



MARONITE COLLEGE OF THE HOLY FAMILY

NEWSLETTER

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Term 2 – Week 6: Friday 3rd June 2016

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL – Sr Margaret Ghosn

I would like to draw your attention to a few things that are happening around the College. Please take the time to read this newsletter carefully.

Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) - The College has been working to improve its IT services for staff and students through the implementation of bring your own device (BYOD). BYOD allows staff and students to bring their personal devices to the College to enhance the learning environment through accessing the College's Wi-Fi. Currently Yr s11 and 12 students have access to BYOD, and the College plans to make it available to the remainder of students throughout the year.

Year 11 and 12 AMPC Careers Workshop - Our College will be hosting the Australian Maronite Professionals Council (AMPC) careers workshop on Wednesday 15th June 2016 from 10–12pm. Students will explore the various career paths with representatives from various professions in attendance.

Meet and Greet Community Day on June 18 – at Our Lady of Lebanon Co-cathedral from 10-5pm. Meet your local police, Parra Eels players and PCYC.

2016 Parent/Teacher Bookings: The College has implemented a new online method for booking the K – 11 interviews with your teachers. A letter will be sent out with instructions on how to book your interviews.

Jidoo and Tayta Mass on 29/6/2016 – all grandparents are invited along to the Mass and morning teas afterwards.

A reminder Monday 13th June is the Queen's Birthday public holiday.

Buy-A-Brick campaign. Please refer to the following link for the campaign flyer and application form http://www.mchf.nsw.edu.au/latest_news/mchf-buy-a-brick-campaign/ 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:**

DOING THE ROUNDS

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.

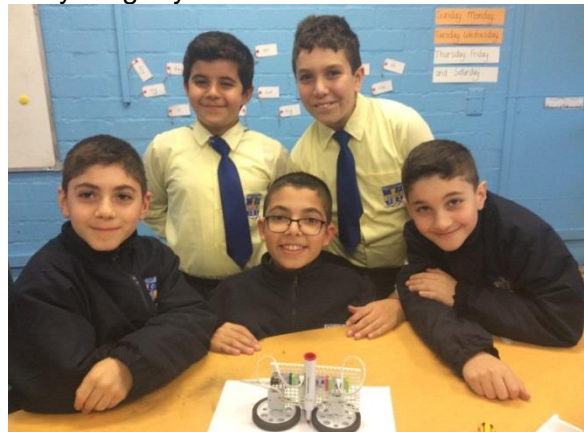
As is the custom every year, the College opened its doors to receive the statue of Mary and worshippers as they prayed the rosary to end the month of Mary.



Mathletics/Reading Eggs – All students should be logging in to Mathletics and Reading Eggs each week to ensure they are maximising their learning and receiving awards along the way. We look forward to seeing lots of students achieve their Gold awards.

Primary Sports Carnival – is on Wednesday and all students must be dressed warmly for the event. Please label all of your children's belongings to reduce the amount of lost property at the end of the day. We hope to see all of the students joining in on the day.

Literacy and Numeracy Professional Learning days - As part of the College Literacy and Numeracy Action Plan, this week teachers in K-2 participated in Professional Learning days. The aim was to further develop Assessment Strategies in Literacy and Numeracy for the younger years.



Interest group – The Years 5 and 6 lunchtime interest groups have been having fun learning the basics of engineering using Little Bits resources and will be working on basic coding during Term 3.

Thank you to Hayley Bazouni, Rhonda Wehbe and Sureseal Australia Pty. Ltd. for donating various play and sporting equipment for our infants. Our infants are extremely excited for play time.



On 3rd June, Senior Constable Dakic discussed the impact of drugs, alcohol and partying to Yr 11 - He explained the process and what is actually inside a drug and the result of possessing drugs. He also discussed the outcomes of messy parties and inviting people on social media. He encouraged people to register their birthday parties on www.mynite.com.au so the local police are aware that there is a party happening just in case a phone call is received.



Drop Everything And Read (D.E.A.R) – is promoted in Secondary every morning after announcements in line with our theme for this year 'Let's Read.' Students are encouraged to read a novel, graphic novel or suitable work of non-fiction.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the students who received Honour Board Awards. Their work is displayed in the Primary Hall. In Yr 3 Chloe Nakhoul, Tiana El Bazouni, Patrick Matta.

Congratulations to Yvonne Moussa who was awarded on 30/5/16 the Australian Lebanese Foundation Scholarship for Sydney University



On 31st May, the under 15 boys and girls teams participated in the GWS Giants cup - It was an undefeated run to the grand final for our girls team, defeating OLMC, Quakers Hill and William Clark High school. Unfortunately, our run came to an end against a formidable opponent in St Columbus High. Congratulations to all students who participated on the day.

PARENT CORNER

Teaching a Learner Driver Parent Workshop - The Parent Education and Support Network (PESN) has organised a free workshop funded by the RMS (Roads and Maritime Services) for parents with learner drivers to help them become safer drivers on Wed 8th June at 6pm in the Primary Hall. All parents and learner drivers are welcome to attend. **Bookings are essential.** For booking or more information contact Mr Asmar on 9633 6600 (Ext. # 214) or eamar@mchf.nsw.edu.au

E-Learning (Moodle) Parent Information Session - The College has arranged a parent information session for Yrs 5 and 6 parents to demonstrate the use of Moodle. The session will be Wed 27th July 2016

(Term 3 Week 2) from 2:15pm – 3pm in the Primary Hall. To RSVP or for more information please contact Mr Asmar at the College or email easmar@mchf.nsw.edu.au

Parent Education and Support Network (PESN) - Upcoming Workshops and Seminars			
Topic	Date	Time	Location
Safe Learner Driver Parent Seminar	8/6/16	6pm	Primary Hall
Parenting Course – Session 2 “Parenting Control: Structure vs Chaos”	21/6/16	10:00am (Arabic Session) 7:00pm (English Session)	OLOL CYPC
Year 5 and 6 Parent Information Session “Understanding Moodle”	27/7/16	2:15pm	Primary Hall

Effective Parenting Course Session #1 - Thank you to all the parents who attended the first session of the effective parenting course led by Dr Dima Akik. The sessions were engaging and the information provided was relevant to many families. Session #2 Parenting Control: Structure vs Chaos will be held on Tuesday 21 June 2016.



College Tours - The College will run tours once a term to show parents and the wider community the learning environment at the College. The first tour will be held on Wednesday 22nd June 2016 from 2pm – 3pm. The event will include a short presentation followed by a tour. Bookings are essential. For more information please contact Mr Asmar. To book please visit the College website or click on the following link http://www.mchf.nsw.edu.au/latest_news/mchf-college-tour-booking/

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