

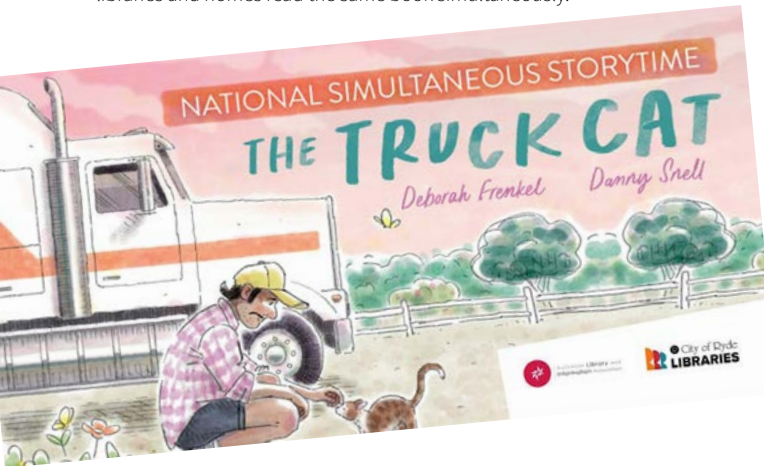
# Hope lights the way

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

WEDNESDAY 21 MAY 2025 , WEEK 4, TERM 2

## AUSTRALIA READS TOGETHER!

Today, our students proudly participated in the 25th annual National Simultaneous Storytime, joining over a million children across Australia and beyond in a collective reading experience. This year's featured book was 'The Truck Cat', written by Deborah Frenkel and illustrated by Danny Snell. This heartwarming story follows Tinka, a curious cat, and Yacoub, a migrant truck driver, as they navigate themes of separation, reunion, and the meaning of home. Organised by the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA), National Simultaneous Storytime aims to promote the value of reading and literacy by having children across the nation in schools, libraries and homes read the same book simultaneously.



# From the Principal



## Laudato Si' Week - 10 years of inspiration and action

Laudato Si' Week Australia takes place from 17-24 May. The date is different to the global date due to Reconciliation Week in Australia running from 27 May - 3 June.

Ten years ago, Pope Francis wrote Laudato Si', setting out a bold vision for our common home. While we celebrate 10 years of prayer and action together, we look ahead to an even brighter future. The next chapter of Laudato Si' begins with us.

Laudato Si' is a pivotal encyclical by Pope Francis calling Catholic's around the world to care for our common home, our planet. This encyclical provided the foundation for our College's focus on ecology and sustainability and has led to many whole school initiatives and curriculum integration over the past ten years.

This week our Sustainability team will be running activities with a Project Recology lid sorting activity each lunchtime and reminiscent videos showcasing our 10 year journey of Laudato Si' in the notices and social media.

Laudato Si' has also reminded us to: "Let us sing as we go. May our struggles and our concern for this planet never take away the joy of our hope." (Laudato Si' 244, 2015).

View a video featuring Teone Brauer and Chris Raymond, Sustainability Coordinators, outlining all of the wonderful ways we are committed to ecological sustainability in our College.



## National Reconciliation Week – Bridging Now to Next

Next week we will acknowledge National Reconciliation Week. The 2025 theme, Bridging Now to Next, reflects the ongoing connection between past, present and future. Bridging Now to Next calls on all Australians to step forward together, to look ahead and continue the push forward as past lessons guide us.

In the #NRW2025 theme artwork created by Kalkadoon woman, Bree Buttenshaw, native plants – which are known for regenerating after fire and thriving through adversity – symbolise our collective strength and the possibilities of renewal. This is a time for growth, reflection, and commitment to walking together.

Australia's history of reconciliation is not a linear one, we have made great strides and experienced disappointing setbacks. Twenty-five years ago, Corroboree 2000 brought together Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and non-Indigenous leaders in a historic call for reconciliation. We continue that work in 2025, inviting all Australians to join us in Bridging Now to Next – building a more united and respectful nation.

