

# Hope lights the Way

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

WEDNESDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2025 WEEK 3, TERM 1

## YEARS 7-12 SWIMMING CARNIVAL

It was a fabulous day at Wulanda Recreation and Convention Centre for our Year 7-12 Swimming Carnival on Tuesday. A huge congratulations to Champagnat who won the shield for 2025 and for winning the Founder Spirit Award after consistently impressing the crowd throughout the Carnival. Congratulations to all age group champions and an even bigger congratulations to those who put themselves out of their comfort zones and jumped into the pool and had heaps of fun scoring founder points for their teams.





# From the Principal



## 7-12 Swimming Carnival Success

On Tuesday 11 February we continued the tradition of our annual Years 7-12 Swimming Carnival, at Wulanda Recreation and Convention Centre. The carnival has a long tradition within the College and is an integral part of the school calendar.

In amongst personal bests and wonderful team spirit, I was delighted to see the leadership of our Sports Captains, Mia Gysbers and John Gosse, supported by the enthusiasm of our Founder Leaders, who inspired their teams. Such leadership was also evident in our Year 11 and 12 students who established the tone for the carnival of 'having a go,' goodwill and mutual encouragement.

Thank you to all staff who prepared for and supported students during the carnival so that they could offer their talents with confidence and enjoyment. With the deliberate support of the Grounds Team, IT Team, Health and Physical Education Team, parent supporters and Kaitlin Egan our Years 7-12 Sports Coordinator, was able to create a wonderful carnival that offered students many memorable experiences.

## 2025 R-12 Parent Welcome Gathering – It's About Building Relationships

A significant way in which parents can support the learning of their children and adolescents is by attending the R-12 Parent Welcome Gathering on Thursday 13 February. Parents will have a chance to meet our teachers, learn about the teachers' hopes for the year, and hear about the classroom processes that will ensure learning is achieved in the best possible way. Parents also have an opportunity to meet informally the Leadership Team of the school and ensure that we commence the journey of serving your child's individual needs in a deliberate manner. Please see poster with all the details, featured in this Newsletter.

## Working Bee – Saturday 15 February

I remind families of our first Working Bee on Saturday 15 February.

The three significant focus areas will be:

1. Barking of our play areas around the MacKillop Junior School and Early Learning Centre.
2. Tidying the front indigenous garden.
3. Planting in the front swale area.



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 register [here](#).

Please bring any gardening equipment you think could be of use: gloves, shovel, rakes, wheelbarrow, even your ute.

## Beginning of Year Whole School Liturgy – Hope Lights the Way in 2025

We look forward to Thursday 20 February and our Beginning of Year Whole School Liturgy at Marist Park. The liturgy, which commences at 9:00am will assist us to reflect on the College theme for 2025, "Hope Lights the Way."

This year we are invited to reflect on the theme "Hope Lights the Way." Pope Francis has declared a Jubilee Year with the theme "Pilgrims of Hope." Jubilee Years are times of renewal, repentance, and celebration of God's mercy. We honour in a Jubilee Year the Church's call for a journey of faith, hope, and renewal for individuals and our community.

Don't forget your hat and sunscreen! Some chairs will be available.

## Caring for One Another – Road Safety In and Around Our School

Following on from the theme of helping one another, I remind families of the importance to monitor their speed and adjust it accordingly as they approach the school on Shepherdson Road and White Avenue in the interest of safety for all, but particularly our young. I also remind students to utilise the various designated crossing areas which are monitored by our staff. Crossing the roadways at other areas adds to the danger for our young but also increases the difficulty for drivers in the area. Speed within the school site is 15km per hour.



## Volunteers Enthusiastically Welcome

There are many opportunities for parents/carers to become involved in College activities and events and to connect with other members of the community. Below is a list of the many options available for parents/carers to participate in:

- Class Representative
- Faith, Health & Wellbeing Committee Member
- Uniform Committee Member
- Friends of Tenison Committee Member
- Buildings & Grounds Committee Member
- Board Member
- Parent Coffee Mornings
- Parent Sessions
- Breakfast Club
- Learning Assistance Program (LAP)
- Working Bees
- Canteen
- Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden (SAKG) Program
- Excursions and Camps
- Sporting Days

If you would like to volunteer in any capacity at Tenison Woods College, please read and complete the [Volunteer Registration Information Booklet](#) and hand it in to the Tenison Woods College Front Office. This booklet includes a Work Health and Safety induction which must be read and signed prior to commencing any volunteering at the College. Reporting Abuse and Neglect Training must also be completed [here](#). You will need to register and create an account before completing the training. Click on the first training option - RRHAN-EC 'Responding to Risks of Harm, Abuse and Neglect - Education and Care online training'. Please print the certificate on completion of training. A Catholic Police Check or an existing DCSI Working with Children Check is also required prior to volunteering and this can be arranged through the College free of charge.

For further information, please contact our Work Health and Safety Coordinator, [Trudi Dempsey](#) or Director of Wellbeing, [Tania Sigley](#).

