will be the host of this once-in-a-lifetime experience.

INFORMATION SESSION

30 OCTOBER 2024 AT 7:00PM
PAM RONAN CENTRE,
TENISON WOODS COLLEGE

Wanted

Term 4 TRT's

All year levels: Early Learning - Year 12
 Full or half days
 Regular or occasional work available

Please email Kerry Dempsey
info@tenison.catholic.edu.au



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Breakfast Club

2024





Are you hungry?

Do you come on the bus?
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BC operates Tuesday,
 Wednesday & Thursday
 from 8:10am - 8:40am
 in the Home Ec Room
 (Room 705, upstairs)





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 [click here](#).

Kylie Watson | Uniform Shop



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

Upcoming Key Dates

WEEK 3

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

WEEK 4

Monday 4 November

- Year 12 SACE Exams
- SAPSASA Boys and Girls Cricket, Adelaide
- Musical Rehearsals
- Year 9/10 Boys Knockout Basketball (Round 2) Keith
- Year 4 Swimming Lessons
- Year 9/10 Girls Knockout Basketball (Round 2) Keith
- Year 9/10 Knockout Tennis (Boys and Girls) Olympic Park
- 2025 Term 1 Reception Information Evening

Tuesday 5 November

- Year 12 SACE Exams
- SAPSASA Boys and Girls Cricket, Adelaide
- Musical Rehearsals
- Year 7/8 Knockout Boys T20 Cricket, Blue Lake Sports Park & Yahl
- Year 4 Swimming Lessons
- Junior School Matinee for Musical, Year 5 & 6 attending
- Year 6 Mass

Wednesday 6 November

- Year 12 SACE Exams
- SAPSASA Boys and Girls Cricket, Adelaide
- Year 5 Camp, Mylor
- Year 4 Swimming Lessons
- Junior School Matinee for Musical, Years 2, 3 & Poplars attending
- Musical - Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre, 6:00pm.

Thursday 7 November

- Year 12 SACE Exams
- Year 5 Camp, Mylor
- Poplars Camp, Robe
- Year 4 Swimming Lessons
- Year 7/8 Knockout Tennis (Boys and Girls) Olympic Park
- Year 11 Mass

Friday 8 November

- Year 12 SACE Exams
- Year 5 Camp, Mylor
- Poplars Camp, Robe
- Shearing School Excursion, 12pm, Yahl
- Year 4 Swimming Lessons

Saturday 9 November

- Year 6 Canberra Camp
- Working Bee, 8:00am

Sunday 10 November

- Year 6 Canberra Camp



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.



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YEAR 12 BREAKFAST



YEAR 12 FINAL ASSEMBLY



YEAR 12 FAREWELL - GUARD OF HONOUR



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JUNIOR SCHOOL HOTSHOTS TENNIS

Our Years 3, 4, 5, and 6 students recently enjoyed a fantastic day of tennis at the Hot Shots Tennis event held at Olympic Park! Our students eagerly took to the courts, joining schools from across the region in a spirited day of friendly competition and skill-building.

The Hot Shots Tennis program, known for its emphasis on fun, fitness, and foundational tennis skills, provided our students with the perfect opportunity to showcase their talents and build teamwork skills. Each game was met with enthusiasm and positive sportsmanship, with students cheering each other on.

It was inspiring to see the determination of our young tennis players, some of whom had the chance to try tennis for the first time. They embraced every serve, rally, and point with energy, and each student left with a sense of accomplishment.

Tina Opperman | R-6 Sports Coordinator



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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 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

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Positions Vacant

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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

Permanent Teaching Roles

We are seeking suitably qualified staff for **permanent teaching positions** in the following teaching areas, or a combination of these areas, to commence in January 2025.



PERMANENT POSITIONS

- **YEARS 7-9 GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES** (HASS, ENGLISH & RELIGIOUS EDUCATION) **TEACHER**
- **YEARS 7-9 FUTURE THINKING** (MATHEMATICS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY) **TEACHER**
- **YEARS 7-12 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHER**
- **YEARS 7-12 MUSIC TEACHER**
- **YEARS 10-12 DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES TEACHER**

The FTE for each position is up to 1.0FTE and will be negotiated with the successful applicants.

For more information, please refer to the Position Information Documents in relation to this role at:
www.tenison.catholic.edu.au/employment

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Monday

Little Golden Book Club
with special guests
'The Kimochis Characters'
Makers Space 2 - Downstairs
Lucy

Art Club
Makers Space 1 - Downstairs
Mrs Hopgood

Tuesday

Chess Club
Library
Mr Mustey

Star Wars Club
MacKillop JS - Upstairs MK603
Mr Lock

Wednesday

Puzzle Club
Reception Makers Space
Mrs Jeffrey

Pop Up Club
Library

Community Service Club
Meet at the tables near the
Front Office
Mrs Telford

Thursday

Construction & Colouring
MacKillop JS - Downstairs MK102
Mrs Little

'Luxurious Locks'
Makers Space 2
Mrs Snell

Prayer Garden Club
MacKillop JS - Downstairs MK303
Mrs Stephens

Friday

Craft Club
Reception Makers Space
Mrs Schebella

Christmas Art & Craft
Makers Space 2 - Downstairs
Mrs MCourt

LUNCH CLUBS



TIMOR-LESTE EXCHANGE TO TENISON WOODS COLLEGE



TENISON WOODS COLLEGE'S
PRODUCTION OF

Disney
FROZEN JR.

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



Together we can

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
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can-timor-fundraiser](https://events.humanitix.com/together-we-can-timor-fundraiser)

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

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