National Reconciliation Week, 27 May to 3 June, is a time for us all to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia. For the work of generations past, and the benefit of generations future, we are invited to create a more just, equitable and reconciled country for all.



## Wellbeing and Engagement Collection Survey – Weeks 3 and 4

As discussed in the past two newsletters students in our school will be invited to take part in a survey being conducted during Week 3 and 4 this term.

Further information on the Wellbeing and Engagement Collection can be found at [www.education.sa.gov.au](http://www.education.sa.gov.au) (search:wec) or can be collected from the school. For questions or concerns, or to view the questions, please email [Education.WECSA@sa.gov.au](mailto:Education.WECSA@sa.gov.au).

## Connected and supported - Messenger Chats

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.

## Purpose of the Messenger Chat

- Foster connections among families to support children.
- Create a welcoming environment for new and existing families.
- Enable parents to support each other in navigating parenthood.
- Align efforts toward children's development.
- Share responsibilities and ideas.
- Encourage involvement in the TWC and broader community.

## Connection Ideas

- Organising out-of-school gatherings (e.g., Valley Lake, Rail Lands).
- Sharing practical tips (e.g., Nude Food, Book Week costumes).
- Facilitating parent catch-ups.
- Coordinating support for school events.

## Messenger Chat Protocols

- Two Parent Representatives per year level serve as Messenger Administrators.
- Concerns should follow standard processes by contacting the child's teacher, Wellbeing Coordinator, or Head of School:
- Administrators may address concerns privately if raised in the chat.

## Membership

Participation in the Year Level Messenger Chat is voluntary for families and teachers and participants can opt in or out anytime.

To access the 2025 Parent/Carer Messenger chat links please click on your child's year level link below:

Year Level	Chat Group
Poplars	<a href="#">Poplars Parent/Carers Messenger Chat</a>
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>

## 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 after 30 June 2025 for a deduction to be made.

## EY-12 Staff Professional Development Days – 5 and 6 June

Early Years to Year 12 Staff are looking forward to the Staff Professional Development days on Thursday 5 and Friday 6 June. Following Geraldine Hawkes' presentation on Hospitality and Dialogue, staff will reflect on what it means for The Tenison Way to Catholic Identity and Mission. Furthermore, the ELCC will consider the Circle of Security and Play Based Learning, the Junior School will consolidate Numeracy Intervention strategies, while the Middle School and Senior School will devote time to Faculty Curriculum Review and Unit Writing. Across the whole staff community we will also consider Wellbeing and Behaviour Support at Tenison Woods College.

Following a full program of staff endeavour I trust students and parents will experience the benefits of the days through our service to students and families throughout the College. I remind families that these days are Student Free Days for the ELCC and the R-12 areas of the school.



### Charity Day and Whole School Mass

I alert families to the change of date for our Whole School Mass this term, which will take place on Thursday 12 June at 9:00am. The Timor Leste Charity Day will take place on Thursday 19 June. These dates are different to the initial dates identified on our College calendar and I ask families to note the change.

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

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

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.

### Enrolment of Students

I am very pleased to see that the College is experiencing significant demand in relation to enrolments. To assist with our medium and long-term planning I encourage parents to lodge an enrolment form with the school as soon as they have made a decision to enrol their child at the school. For some families this decision is made very early in the newborn's life and contacting the school at this time, no matter how early it may seem, will assist us to plan in the best possible way for your child's experience of education in our College community. Should you wish to discuss this further please contact our College Registrar, Tracey Davey (tel. 87255455, or [davet@tenison.catholic.edu.au](mailto:davet@tenison.catholic.edu.au)).

God Bless,

David Meziniec | Principal

## CIM Team News



### Stationery Drive for Timor Leste- Junior School Initiative

In support, of the immersion experience and in an effort to make a small difference with great love, the Junior School is running a Stationery Drive so that we can get stationery packs ready for children in Timor Leste. We will be making packs in small bags, so they are light and easy to take on the plane. Items must be small and brand new (no scissors or sharp objects). Thank you in anticipation of your support for this worthy cause.