## A Quick Survey:

Please complete this short 2 minute survey to help inform us about how we can support your involvement with the College:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Z28NVSK>

## Parent Community Connection opportunities

At Tenison Woods College, we value parent and community connection which helps to build a strong relationship between families and our College community, thus supporting the wellbeing of your children.

## Messenger Chats

The connection between year groups helps facilitate this community building. As such, the Faith, Health & Wellbeing Committee of the Tenison Woods College Board invites Reception to Year 7 families to join a Parent/Carer Year Level Messenger Chat. This platform aims to enhance parent connections and support children's development through collaborative communication.

To access the messenger chats please click on your child's year level link below:

Year Level	Chat Group
Reception	<a href="#">Reception Parent/Carer Messenger Chat</a>
Year 1	<a href="#">Year 1 Parent/Carer Messenger Chat</a>
Year 2	<a href="#">Year 2 Parent/Carer Messenger Chat</a>
Year 3	<a href="#">Year 3 Parent/Carer Messenger Chat</a>
Year 4	<a href="#">Year 4 Parent/Carer Messenger Chat</a>
Year 5	<a href="#">Year 5 Parent/Carer Messenger Chat</a>
Year 6	<a href="#">Year 6 Parent/Carer Messenger Chat</a>
Year 7	<a href="#">Year 7 Parent/Carer Messenger Chat</a>

## R-12 Athletics Carnival – 26 – 28 February, in Week 5

We look forward to the R-12 Athletics Carnival Week from 26 – 28 February (Week 5). With an intent to create an R-12 streamlined event that richly celebrates physical fitness across the school community we look forward to the following approach:

- **Wednesday**  
9:00am - 3:00pm Years 3-6
- **Thursday**  
9:00am - 12:00pm R-2  
12:00pm - 3:00pm Years 7-12
- **Friday**  
9:00am - 3:10pm Years 7-12

The South East Interschool Athletics Carnival will follow on Wednesday 19 March at Naracoorte high School.

I extend a very warm welcome to parents, carers and family members to attend these carnivals to witness the athletics endeavours and also meet other families who are part of the College community. Catering will be provided for all the carnivals, so come to the College for a long lunch break from work commitments, enjoy the athletics and have a bite to eat at the same time. Don't forget to bring a hat!

## Stronger Families: A Positive Parenting Conference

We are delighted that the Catholic Schools Parent Association of South Australia have chosen the South East of South Australia as a location for their next Parenting Conference, with two outstanding speakers in two locations; Mount Gambier and Millicent.

Come and listen to two nationally recognised practitioners and speakers:

### Madhavi Nawana Parker

Helping children & teens respond to friendship difficulties and bullying

### Nathan "Dubby" Want

Navigating inescapable moments

Check out [cpsa.catholic.edu.au/events](https://cpsa.catholic.edu.au/events) for more information.

There is a \$10 + Booking Fee per person, per location. Light refreshments are included. Tickets available on Humanitix:

### Tenison Woods College Mount Gambier

**Monday 17 March**

**6pm Sharp to 7.30pm**

[www.events.humanitix.com/stronger-families-mount-gambier](https://www.events.humanitix.com/stronger-families-mount-gambier)

### St Anthony's Catholic School Millicent

**6pm Sharp to 7.30pm**

**Tuesday 18 March**

[www.events.humanitix.com/stronger-families-millicent](https://www.events.humanitix.com/stronger-families-millicent)

As you can see from this newsletter, there are many opportunities to become involved at Tenison Woods College. I look forward to seeing you over the coming weeks.

God Bless,

**David Meziniec** | Principal

MacKillop, laid the foundation for the Catholic education system in our state and nation. In addition to Father Woods and Mary MacKillop, we also honour the work of Catherine McAuley and Marcellin Champagnat, whose religious orders, the Sisters of Mercy and the Marist Brothers, played a pivotal role in establishing schools across our region.

At Tenison Woods College, we proudly honour the legacy of these four founders: Venerable Catherine **McAuley**, Saint Marcellin **Champagnat**, Father Julian Tenison **Woods**, and Saint Mary of the Cross **MacKillop**, and draw inspiration from their faith and work.

## Whole School Liturgy

The Beginning of Year Whole School Liturgy will be held at Marist Park on Thursday 20 February at 9.00am. A meaningful tradition during this liturgy is the procession of Year 12 students escorting their Reception buddies to their seats, symbolically welcoming them into our faith-filled community. The liturgy will help unite us in our shared mission of living out this year's school theme, 'Hope Lights the Way.' We invite families and our wider parish community to attend. Please bring along a picnic chair and a hat.



## Term 1 Masses in the 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. We welcome family and community members to attend.

