



MARONITE COLLEGE OF THE HOLY FAMILY

NEWSLETTER

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Term 2 – Week 1: Friday 29th April 2016

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL – Sr Margaret Ghosn

Welcome to term 2. I hope your holiday break was relaxing and time spent memorably with family. We are entering the term where exams loom large. Students have plenty of work to keep them busy, studying for exams and for Naplan. This term also sees Year 8 off on camp and we have special Masses this term including Mother's Day Mass and Tayta and Jidoo Mass among others. So as we enter term 2 may we work together so that each person may flourish in their gifts and talents.

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. **Thank you to the following who have purchased bricks recently:** Mrs M Moussa (1 brick), Mr & Mrs El-Bazouni (2 bricks)

DOING THE ROUNDS

Maintenance over the holidays: Gardening, Painting, High pressurised cleaning of infants playground, Extensive cleaning of classrooms and corridors, Installation of 60 security cameras etc.

All students must have an Opal card - Go to is www.transportnsw.info/school-students All students that have not received a card will need to re-apply otherwise you will not be able to board the buses.

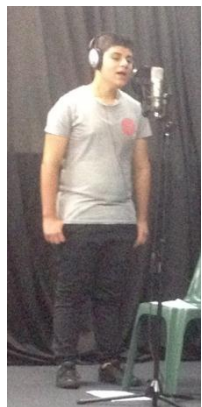
Parent Education and Support Network (PESN) - The College is currently working towards establishing an education and support network for parents. The main aim of the network is to provide seminars, workshops, presentations and various gathering to assist parents with their children. Further information will be available and a launch of the network will occur in the near future. PESN will work with various organisations such as MaroniteCare. If any parent would like further information or would like to be involved with PESN please contact the Public Relations Officer, Mr Asmar at the College

Amendment to 2017 Curriculum Policy (Secondary)

- Any student in Years 7 – 10 that travels overseas or interstate during formal Examination periods without being granted an exemption for leave will receive a maximum mark of 40% for the Examination that they have missed. Estimate marks will no longer be granted.
- Any student in Years 11 & 12 that travels overseas or interstate during formal Examination periods without being granted an exemption for leave will receive a zero mark for the Examination that they have missed. Estimate marks will no longer be granted.

Travelling is highly encouraged during school holidays only, not during school terms. We ask for your cooperation in this matter.

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is a snapshot of the skills your child has developed up to this point in their education, in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy. This allows teachers to focus on giving the right support to students as the year continues. We wish our students all the best and ask parents to assist students in preparing for Naplan over the next two weeks.



New hymns: Mr C Hayman, our Secondary music teacher, has written and produced a Wedding Hymn using the words from the Song of Songs book in the Bible. Mrs J Botros sings the hymn. You can listen to it on the link https://youtu.be/h5vO96T_6Ns

Mr Hayman and Secondary students have recorded a hymn inspired by Mother Therese's letters from 1946/47 to the Archbishop which explain her experiences of God calling her to evangelise the poor of India. The first half is God speaking to her and the second is her response. The Students involved in this recording include: Claudia Douaihy (main vocals), Rachele Nakhoul, Christopher Douaihy, Michael Nouh (backing vocals), Raymond Hadchiti (Drums). Here is the link: <https://youtu.be/50ztl1n-xrY>

Staff First Aid training held on Tuesday 26th April 2016



Premier's Reading Challenge – Primary students have been given their usernames and passwords. Students keep these details for 2016 and all future participation.

Primary ANZAC ceremony held on 27th April 2016





4 Amber learnt about healthy relationships - As an activity they threw string to each other creating a web and seeing how our actions impact not only ourselves but others.



Yr 7 & 8 had their mentoring session with their teachers on 29/4/16 - Various topics were discussed including 'Respect.' The students here spoke about the characteristics of respect and how these characteristics affect their everyday College life as well as their life as Christians.

Secondary ANZAC ceremony on 27th April with special guest Dr Geoff Lee, Parramatta Liberal MP





CONGRATULATIONS

All Rounder Awards – Yr 7: Ashton Tannous, Heleena Diab

Congratulations to Year 10 students selected as Peer Support Leaders



PARENT CORNER

Canteen – now has EFTPOS/PAYWAVE. Also the new menu is attached to this newsletter.

The Maronite Family, Walking with Mary to Joseph - For the Jubilee Year of Mercy, the Office of Family Life and Marriage invites all parishes to take part in a family procession from OLOL Co-Cathedral to St Raymond's Parish in Auburn on Sunday 1 May. The procession will begin at OLOL at 2.30pm and conclude with a Mass for the Feast of St Joseph the Worker, celebrated by His Excellency Antoine-Charbel Tarabay at 5.00pm. For more details, please contact Subdeacon Danny Nouh on 8831 0000 or 0477 008 787..

العائلة المارونية، مسيرة مع مريم إلى يوسف
لمناسبة السنة اليوبيلية للرحمة، يدعو مكتب الحياة العائلية والزواج في الأبرشية جميع الرعايا للمشاركة في مسيرة للعائلات من كاتدرائية سيدة لبنان في هاريس بارك إلى كنيسة مار يوسف العامل في رعية مار رومانوس، أوبرن ساوث، وذلك يوم الأحد 1 أيار 2016. تنطلق المسيرة من سيدة لبنان الساعة الثانية والنصف بعد الظهر وتختتم بقداش يحتفل به صاحب السيادة المطران أنطون-شربل طربيه لمناسبة عيد مار يوسف العامل عند الساعة الخامسة. لمزيد من المعلومات، يرجى الاتصال بالشدياق داني نوح على 8831 0000 أو 0477 008 787.

Mon Cheri a family owned business in the OLOL Church Building, specialises in Laser Hair Removal, Spray Tanning, Waxing, Facials, Eyebrow/Eyelash Tinting. Make an Appointment to see our experienced Cosmetic Injectable Nurse and Cosmetic Tattooist in Feathered Brows/Eyeline/Lip Liner. We stock the Skin Care Range **Skinstitut**. Refer to our website www.moncherilaserclinic.com.au for more info. We are open Wednesday to Saturday. All bookings/enquiries please call 98914446.

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