### Laudato Si' Week

This week is Laudato Si' week. This year, the theme of Laudato Si' Week, "Raising Hope," calls us all to bring the light of Laudato Si' to all, for a brighter future together. This year marks 10 years of Laudato Si'.

The week invites us to come together as a community to contemplate and nurture hope for our "suffering planet" (LD 2). Laudate Deum is a reminder to embrace the message of Laudato Si' and make changes in our lives and culture to address environmental and climate challenges.

Tenison Woods College has a deep and long-term commitment to sustainability. From the learning that takes place in the classroom, to the opportunities and experiences provided to students, we understand the important role the entire community plays in a sustainable future. We believe that it is only through a connected community that sustainability can be successful.

Please view a [poster](#) with ideas on how your family can join the Laudato Si' movement.

*The planet is everyone's responsibility.*



### Mount Gambier Parish Rosary Group

Throughout May, we welcome the ROSARY MAKING GROUP from the Mount Gambier Parish who will gather in our MacKillop Junior School Makers Space each Wednesday from 10.00am to 12 noon. Students will be invited to come along and join the group during their visits.

### Sacrament of Confirmation

On Wednesday 28 May, the students enrolled in the 2024-2025 Sacramental Program will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation. Father Peter will be conferring the sacrament this year. This will take place at 7:00pm at St Paul's Church, followed by shared supper in the hall. We welcome families to attend and take part in this joyous celebration. There are 13 children preparing to receive their Sacraments. Please kindly remember the candidates and their sponsors as they enter the final preparations before receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. We especially keep in mind our Tenison Woods College students: Ashleigh Batty, Evie Cole, Sophie Dunne, Joli Gentile, Ruby Jaeschke, Henry Marlow, Harrison McDonnell, Harrison Ras, and Mac Stratford.

### Term 2 Masses in the College Chapel

Mass takes place every Thursday at 9:10am 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. Please see the upcoming Masses below

**Week 4:** Thursday, 22 May - 9:10am Year 6 Mass

**Week 4:** Thursday, 22 May - Year 2 Church Excursion and Liturgy from 11:30am at St Paul's.

**Week 5:** Thursday, 29 May - 9:10am Year 9 Mass

**Week 5:** Thursday, 29 May from 11:30am - Reception Church Excursion and Liturgy at St Paul's

### From the Parish

#### Family Mass and Children's Choir

The next Family Mass will be held this Sunday, 25 May, at 11am. Children from the College and St Paul's Parish help to lead the Mass. 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.

#### 140th Celebration of St Paul's

The celebration of the 140th anniversary of St Paul's Church is approaching. We will begin with the 11am Mass at St Paul's Church on Sunday 1 June, followed by lunch in the parish hall. Book your spot via TryBooking. Space is limited, so we encourage you to book soon. This is a family-friendly event, and everyone is welcome. Click [here](#) for tickets.



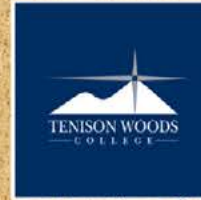
#### Australian Catholic Youth Festival

Our parish is hoping to send a delegation of young people from Year 9 to Year 12 to the 2025 Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF) in Melbourne. This three-day festival, running from Sunday 30 November to Tuesday 2 December, will bring together thousands of young Catholics from across Australia for an unforgettable experience of faith, community, and celebration. The festival is a great opportunity for the youth of the parish to connect with other young Catholics, and to share and deepen their faith and relationship with Christ. If you, or a young person you know, would like to be part of our delegation or would like more information, please contact [youth@mtgcatholic.org.au](mailto:youth@mtgcatholic.org.au).