The upcoming roster is:

<b>Week 3</b>	<b>Thursday 13 February</b>	<b>Year 8</b>
<b>Week 4</b>	<b>Thursday 20 February</b>	<b>Whole School Liturgy (Marist Park)</b>
<b>Week 5</b>	<b>Thursday 27 February</b>	<b>Mass held at St Paul's due to Sports Carnivals</b>

## FROM THE PARISH

### Youth Ministry Mass and Youth Group

The next Youth Mass will be held on Saturday 15 February. The ministries at this Mass are led by young people from the College and the parish. We are hopeful that of some students may offer their musical talents this year. Please contact either me or Chris Lloyd if your child would like to be involved in offering their service as a reader, musician, altar server, data projectionist, or partake in the offertory procession.

The monthly Youth Mass is followed by a Youth Group dinner, activities and discussion. Students in Year 7 and above are encouraged to attend. Please register interest with Matthew Glynn [glynm@tenison.catholic.edu.au](mailto:glynm@tenison.catholic.edu.au) to ensure you receive information about upcoming Youth Group events.

## 2024/2025 Sacramental Program

A reminder that SESSION 1 for those currently involved in the Sacramental Program will be held this Saturday 15 February at 2pm in St Paul's Hall. Families are reminded that children will require an adult to attend with them for this session.

We keep these children and their families in our prayers as they prepare the celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation later this term.

**Sally Telford** | Religious Education Coordinator



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## CIM Team News

### Our College Founder Teams

For those new to our College community, you might be wondering about the significance of our House teams: Champagnat (green), McAuley (red), Woods (yellow), and MacKillop (blue).

Tenison Woods College stands on the shoulders of the early school communities in our region, including St. Theresa's, St. Aloysius College for Girls, St. Joseph's Convent of Our Lady of Mercy, St. Paul's Parish School, Mater Christi College, St. Paul's Primary School, St. Mary's Primary School East Gambier, Marist Agricultural College, and Tenison College. Each of these communities was inspired by faith and the hope for a better future, one where young people could thrive as capable learners and leaders in the world God desires.

The College is named in honour of Father Julian Tenison Woods, a pioneering priest, scientist, orator, and researcher whose vision, shared with Mary



# TERM 1 SPORT - IMPORTANT INFORMATION



## 2025 Junior School Sports Update

Welcome to the start of an exciting school year! We hope you all had a wonderful break and are ready for a fantastic Term 1. I'd love to welcome our 2025 Sports Leaders – Charlie Winterfield and Alyssa Milich. I am looking forward to working with these two outstanding students.

This term is shaping up to be a busy one for our Year 5 and 6 students, with many opportunities to participate in SAPSASA sports. Below are the key trial dates for students who are eager to represent our school in their chosen sports:

<b>Friday 7 March</b>	Swimming District Trials (Penola)
<b>Friday 14 March</b>	Golf District Trials (Penola)
<b>Friday 21 March</b>	Track & Field District Trials (MGHS)
<b>Monday 31 March</b>	Boys Australian Football District Trials (Mount Gambier)

State carnivals for Girls and Boys Softball will take place from Wednesday 26 March to Friday 28 March in Adelaide.

Swimming State Championships will follow on Monday 7 April in Adelaide.

Additionally, all Year 5 and 6 students will participate in swimming lessons as part of their curriculum this term. EdSmart notes will come out closer to the dates with further information.

To add to the excitement, our annual Sports Days will be held in Week 5, on Wednesday 26 February and Thursday 27 February. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to showcase their talents, cheer for their house teams, and build their sporting spirit.

We look forward to seeing many students embrace these opportunities and represent our school with pride. If you have any questions about the trials or other sporting events, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

We look forward to a term full of fun, teamwork, and success in sport!

**Tina Opperman** | R 6 Sports Coordinator

## Years 7-12 Sport for Term 1

In line with the vision statement of the school, Tenison Woods College aims to foster the physical talents of students to enable them to reach their full potential which contributes to students' opportunities to develop character, values, and lifelong skills.

This year we welcome Ava Collins as our Sports Trainee, alongside Aleisha Hunter in Sports Administration. We will all be working closely together to ensure you are well informed of upcoming events throughout the year to give students multiple opportunities to represent the College.

### **This term students will have the opportunity to participate in:**

- Interschool Swimming - Friday 14 February (Week 3) held at Wulanda Recreation Centre
- Catholic Co-Ed Swimming Carnival – Date and location TBC
- Tenison Woods College Athletics Carnivals:
  - Years 3-6 Sports Day, Wednesday 26 Feb 9am-3pm.
  - Years R-2 Sports Day, Thursday 27 February 9am-12pm.
  - Years 7-12 Sports Day/s, held at Marist Park.
- Day 1: 12pm-3:20pm Thursday 27 February
- Day 2: 9am-3:20pm Friday 28 February
- Interschool Athletics - Wednesday 19 March (Week 8) held at Naracoorte High School
- Adelaide Athletics – Tuesday 25 March held at Adelaide

### **Knockout & Zone Events:**

- Year 9 - 10 Boys Knockout T20 Cricket (Statewide) – Wednesday 19 Feb, Yahl Cricket Oval
- Year 11 - 12 Boys Knockout 40 Over Cricket – Thursday 13 February (Week 3), Bordertown
- Year 11 - 12 Boys Knockout T20 Cricket – Friday 14 March (Week 7), Millicent
- Year 7 - 11 South East Zone Golf - Tuesday 1 April (Week 10) (venue to be confirmed)
- Year 11 - 12 Knockout Boys & Girls Tennis, Thursday 13 March (Week 7), Olympic Park

For all knockout sporting events this year, students will be able to nominate for events via Microsoft forms. They will be emailed by Ava at least two weeks before the competition and this information will be regularly included in the newsletter and school notices.

