

# MARONITE COLLEGE OF THE HOLY FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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## **MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL – Sr Margaret Ghosn**

Welcome back to term 4 and the final leg of our educational journey this year. As we all know, term 4 is a very busy time with exams, assessments and reporting, not to mention planning for 2018. HSC commence their final exams and we wish them all the best. All other students should also be in study mode preparing for their final exams. As this term will be a hot one, a reminder to remain well hydrated and drink plenty of water. Furthermore, hygiene is important so please ensure a daily morning shower and use of deodorant.

A revised New Building Sponsorship - to assist in the \$10M Secondary Building cost we are asking families to consider sponsorship that begins at \$1000 upwards. Details are available in the attachment to this newsletter. For enquiries contact Mr Asmar 96336600 or by email <u>easmar@mchf.nsw.edu.au</u> Family Package \$1,000

• Advertisement in one edition of the College Newsletter and on the Electronic Board.

#### Cedar Package \$5,000

- Business advertised for one school term through the College website, social media, electronic board and newsletter
- Promotion at the official Opening ceremony
- Invitation for 2 people to attend the official Opening ceremony

#### Education Package \$10,000

- Business advertised for two school terms through the College website, social media, electronic board and newsletter
- Promotion at the official Opening ceremony
- Invitation for 3 people to attend the official Opening ceremony

#### Howayek Package \$15,000

- Business advertised for three school terms through the College website, social media and newsletter
- Promotion at the official Opening ceremony
- Invitation for 4 people to attend the official opening ceremony



## **DOING THE ROUNDS**

Work over the term break: Painting, Gardening, Cleaning, high pressure cleaning of facades etc. New dabke costumes for our Secondary students who will be performing at Mirath in Mind next week.



New furniture in 3 Lavender thanks to fundraising by the Parent Association



**Teachers' Day –** we recognised the 15 years of service of the following staff: Ms S Abou Azar, Ms R Coorey, Mr P Julius, Ms S Sen, Ms K Swamy, Ms J Hatem, Ms B Ramsey and Ms C Rozario





**Vouchers from Lowes –** We have 300 vouchers to give away to parents to purchase the school uniform from Lowes in Westfield Parramatta. There are \$10 off shoes vouchers and 15% off school wear vouchers. So if any parent would like a voucher please come and collect from the main office. We have also provided each Yr 6 student a voucher to claim \$50 off School blazers. We are also providing a \$50 Lowes voucher to 10 families struggling financially. We thank Lowes for their assistance.



**Lebanon Rugby League World Cup** - A letter regarding the rugby league world cup was distributed to all students with information on purchasing tickets in the MCHF supporter bays for the two Sydney games featuring Lebanon. We encourage families who wish to go to these games to purchase tickets and join as a

Yr 11 camp from 11-12 Oct

MCHF family to support the Lebanon Rugby League team. You can purchase tickets using the MCHF password through the website <u>https://culturalpulse.com.au/MCHF</u> or see Mr Asmar (Lebanon Rugby League Ambassador) for more information and other booking options.

**NOW TARGETING: Week 1 and 2 Theme will be: UNIFROM AND GROOMING** So make sure that you remember to wear the correct uniform and well groomed.

Access Free Microsoft Office suite, including Word, PowerPoint and Excel: <u>https://portal.office.com</u>

Students require an Opal Pass to catch the bus- apply through www.transportnsw.info/school-students

JB HiFi BYOD Portal: <u>https://www.jbeducation.com.au/byod/</u> School BYOD Code: MCHF2017



CONGRATULATIONS All Rounder Awards – Y3: Salma Abou-Azar Y5: Norma Samaha

Silver award – Y3: Milaniya Nehme

Principal's Award – Y3: Mahfoud

REP SPORT - OZ TAG: Junior boys defeated Emmaus 4-1

Anthony Harb, Christy El-Khoury, Tatiana Nehme and Kristal Elias attended the Life at Sydney at the University of Sydney. It was a great and advantageous experience where the students learnt new skills dealing with communication, team work and leadership. The students won the prosthetic leg competition against other schools which involved creating one and testing it out.

#### PARENT CORNER

**Community hubs –** term 4 events include Tues: Yoga, Wed: Computer course, Thurs: Cooking and Fri: Walking. Contact Afrah on 0401 451 686

Prayer time – Sr Irene will lead reflection on Fridays from 2:30pm in the Church. All parents are invited.

**Canteen Online Ordering -** lunch orders from the canteen can be now made online. Parents/Guardians are required to register and activate your account at www.QuickCliq.com.au.

From the Parent Education and Support Network (PESN): *App Parent Guide: Instagram* - Instagram (aged for 13+) is a free photo (and video) sharing application that allows users to take photos (and oneminute videos), apply a filter, and share it on the app. Parents should know that Instagram also has a private messaging feature which some students can use instead of texting. Instagram has also added some 'disposable' features to try and copy Snapchat. Instagram can potentially be great if it is used in a positive manner for showcasing one's accomplishments. Students can post from a mobile device (but not a desktop). Click on the link below for more information regarding the Instagram app. http://smartsocial.com/instagram-parents-guide-video/

**Providing Documents to Explain Absences -** It is a legal requirement to submit documentation to explain your child/ren's absence. Documentation includes signed letters and medical certificates. When providing explanations for a students' absence, it is vital to provide a valid reason. For example, 'sick' on its own is not a valid reason. A valid reason would be 'sick due to a virus.'

The PA Shop will be called the 'Uniform/Book Shop' which will be operated by the College from term 4 onwards.

Events: <u>http://www.mchf.nsw.edu.au/events/</u> To receive the e-newsletter email admin@mchf.nsw.edu.au W: <u>http://www.mchf.nsw.edu.au/</u> F: <u>https://www.facebook.com/mchfparramatta/</u>