Sally Telford | Religious Education Coordinator



Tenison Woods College  
Stage 1 and 2 Drama Class Presents



LET  
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SHINE

# the Real Inspector Hound

By Tom Stoppard

Directed by Samara Hough



Wednesday 4 June, 6:30pm  
Wehl Street Theatre, 7 Wehl Street South

Gold Coin Donation on Entry





## Upcoming Key Dates

### WEEK 4

#### Wednesday 21 May

- 2026 Japan Information Evening, 5:30pm-6:30pm, Lecture Theatre

#### Thursday 22 May

- Laudato Si' Week
- Stage 1 Outdoor Education Mountain Biking and Orienteering Expedition
- Year 7/8 Girls and Boys Knockout Basketball, St Frances de Sales
- World of Robotics, MacKillop Centre
- Year 9 Agriculture UDC Dairy Industry Excursion, UDC Penola
- Year 3 HASS Excursion, Library, RSL, Vansittart Park
- Poplars Swimming Lessons, Varying Times
- Year 1 Swimming Lessons, Varying Times
- Year 2 St Paul's Church Visit

#### Friday 23 May

- Laudato Si' Week
- Stage 1 Outdoor Education Mountain Biking and Orienteering Expedition
- World of Robotics, MacKillop Junior School
- Year 1 Swimming Lessons, Varying Times
- Reception to Year 1 Assembly, MacKillop Junior School
- Year 4-6 Assembly, MacKillop Junior School
- Year 6 Author Visit, Dr Helen Edwards

### WEEK 5

#### Monday 26 May

- World of Robotics, MacKillop Junior School
- SAPSASA Boys AFL Football Carnival
- National Sorry Day
- 2025 Italy Tour Meeting, 6:00pm, Lecture Theatre

#### Tuesday 27 May

- World of Robotics, MacKillop Junior School
- SAPSASA Boys AFL Football Carnival
- National Reconciliation Week

#### Wednesday 28 May

- World of Robotics, MacKillop Junior School
- SAPSASA Boys AFL Football Carnival
- National Reconciliation Week
- Interschool Cross Country, Naracoorte
- College Board Meeting, 7:00pm, Board Room

## The Athlete's Foot School Reward Program

We were thankful to receive a generous \$845 through The Athlete's Foot School Rewards Program, which donates \$5 for every pair of shoes purchased by families who nominate our school.

It was a pleasure to welcome back two of our old scholars, Monique Holmes and Ellie Xanthopoulos from The Athlete's Foot, who presented the cheque to our student leaders. Our student leaders will now have the opportunity to propose how the funds could be best utilised to make a positive impact on the school or wider community.

We encourage families to continue mentioning Tenison Woods College when shopping at The Athlete's Foot to ensure these valuable rewards keep supporting student initiatives.



## Celebrating Laudato Si' in The Pop Shop



As part of our Laudato Si' Week celebrations at Tenison Woods College, students in The Poplars have been actively embracing the spirit of sustainability and care for our common home.

At the heart of these efforts is the Pop Shop, a student-run initiative that showcases the creativity and environmental awareness of our school community. Students have been hard at work crafting unique, eco-friendly items made from recycled plastic—giving new life to materials that would otherwise go to waste. These handmade products are available for purchase both within the school and in the broader Mount Gambier community, spreading the message of environmental responsibility beyond our gates. In addition to plastic creations, students are also honing their skills in woodworking, producing beautiful and meaningful items such as wooden crosses, serving boards, and decorative bowls. Each piece reflects the care, thoughtfulness, and craftsmanship of the students, while also promoting sustainable practices.

The Pop Shop is more than just a marketplace — it's a testament to the values of stewardship, creativity, and action that define Tenison Woods College. We're proud of our students for leading the way in living out the message of Laudato Si' through hands-on, impactful projects. We invite members of the public and school community to visit the Pop Shop for thoughtful, sustainable gift ideas. The shop is open on; Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 2:00–3:00pm; and on Friday from 12:00–1:00pm.

Pop Shop products are also available for purchase at Green Door Decor on Commercial Street, helping share our students' work with the wider Mount Gambier community.