Trials will be held for these knockout sporting events, if there are more students than the team requires who have nominated. The trials and selection process at Tenison Woods College is a comprehensive process, often restricted by time and attendance of players. Tenison Woods College aims to deliver a fair and equitable selection process using the Tenison Woods College trials criteria.

If you would like to assist with any of the above carnivals or have any questions regarding Years 7-12 Sport in 2025 please email [sport@tenison.catholic.edu.au](mailto:sport@tenison.catholic.edu.au)

**Kaitlin Egan** | 7-12 Sports Coordinator





## SAPSASA Boys Softball

We congratulate and wish the following boys good luck on their selection in the LSE SAPSASA Softball team. The boys will participate in the state carnival in Adelaide from March 26 to 28 - Blake Humphries, Angus Robinson and Harry Leo. Well done.



## 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 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 **NOLATER THAN 8.30AM** for same day orders (no longer 9.00am);
- Please carefully check day / date of order when using the QKR! App, and the details of all orders before proceeding to checkout.
- Year 8 and 9 QKR! App specials are only available to be ordered by these year levels, not for a younger sibling.
- Reception to Year 6 are only allowed to purchase two items, only one of these can be lollies. There is no monetary limit only an item limit.



If you have any questions regarding the Qkr! App, please contact Jess Her-ring at [herj@tenison.catholic.edu.au](mailto:herj@tenison.catholic.edu.au).

# Upcoming Key Dates

## Week 3

### Thursday 13 February

- SACE Merit Ceremony, Adelaide
- R-12 Welcome and Community Gathering Evening | 4:00pm - see flyer in this Newsletter

### Friday 14 February

- Years 7-12 Interschool Swimming Carnival, Wulanda Recreation & Convention Centre
- Library Lovers Day

### Saturday 15 February

- Tenison Woods College Working Bee 8:00am - 10:00am
- Mass and Staff Commissioning 6:00pm

### Sunday 16 February

- Mass and Staff Commissioning 11:00am

## Week 4

### Monday 17 February

- Year 5C (TOMBF) & 5D (KM/MBF) Swimming Lessons 10:00-11:30am, Wulanda Recreation Centre
- Year 5A (LV/MBF) and 5B (KVD/MBF) Swimming Lessons 11:30am-1:00pm, Wulanda Recreation Centre

### Tuesday 18 February

- Year 5C (TOMBF) & 5D (KM/MBF) Swimming Lessons 10:00-11:30am, Wulanda Recreation Centre
- Year 5A (LV/MBF) and 5B (KVD/MBF) Swimming Lessons 11:30am-1:00pm, Wulanda Recreation Centre
- SSSA Cycling Championships, Adelaide
- Year 9/10 Boys T20 Cricket, | Yahl Cricket Club

### Wednesday 19 February

- Year 5C (TOMBF) & 5D (KM/MBF) Swimming Lessons 10:00-11:30am, Wulanda Recreation Centre
- Year 5A (LV/MBF) and 5B (KVD/MBF) Swimming Lessons 11:30am-1:00pm, Wulanda Recreation Centre
- Year 9/10 Boys T20 Cricket | Yahl Cricket Club

### Thursday 20 February

- Beginning Year Liturgy, 9:00am - Marist Park
- Year 5C (TOMBF) & 5D (KM/MBF) Swimming Lessons 10:00-11:30am, Wulanda Recreation Centre
- Year 5A (LV/MBF) and 5B (KVD/MBF) Swimming Lessons 11:30am-1:00pm, Wulanda Recreation Centre
- Open Boys 40 Over Cricket | Bordertown

### Friday 21 February

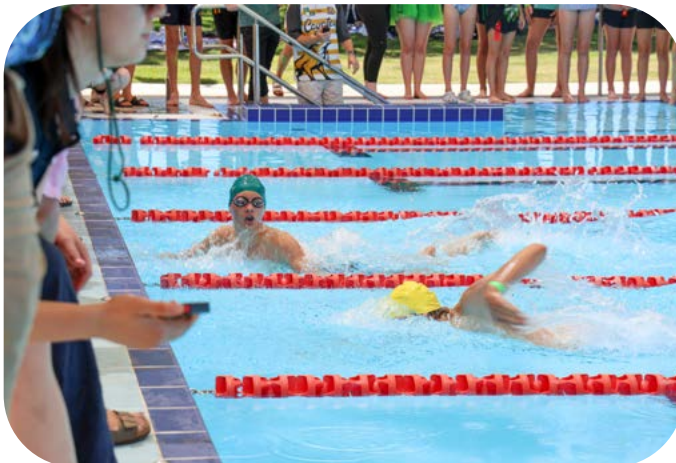
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- Year 5A (LV/MBF) and 5B (KVD/MBF) Swimming Lessons 11:30am-1:00pm, Wulanda Recreation Centre
- Year 4-6 Assembly, 2:05pm - MacKillop Junior School
- Year R-1 Assembly, 2:45pm - MacKillop Junior School



