



MARONITE COLLEGE OF THE HOLY FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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Term 3 – Week 10: Friday 18th September 2015

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL – Sr Margaret Ghosn

What a busy term it has been. As we come to the end of term 3 I wish you all a safe holiday. Please keep in your prayers our HSC students who are preparing for their final exams.

Competition for staff, students and parents – This year's theme is, 'In the image of God.' If you can describe this in 50 words (in Arabic or English) or can visually depict this, I invite you to send me your submission to mghosn@mchf.nsw.edu.au. The best will be placed in the newsletters.

In God's image we should love one another, the way he taught us. We must learn to forgive and help people in need. In God's image we must protect the land and nature, especially animals. We all should try to be like Jesus through prayer. We all should remember Jesus. – Aurora Finianos Yr 1 Gold

Term 4 commences for Staff Tuesday 6th October
Students return in summer uniform on Wednesday 7th October

DOING THE ROUNDS

Primary Academic assembly



Yr 6 were off to Canberra from 9th till 11th September – they undertook an educational tour of the National Capital and participated in a variety of educational programmes focused on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy. We visited the CSIRO, National Capital Exhibition, Electoral Education Centre, War Memorial, Parliament House, Embassy Tour, Institute of Sport and Questacon. The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the National Capital. To assist families in meeting the cost the Australian Government is contributing funding per student.



Year 12 Graduation Mass and ceremony on 11th September <http://douhi.wix.com/afkarightirabiah>



Mirath in Mind held on 9th September – Yr 7-10 Arabic students participated in the theme 'Sabah in Mind.'



Meet and celebrate art and fashion designers who have contributed to Sabah's title 'Icon of Fashion.' There

will be music, fashion, singing and a special contribution from Egypt by Miss Nadine Amer. There will also be a tribute to 'The sound of music' on its 50th Anniversary. Location: Bryan Brown Theatre, Corner Rickard and Chapel Roads Bankstown. Parking available under the building. October 10th from 12-4pm. Tickets at the door: \$15 adult, \$5 child. RSVP the school by Friday October 3. Mirath in Mind - Parents Committee

Congratulations to our new College Captains and leaders for 2016

Captains: Murielle Aboukaram and George El Bazouni; **Leaders:** George Abou-Antoun, James Fares, Jessica Ishak, Jennifer Katrib, George Sassine, Laura Sassine, Rachelle Youssef

Assistant Leaders: Simon Al-Ekhtiyar, Claudia Douaihy, Melanie Haddad, Jennifer Khoury, Annalise Stanton



Secondary Walk-a-thon included dress up, lots of walking and a sausage sizzle!



Other happenings around the College:

Yr 5 experienced LOTE and Maths transition day

Yr 5 Aboriginal performance

Secondary Volleyball Tournament Grand Final champions Byblos

Yr 10 drama performed 'The Crucible' to students and staff

Yr 11 drama performed 'The importance of being earnest' to students and staff

Yr 11 Economics students visited Reserve Bank.

Yr 10 Social Justice Group along with Mr Abboud visited the Westmead Children's hospital.

David Touma, Michelle Frangi and Danielle Fares attended "IDEATION 2015" at Powerhouse Museum.

Rachelle Youssef's (Yr 11) WOMEN campaign for legal studies <http://womenscamaign.weebly.com/>

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the students who received Honour Board Awards. Their work is displayed in the Primary Hall. In Yr 6 George Khoury, Crystelle Wehbe, Jimmy Geagea, Marina Beacharra. Yr 6 Arabic Raymond Hadchiti, Steven El Dimassi.

3 Orange are 2nd in Australia in Athletics and have achieved 21 gold awards out of the 24 students.

Parramatta Advertiser article about Yr 6 student Antonio Abou Touma who was recognised for his good works:
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All Rounder Awards – Yr 7: Karen Hawache, Yr 8: Gabriella Hawach, Tatiana Dib; Yr 11: Eddie Fakhri, Charles Katrib, Joelle Hadi, Hannah Darjani, Danielle Laoulach, Elissa Geagea

Bronze award – Yr 7: Gabrielle Baker, Maryrose Aboukaram Yr 8: Chantal Rizk; Yr 11: Murielle Aboukaram

Silver Award – Yr 7: Dominique Lahood, Mona El-Hachem, Christopher Makdessi, Mabelle Chamchoum Yr 8: Jessica Wehbe; Yr 11: Jennifer Katrib

Principal's Award – Yr 7: Rachelle Nakhoul, Rafka Semaan

Congratulations to Jorge, Zach and Jonah Dayoub who won the NSW State title in their weight division in Freestyle Wrestling. They will compete for the National Wrestling Title this Sunday in WA.

2015 Maths Olympiad champions – In Primary Mandalin Moussa (Y5) and Simon Zaiter (Y6). In Secondary Thomas Taouk 1st; Robbie El-Bazouni 2nd; Gabrielle Baker, Serge Boustany and Marius Younes 3rd.

Congratulations to Anthony El-Kadi of Yr 12 who has been accepted into the Academy of Interactive Entertainment (AIE). Anthony is currently studying Industrial Technology Multimedia for his HSC.

Congratulations to Yvonne Moussa (Yr 12) for achieving a UMAT score of 168 for UNSW.

Congratulations to Mr Julius and intermediate girls Frisbee team on their Grand final win 6-4 against Emmaus Catholic College.

PARENT CORNER

Survey - The College Executive is committed to establishing a culture of ongoing review and development. To achieve this parents of Kinder and Yr 6 students are invited to complete a short confidential survey. The Kindergarten survey focuses on your child's transition to school and the Yr 6 survey focuses on your child's transition to Secondary. The survey links are [Kindergarten Survey](#) and [Transition Survey](#)

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