## Uniform Shop

### Opening Hours

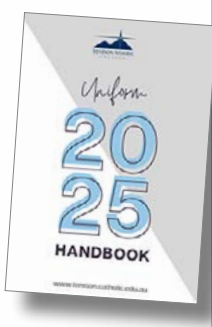
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Wednesday 8:00am – 12:00pm  
Thursday 12:30pm – 4:30pm

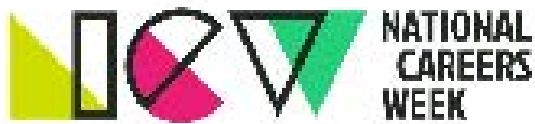
**CLOSED THURSDAY 5 JUNE - Student Free Day**

### Online Store

To access the online Uniform Shop please [click here](#).

Kylie Watson | Uniform Shop





In line with National Careers Week last week, the College kicked off a major term of career activities with a range of opportunities for senior students.

On Wednesday, students interested in a teaching career path were invited to the first of our lunch-time Career Chat Series. Students were able to hear about this career path from Fran Scanlon (ELCC Director), Fran Dickson (Head of Junior School), Nick Patzel (Head of Middle School) and Brody Virgo (Senior Maths Teacher and Coordinator).



On Thursday, Adelaide University presented to the Year 11 and 12 cohort in addition to meeting with Year 12 students one-on-one.



Our Performing Arts students were audience to Bronson Pfeiler, a previous St Martins Lutheran College student who, since graduation, has gone on to forge a career in musical theatre productions, such as Guys & Dolls, Back to the Future, Hamilton and Mama Mia. Students were able to hear directly from Bronson on the pathway he has taken, and his advice to those wishing to do the same.

On Friday, Year 10 students enjoyed a session with Adelaide University during their HIF lesson. This session encouraged students to explore career options and built on the work already undertaken in this subject.



A number of students also participated in TAFE SA 'Try a Trade' program this week.

The program is offered to Limestone Coast students in Year 10. The program is delivered onsite at the TAFE Mount Gambier campus and includes Construction, Plumbing, Bricklaying and Tiling. A fantastic opportunity for students to get a taste of the construction industry and get some hands-on experience. The program will be delivered again in Week 8. (Monday 16-Friday 20 June).





# YEAR 7-12 CROSS COUNTRY

Last week, all Year 7-12 students showed true determination as they took on the annual Tenison Woods College Cross Country event. Starting in Marist Park, students powered their way up Sugarloaf Hill, followed the winding trail, and finished strong back at the College. A huge congratulations to all who participated, and an extra shout-out to our age group winners - what an amazing effort on a challenging course!



13 Years Girls: 1st Maeva Ellis, 2nd Sophie Pearce, 3rd Hazel Hamilton



13 Years Boys: 1st Will Hosking, 2nd Fletcher McKinnon, 3rd Barney Logan



14 Years Girls: 1st Livvi Faulkner, 2nd Havi Beard, 3rd Alirah Bowman



14 Years Boys: 1st Hiram Webster-Lawson, 2nd Azariah Arendtsz, 3rd Tyson Sears



15 Years Girls: 1st Scarlett Zalme, 2nd Sienna Hughes, 3rd Olive Thorn



15 Years Boys: 1st Will Harrison, 2nd Jasper Coe, 3rd Dusty Bishop (Absent for image)



16 Years Girls: 1st Hayley Bartley, 2nd Ava Halloran, 3rd Sarah Keller



16 Years Boys: 1st Reid Hamilton, 2nd Harry Bell, 3rd Lawson Fennell



Open Girls: 1st Isla Biggins, 2nd Brooke Hammond, 3rd Sreya Sumesh



Open Boys: 1st Marcus Brand, 2nd Noah Duka, 3rd Desire Kinyamba



## ESO Appreciation Day

Last Friday as a College, we celebrated Education Support Officer Appreciation Day! Education Support Officers, your commitment to excellence and the faith-driven mission of our school enriches the lives of everyone in our community and you teach us deeply about hard work, loyalty, compassion, and unwavering support.