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



# YEAR 7-12 SWIMMING CARNIVAL





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**U/13 Champions - Davyd Davydiuk and Stella Jones**



**U/14 Champions - Leah Wilson and Miles Kroon (absent)**



**U/15 Champions - Mawson Kidman, Jessica Oxlade and Esha Brooksby**



**U/16 Champions - Louise Stanley, Bea Trotter (absent) and Lachlan Moss**



**Open Champions - Mikayla Pearson, Charles Moore and Nevae Brooksby**



**Mawson Kidman - Junior Champion and Fastest Male**



**Nevae Brooksby - Fastest Female**



**Charles Moore - Senior Champion**

# 7-12 SWIMMING CARNIVAL RECORDS 2025



<b>Male 13 Yr</b>	<b>Davyd Davydiuk</b> Mawson Kidman (2023)	<b>34.44</b> 37.14	<b>50m Freestyle</b>
<b>Female 13 Yr</b>	<b>Stella Jones</b> Jessica Oxlade (2023)	<b>47.66</b> 55.97	<b>50m Breaststroke</b>
<b>Male 13 Yr</b>	<b>Davyd Davydiuk</b> Vincent Moore (2023)	<b>48.09</b> 52.56	<b>50m Breaststroke</b>
<b>Female 13 Yr</b>	<b>Stella Jones</b> Jessica Oxlade (2023)	<b>44.47</b> 46.25	<b>50m Backstroke</b>



**Tomorrow Night**

TENISON WOODS COLLEGE

## 2025 R-12 WELCOME AND COMMUNITY GATHERING EVENING

THURSDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2025

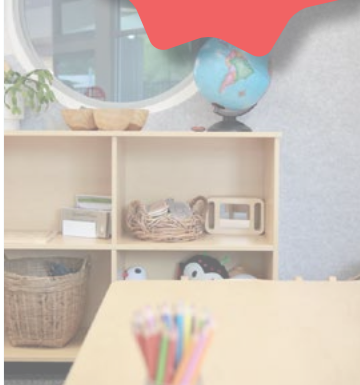
### JUNIOR SCHOOL FAMILIES

**4:00pm to 5:30pm:**  
Reception - Year 6 BBQ  
Junior School Playground

**4:30pm to 5:30pm:**  
Reception to Year 6  
open classrooms

**POP  
SHOP  
OPEN**

3:30pm - 4:30pm



### MIDDLE SCHOOL Families

**4:00pm to 5:45pm:**  
Year 7-9 BBQ  
at Gilap Wangá

**4:30pm to 5:30pm:**  
Year 7, 8 and 9  
open classrooms in your  
child's home room

### POPIARS FAMILIES

**BBQ 3:30pm- 4:30pm**

**Open Classrooms 3:30pm - 4:30pm**



### SENIOR SCHOOL FAMILIES

**5:30pm to 6:30pm**

Please join us in the Pam  
Ronan Centre Common Room  
to mingle and chat with your  
child's teachers and other key  
staff that your child will be  
supported by in the Senior  
School.

Enjoy nibbles as we welcome  
you and your child to 2025.



# Hope lights the Way

Please indicate your attendance via EdSmart for catering purposes

## Port Fairy Jazz Festival Success



### Corner Pocket Big Band Plays at Port Fairy Jazz Festival

The Port Fairy Jazz Festival was held last weekend, and it was fantastic to have the Corner Pocket Big Band represent Mount Gambier in the festival. Corner Pocket are a high-calibre band comprised of many of our region's elite musicians. We are delighted that the members include many of our College community including teacher Jack Heaven (alto saxophone), trumpet teacher Isaac Bruggeman (trumpet), ex-students Laura Small (double bass), Ethan Hopgood (baritone saxophone), Ryan Creedy (drumkit) and current students Gabriel Strachan (piano) and Bryan van Zyl (guitar). Performing two shows Corner Pocket showed excellence musicianship to very appreciative audiences.

