



MARONITE COLLEGE OF THE HOLY FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL – Sr Margaret Ghosn

It has been a very busy week with plenty of events happening, including photo days and guest speakers. You can see it all in this newsletter. The next few weeks we see a number of excursions taking place as well as the Secondary Parents' information evening on 24th February at 6:30pm. Please note during Lent the canteen will not be selling meat products on Fridays.

Buy-A-Brick campaign. See attached flyer. All money raised will help in building our new block. If you want your name engraved in the new building you need to purchase a brick before September this year. **Thank you to the following who have purchased bricks recently:** Mrs M Zaiter

DOING THE ROUNDS

Important dates to remember: <http://www.mchf.nsw.edu.au/events/month/>

Parent Volunteer Induction Meeting - Thankyou to the 90 parents who attended on 16th Feb. These inductions ensure that all parent volunteers are aware of their responsibilities to WHS and Child Protection within the College environment. If you would like to volunteer, but were unable to attend the meeting, please see Mary Abi Khattar in the main Administration office in D block, any Wednesday or Thursday. Only parents who have completed the induction can assist in classrooms and PA activities.



Primary Parent Information evening on 16/2/16 had an excellent turn out of parents.

Kindy buddies – Yr 6 helping out the littler ones!



On 16/2/16 the College participated in the NRL Community Carnival - Tepai Moeroa and Rory O'Brien

from the Parramatta Eels came to the college and spoke to students in Primary and High School about the importance of leading an active and healthy lifestyle and working hard at school to achieve your dreams.



Greater Western Sydney (GWS) AFL team visited on 18/2/16 - to speak with our students as part of the AFL Community Camp and invite them to the upcoming community days being held in Parramatta. The Primary students spent the morning with Shane Mumford, Steve Johnson and Devon Smith and the Secondary students spent the afternoon with Dawson Simpson, Matthew Kennedy and Nick Haynes.



Assembly for class and sport captains and SRC leaders on 17/2/16 with guest Mr Jonar Nader



WHS News - MCHF is committed to the safety of students, staff and visitors. To meet this responsibility we have an active Work, Health and Safety Committee comprising of: Dr Margaret Ghosn, Mr A Stillen, Ms R Bala, Ms B Ramsey and Ms R Pangallo. Evacuation and Lockdown drills took place on 10th and 15th Feb and all staff completed training modules in WHS, Child Protection and Disability Standards for Education. We are all encouraged to monitor safety standards at our College and report any hazards.

Secondary swimming carnival held on 19/2/16 at Merrylands Pools



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the students who received Honour Board Awards. Their work is displayed in the Primary Hall. In Yr 1 Angelina Deeb, Christian Ghabache, Angelina Faddoul, Roberto Tannous

On 16/2/16 our largest ever group of Primary Students represented the College in the Cumberland Zone Swimming Carnival. Congratulations to Charlie Abou-Touma and Christina Elkhoury who have both qualified for Diocesan. All students who participated will be receiving awards at our end of term assembly.



Rep sport

Touch football: Junior girls defeated St Clare 3-1; Intermediate girls defeated St Clare 7-1.
Volleyball: 34-15 intermediate boys Gold won against Emmaus; 27-25 intermediate boys Blue won against St Claire; 32-39 junior girls Gold lost against St Agnes; 44-32 junior girls blue won against St Claire; 56-13 inter girls gold won against Emmaus; 33-24 inter girls blue won against St Claire.

PARENT CORNER

Free Arabic Healthy Lunch Box parent workshop on 1st and 8th March from 1-2:30pm. Run by Cancer Council NSW.

Homework Club – we will be trialling an open homework club policy where Yrs 2-6 can attend homework club if they have a signed note. In order to assist students, additional volunteer teachers as well as secondary students, will be attending. Once we have established if this routine is working we will either make the arrangement permanent or return to the current process.

Parent Notes - The following notes were distributed to each family on 2nd and 8th Feb.

Medical Updates - Please update your child's medical records so we can provide appropriate care. Asthma and Anaphylaxis plans must be submitted by 22nd Feb or records will indicate a 'no return'.

Photo Video note - Please return by 22nd Feb. Only signed exemptions will be recorded in College records.

Collection Notice - This was distributed for your information and does not need to be returned.

Learn Taekwondo at Fearless Martial Arts. Unit 5, 187 Fairfield Road Guildford West. Chris Barnes - 0415 663 966 www.facebook.com/fmataekwondo



Smart Start

Education

SCHOOL READINESS PROGRAM - Numeracy & Literacy for children aged 4-5 years

Michelle Tamaro (B/Ed Primary; M/Ed Literacy)

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