## Rosary Bead Making


During the month of May, the MacKillop Junior School has welcomed the Rosary Making Group from the Mount Gambier Parish every Wednesday. Here are some snaps of them creating!








# Lunch Clubs



Term 2

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Monday</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Dojo Islands</b> Mrs Robinson MacKillop Building - Year 3 classroom Years 2-6 only</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Pop Up</b> Library with Mrs Nicholson and Jess</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Netball</b> Mrs Jones/Year 9 Leaders - Years 5-6 Courts</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Tuesday</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Design &amp; Technology Club</b> Miss Lockwood MacKillop Makers Space 4 Year 4 - 6 only</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Zen Zone Club</b> Miss Gogel MacKillop Building - Year 6 classroom</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Wednesday</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Dance Club</b> Mrs Whitehead Room 405</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Luxurious Locks Club</b> Mrs Dickson MacKillop Downstairs Makers Space</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Kimochis Club</b> Chelsea Reception Makers Space</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Thursday</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Art &amp; Craft Club</b> Mrs McCourt MacKillop Downstairs Makers Space</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>'Build It' Club</b> Mrs Jeffrey Reception Piazza</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Performing Arts Club</b> Mrs Hopgood Room 404 - Year 6 only</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Friday</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Big Games Club</b> Ms Morgan MacKillop Building - Year 4 classroom</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Chess Club</b> Library with Mr Mustey</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Environmental Crusaders</b> Miss K MPR</p>	

## Agriculture News

The Agriculture Teachers Association of South Australia (ATASA) recently conducted their biannual professional training conference in Jamestown SA. Mrs Jenkin was able to attend, exploring a different region, while upskilling, developing broader knowledge, and gaining improved understanding of current industry practice. The collegial collaboration and relationship building in the agriculture teaching network has been invaluable for Tenison Woods College in the sharing of resources that can then be imparted to students in developing their learning. Examples of developing technology in agriculture were shown, providing many services to ensure not only profitable operation but also sustainable practices. The experience definitely highlighted how fortunate we are to live in this part of the world. Many in agriculture are experiencing very challenging times however, it is in these situations that systems are enhanced & refined to bring best practice.



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### Languages Spoken:

French and English

**Vadim**

**Age:** 16 **Gender:** Male

**Home Country:** French

**Program Duration:** May 12 weeks 2025

### Interests/Activites:

Combat Sports	Hiking
Reading	listening to music
Video Games	
sisters 8 and 11	Brothers 5 and 15

Vadim says he would like to thank his future host family from the bottom of his heart for this opportunity and he can't wait to meet you.

## Host Families Urgently Needed

Southern Cross Cultural Exchange, SA is seeking assistance with Host Families urgently needed for seven French boys. The boys will arrive on 31 May for 12 weeks. The students will attend a Private School near where the host families live. Hosting can bring so much fun to your home. Learning about another culture and sharing the exchange student's culture. The amazing memories you make together, the feeling that you have gained another son or daughter for life. For more information, please message, call or email Jenny Hanson, Phone 0409 890 184, Email: [jenny.h@scce.com.au](mailto:jenny.h@scce.com.au)



# ANGUS CLARKE MAKES AFL DEBUT

We are so proud to share that 2024 graduate Angus Clarke will be making his AFL debut for the Essendon Football Club this Friday night at the MCG as part of the Dreamtime Round. Here is a flashback picture from Footy Colours Day in 2015 when he was in Year 3. Go get them Angus!



## Graduate News



Congratulations to 2020 Dux, Chloe Mackenzie who has just completed her Bachelor of Science (Earth and Environmental Systems). Chloe was a scholarship recipient with One Forty One, and has already spent time learning about planning, resources, and silviculture, and has just finished a busy summer on the fire team. All the best Chloe!

## SAPSASA Cross Country Results

Congratulations to all of the runners who attended SAPSASA Cross Country in Naracoorte the other week. Here are their results!