*Pictured above are the rhythm section (Laura, Gabriel, Bryan and Ryan).*

**If you would like to see the band perform, they are performing next on 2 March at 'Jazz in the Vines' at Raidis Estate in the Coonawarra. Tickets are available through Sticky Tickets here: [Jazz In The Vines](#)**



### Calling All Families! Donations Wanted

As part of our ongoing sustainability and environmental awareness activities, our students will be designing and creating bug hotels, pest deterrents, and worm farms using recyclable materials. To support this hands-on learning experience, we kindly ask for donations of the following clean and safe materials:

- Plastic bottles (all sizes)
- Tin cans (with smooth edges)
- Polystyrene boxes
- Cardboard tubes
- Wooden offcuts or small planks
- Mesh, wire, or small netting
- Natural materials like dried leaves, twigs, bark, or pinecones

These materials will allow students to engage in creative problem-solving while learning about ecosystems and sustainability. If you have any suitable items at home, please send them in with your child over the next week.

Thank you for your support in helping our students take an active role in environmental conservation!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

**Tom Inglis** | SAKG Garden Tutor



### Small Jazz Combo Success

Last Saturday, Year Ten students Gabriel Strachan (piano), Ella Williams (voice), Oliver Stevens (drumkit) and Bryan Van Zyl (guitar) attended the Port Fairy Jazz Festival as the 'Tenison Woods College Small Jazz Combo', a newly formed student lead ensemble. They delivered two fantastic sets of jazz classics and standards at the Port Fairy RSL and Saint John's Anglican Church. The four were delighted to also have year 8 student Scarlett Strachan join them on the trumpet for their finale piece.

**Ella Williams and Gabriel Strachan** | Combo Member



### Class of 1991 School Reunion

We're thrilled to announce that Class of 1991 School Reunion will be held on March 15, and is just around the corner! We are reaching out to anyone who attended Tenison College from Year 8 in 1987 to Year 12 in 1991 to mark your calendars for March 15 – it's a night you won't want to miss. Whether you've kept in touch over the years or lost contact with old friends, this reunion is the perfect opportunity to reconnect, reminisce, and celebrate the lasting friendships and memories formed during your school days.

#### REUNION DINNER

- Time: 6:30pm
- Location: Little Ripa Brewery - 107 Ruwoldt Rd, Yahl SA 5291

#### SCHOOL TOUR

- Time: 1:00pm
- Location: Tenison Woods College

**Reconnect with Old Friends** This reunion isn't just about a trip down memory lane—it's a chance to make new memories with the friends who shared your high school journey. It's been years since we've all gathered together, and we hope to see as many familiar faces as possible. We look forward to seeing you there. Please RSVP by February 20 to either Trudie [trudieholland@gmail.com](mailto:trudieholland@gmail.com) or Mandy [mandy.e.finlay@gmail.com](mailto:mandy.e.finlay@gmail.com)



# Scholastic Book Club - Orders Close 17 February

Last week your child would have received Issue 1 of the Scholastic book club catalogue. All 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://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 Issue1 need to be in by Monday 17 February. If you purchase books as a gift, please let your teacher know so this can be passed on. To view the catalogue, please click [here](#).

Jess Lucas | Library Assistant

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**SCHOLASTIC**

# Book Club

*We Reward Regular Readers—Every Issue.*

**ORDERS DUE BACK BY:**



**001 NEW!** **Escaping Peril**  
Peril must choose between loyalty to Clay or a new life.  
224 pp. AGES 10+ \$19.99

**\$11 SAVE 45%**



**Graphic Novel!**  
**002 NEW!** **Pizza and Taco**  
Too Cool for School  
Pizza and Taco want to be super-cool like the new kid!  
72 pp. AGES 6+ \$20.99

**\$10 HALF PRICE!**

**GET UP TO 3 FREE BOOKS WHEN YOU ORDER ON THIS ISSUE**

See back page for more details.  
Conditions apply. Redeemable once per issue, only on LOOP orders.



**003 NEW!** **Dragon Girls**  
Zora the Snow Dragon  
Can the girls beat the Chaos Queen once and for all?  
144 pp. AGES 7+ \$23.99

**\$10 SAVE 58%**



**Graphic Novel!**  
**004 NEW!** **Dog Man Big Jim Begins**  
Discover the origin story of Dog Man and friends, as they try to stop the Space Cuties.  
240-pp hardcover. AGES 7+ \$21.99

**\$11 HALF PRICE!**



**Full Colour Pages**  
**007 NEW!** **Ninja Girl**  
Can Niki save the town with her new found ninja skills?  
208 pp. AGES 7+ \$17.99

**\$10 SAVE 44%**



**005 NEW!** **Top Secret Spy Mission Kit**  
This exclusive kit contains everything you'll need for your secret mission.  
AGES 6+ \$29.99

**\$25.00**



**006 NEW!** **Holey Moley Guac-A-Moley!**  
The story of a mole with a house chock-a-block full of guac... and one helpful friend, Quok.  
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# TRAFFIC FLOW AROUND THE COLLEGE

As we welcome everyone back to Term 1, we bring to your attention parking and traffic flow reminders. These changes have occurred to spread the flow of traffic around the school and maximise the ability for buses to outlying regions to leave to school in the most effective way possible.

Clear signage is in place in all areas and must be followed at all times to ensure the safety of children and efficiency of traffic.