### 8 Year Olds

8th Mila Buntsma  
16th Petra Brogan  
51st Georgia Mott

50th Liam Cox  
64th Sam Sullivan

### 9 Year Olds

39th Dakota Collins-Van Schaik  
41st Holly Howard  
62nd Ellie Bartley  
63rd Mya Perryman  
72nd Grace Daly

10th Judd Buntsma  
14th Patrick Ransom  
16th Graceson Olivier  
19th Jett McGrath  
32nd Judd McPherson  
46th Paddy Forster  
57th Tyler Fox

### 10 Year Olds

6th Clara Brogan  
17th Ashleigh Batty  
19th Ruby Jaeschke  
24th Linke Van de Westhuizen  
33rd Lacey Button  
39th Evie Cole

9th Matthew Allen  
10th Cruz Bilney  
22nd Dane Carrison  
34th Jonas Chieba  
56th Rory Watson  
57th James Van der Hurk  
71st Albert Van der Westhuizen  
77th Harri Ras

### 11 Year Olds

19th Scarlett Lang  
21st Bree Patzel  
38th Rosie Forster  
40th Zahli Golebiowski

13th Joseph Dikete  
14th Oliver Liddle  
21st Jimmy Crozier  
22nd Isaac Lindner  
39th Toby Telford  
40th Nay Aung

### 12 Year Olds

5th Sienna Buntsma  
11th Lexi Fennell  
12th Alyssa Milich  
23rd Stella Perry  
24th Shaylei Rhys-Davies

7th Mitchell Bowering  
20th Ned Kamphuis  
22nd Harry Sneath  
28th Jeremy Smith

## Year 12 Health and Wellbeing

Our Year 12 Health and Wellbeing students recently took part in an aging simulation experience to better understand the physical and emotional challenges faced by older adults. Through hands-on activities that mimicked reduced mobility, vision, and dexterity, students gained valuable insights into the realities of aging — sparking empathy, awareness, and some great conversations







# Charity Ball

**City Hall, Main Corner  
Friday 30 May | 7pm**

We invite all Tenison Woods College Year 11 & 12 students to the 2025 Charity Ball, raising funds for the 2025 Timor-Leste Immersion.

**\$50 per ticket**

*Tickets on sale until Friday 23 May via QKR! App.*



# EARLY LEARNING CENTRE

## CONNECTION TO COUNTRY WALKS

This week, the Early Learning & Community Centre is warmly welcoming families to join us on Connection to Country walks—an opportunity to deepen our understanding and appreciation of Boandik land and explore what this means within our Centre community. On Wednesday, they had the honour of being joined by Nathan Watson, a proud Boandik man from Deadly Didge. Nathan offered a heartfelt Welcome to Country, shared his original song in Bunganditj language, and played the didgeridoo, accompanied by the children with clapping sticks. It was a truly powerful and moving experience. They are deeply grateful for the knowledge and cultural richness Nathan shared — bringing to life the stories, history, and spirit of the land on which we live, learn, and play.





# JAPAN

## 2026

### INFORMATION EVENING

TONIGHT, 5:30PM  
LECTURE THEATRE  
PAM RONAN CENTRE  
TENISON WOODS COLLEGE



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YOUR  
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# NATIONAL WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY

Last week, students, teachers and parents from Tenison Woods College community joined many others across the country in walking safely to school. This important initiative encourages healthy habits, road safety awareness, and care for our environment. It was fantastic to see so many of our young people taking steps toward a healthier future! Well done to everyone who participated! Let's keep walking, learning, and looking out for each other.





# TITANS USA DINNER AUCTION

Our 2025 Titans USA Basketball Tour Auction Evening was a massive success! Over 400 guests, 135 amazing auction items, live music from our talented music students and staff, and a two-course meal prepared by our incredible Sugarloaf Cafe and Academy of Hospitality students. This event not only raises funds to support our student-athletes heading to the USA later this year, but also empowers students through hands-on planning, prep, and service. A huge thank you to everyone who donated, attended, and cheered us on. We couldn't have done it without you!