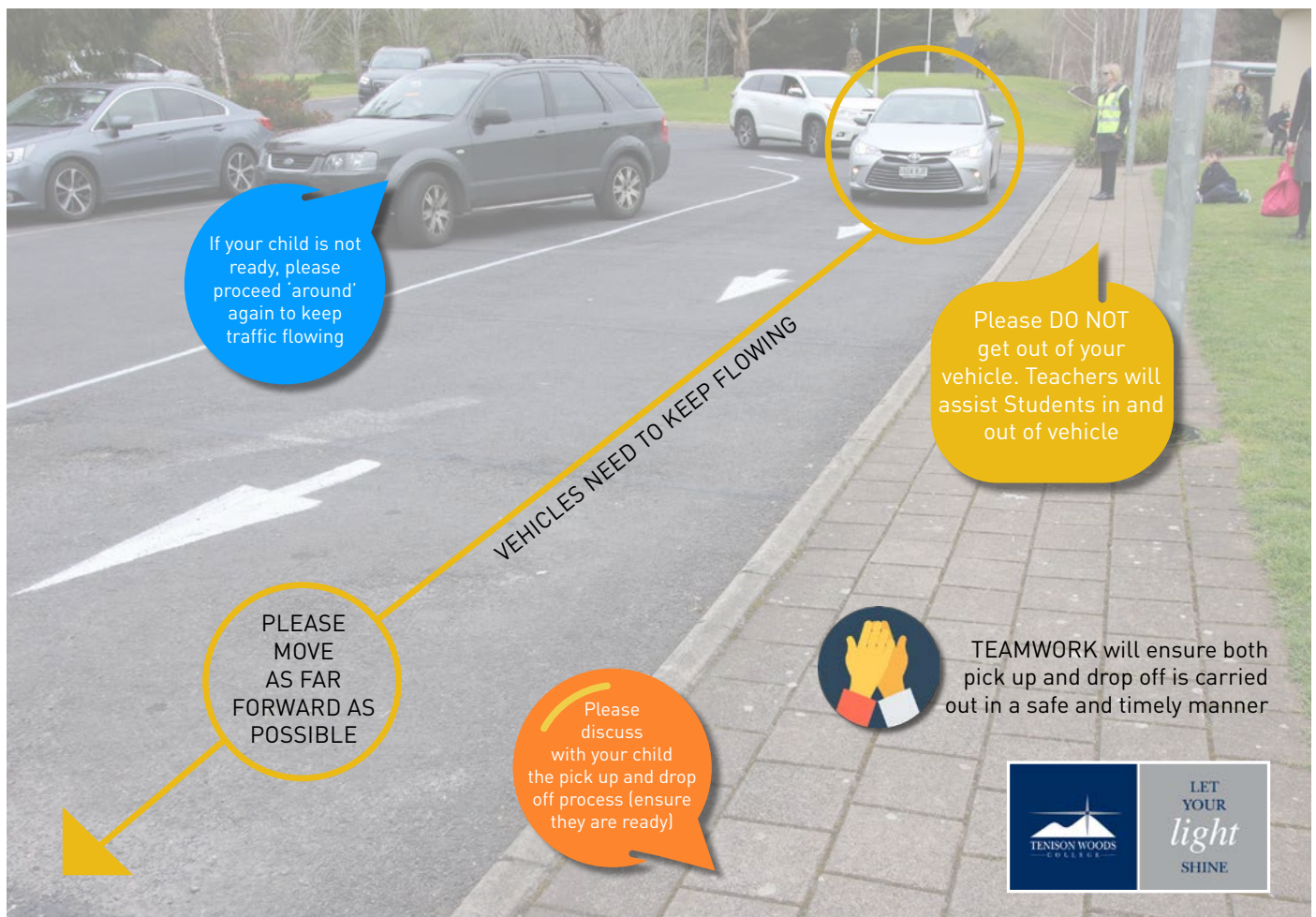
- Parking in Marist Park grassed area is open. The entrance to this area is from Shepherdson Road. All parents and students using this area must use the monitored crossing adjacent to the Front Office to cross the driveway.
- The parking area behind Gilap Wanga learning community can now be accessed via White Avenue entrance with a left turn now allowed from the ring road.
- The road behind Gilap Wanga learning community is now 2-way – please drive slowly as the road is narrow in parts.

**Please also be reminded of the following rules that are already in place:**

- The driveway from Shepherdson Road is two way and NO overtaking is permitted
- The MAXIMUM speed limit on all roads within the College is 15kmph
- Both Kiss and Drop areas (Shepherdson Rd and White Avenue) are continuous flow areas and are not to be used for parking and waiting. If your child is not there when you arrive there please continue to a park or do another loop until they are ready.
- All children crossing internal and external roads must do so at the supervised crossings where they are available. Please have this conversation with your child and do not call them across a road to a parked car.