# The Term 2 Career Chat Series

Open to students in  
Year 10, 11 and 12

Learn about the available pathways, what the job entails, advice, and what to be aware of. This is an invaluable opportunity for students to listen to local professionals talk about their own career journeys. Students can bring their lunch when joining sessions.

Date	Group/Attendees	Notes
27 May 1.30pm - 2.00pm	Deakin University A presentation on university courses available, pathways, campus life, accommodation and scholarships	PRC: Representatives from Deakin University will be presenting.
28 May 1.30pm - 2.00pm	Trades Auto-mechanic GTE Electrical Refrigeration	PRC3: For those interested in a trade pathway, hear from a number of local trade businesses and GTE (the largest regional employer of apprentices) on what they expect, and how to apply.
4 June 1.30pm - 2.00pm	Allied Health Speech Pathology Flinders University Occupational Therapy Physiotherapy	PRC3: Allied Health is wide and varied. This session will provide an overview of speech pathology, occupational therapy and physiotherapy, together with options to study locally with Flinders University.
11 June 1.30pm - 2.00pm	Business Real Estate Legal Accountancy Human Resources	PRC3: The world of business can take a myriad of pathways. This session will focus on local business owners, commerce, human resources and legal. For those interested in a business and/or law pathway, this session is a must.
18 June 1.30pm - 2.00pm	Engineering Engineer - BHP Billiton DMK Engineering Dyer Construction Drafting/Architecture	PRC3: This panel discussion will feature an engineer from BHP Billiton, together with local engineering firm representatives and a crafting professional. Highly recommended for those considering an architecture and/or engineering pathway.
19 June	Indigenous Health Pathways Day Health pathways experiential day for indigenous students considering university study	Adelaide Uni Mt Gambier Campus: Email invitations have been issued to relevant students.
25 June 1.30pm - 2.00pm	Health Audiology Pharmacy - Chemist King Optometry - Specsavers	PRC3: This session follows on from the earlier Allied Health Session and will feature different areas for consideration.
1 July 1.30pm - 2.00pm	Flinders University A presentation on university courses available, pathways, campus life, accommodation and scholarships	Lecture Theatre: Representatives from Flinders University will be presenting.
2 July 1.30pm - 2.00pm	Medicine/Mental Health Headspace - counsellor Local doctor (GP) Anaesthetologist / Space Doctor	PRC3: For any students interested in Medicine or Psychology as a pathway, this is a rare opportunity to hear from local medical professionals in this space!



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FRIDAY  
13<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

UPSTAIRS IN THE PAM  
RONAN CENTRE  
6.30PM FOR A 7.00PM START

Get your table organised for a fun evening with friends!

\$10 PER PERSON - TABLES OF 8-10

Please email [sight@tenison.catholic.edu.au](mailto:sight@tenison.catholic.edu.au) to register your table & pay via the Qkr! App.



RAFFLE & COMPETITIONS ON THE NIGHT!

BYO DRINKS, DINNER, SNACKS

## Stay and Play

Casual after-school play for the  
children and an opportunity for families  
to connect



Week 5, Friday 30th May



3.15 - 5.00pm

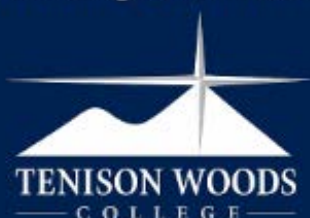


MacKillop Junior School  
Playground



Sausage sizzle \$3

Hosted by the Faith, Health &  
Wellbeing Committee



## Tenison Woods College Messenger Chats

[TWC Poplar Parent/Carer chat](#)

[TWC Reception Parent/Carer chat](#)

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# YEAR 7-12 CROSS COUNTRY - GALLERY





# YEAR 3-6 DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY

Our Year 3-6 students have been busy exploring, building, and creating in Design and Tech Club this term! From coding interactive projects on Scratch and designing 3D models with Makers Empire to hands-on challenges like marble runs, paper planes, LEGO builds, and tower constructions with everyday materials, there's something for everyone!