As we are enjoying fantastic summer weather, we highly recommend parking along Shepherdson Road and encouraging students to arrive and depart school grounds utilising the sealed pathways and supervised school crossing. The Rail Lands sealed walking path also provides numerous entry and exit points for students to walk or ride to school and utilise the Shepherdson Road school crossing which is supervised in the morning and afternoon.

Let's work together  
to keep everyone safe!





# ANTON GABUTINA - ZOOM DANCE SESSION

Last week, Samara Hough's Year 9 dance class participated in a hip hop zoom session with local dancer Anton Gabutina. Anton has a rich background in Hip Hop, having attended Brent Street full-time, participated in numerous dance battles across Australia, and recently accepted a dance contract on the cruise ship Ovation of the Seas. We thank Anton for teaching the class a new hip hop routine which they will use in the annual Dance Showcase 'ICONS' that will occur in July.





# POPLARS JUNIOR CLASS ENJOY LIBRARY TIME

We are showing love for our library this week with our Junior Poplars students enjoying the quiet atmosphere.

One of the highlights of the week is reading with dedicated support staff, borrowing books and exploring the variety of amazing books on offer.





# STUDENT LEADERSHIP PLANNING DAY

The 2025 Junior and Middle School Student Leaders gathered for their planning day last Friday, beginning with a reflective liturgy that grounded them in their role as student leaders and Pope Francis' Jubilee message of hope.

Throughout the session, they explored the Catholic call to servant leadership through this year's theme, *'Hope Lights the Way'*, while also gaining clarity on their roles, responsibilities, and term goals.

Students connected with their supporting staff member and strengthened relationships across the formal student leadership structure, linking the Years 6, 9, and 12 Student Leaders.

**Tania Sigley** | Director of Wellbeing







# R-6 SPORTS DAYS 2025

3-6 SPORTS DAY - WEDNESDAY 26 FEB

R-2 SPORTS DAY - THURSDAY 27 FEB

Marist Park

## Menu

### BBQ:

- \*Sausages \$3
- \*Bacon and Egg Rolls \$6
- \*Steak Sandwiches \$10

### Kiosk:

- Fruit box / play water / water
- Fresh fruit salad \$3
- Smartie Cookies \$3
- Jellies house colours \$3
- Muffins \$3
- Slices / Cake \$4
- Snack packs (hummus/crackers/veges) \$6
- Snack chip packets \$2
- Lollies \$3

### 3-6 Sports Day Only

- Nachos \$10
- Rolls / wraps / sandwiches \$7

## YEARS 3-6

	8YO	9YO	10YO	11YO	12YO
9:30	100m	Discus	Shot Put	200m	High Jump
10:00	Long Jump	100m	200m	Shot Put	Discus
10:30	Discus	Long Jump	100m	Long Jump	200m
RECESS					
11:30	200m	Shot Put	High Jump	100m	Long Jump
12:00	Shot Put	Vortex Throw/Novelty	Discus	High Jump	100m
12:30	Vortex Throw/Novelty	200m	Long Jump	Discus	Shot Put
LUNCH					
2:00	Optional 400m				
2:30	Year level relays				

## REC - YEAR 2

TIME	Reception	Reception	Year 1	Year 1	Year 2	Year 2
9:00am	Rob the Nest	Tug of War	Sack Race	Fancy dress relay	Three-legged Race	Water Relay
9:25am	Three-legged Race	Water Relay	Rob the Nest	Tug of War	Sack Race	Fancy dress relay
9:50am	Sack Race	Fancy dress relay	Three-legged Race	Water Relay	Rob the Nest	Tug of War

	RECEPTION	YEAR 1	YEAR 2
10:30am	60m Sprint	Long Jump	Shot Put
10:55am	Long Jump	Vortex Throw	60m sprint
11:20am	Vortex Throw	60m Sprint	Long Jump



# EMERGE 25

Emerge 25 is a combined survey of artworks by Year 12 graduates from across Mount Gambier. Bringing all schools together in one space, Emerge 25 gives us a snapshot view of the artistic scope and vision embodied in the next wave of our community's young people.

Stage 2 students from Mount Gambier High School, Tenison Woods College and Grant High School will present painting, photography, sculpture and other media, including highlight works from their SACE 2024 exhibition. The Riddoch is proud to provide students with a platform to share their creative flair to a greater audience, and for visitors and art lovers to experience the local region's emerging talent.

Image: Phoenix Lomas, *Echoes of Dustsceawung*, 2024, acrylic on canvas.

## EMERGE25



### EXHIBITION OPENING

**SATURDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2025, 11:00AM**

**THE RIDDOCH ARTS & CULTURAL CENTRE**

1 BAY ROAD, MOUNT GAMBIER

**RSVP BY 13 FEBRUARY**

[riddoch@mountgambier.sa.gov.au](mailto:riddoch@mountgambier.sa.gov.au) or 08 8721 2563

Image: Phoenix Lomas, *Echoes of Dustsceawung* (detail), 2024, acrylic on canvas.  
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