

# MARONITE COLLEGE OF THE HOLY FAMILY

### **NEWSLETTER**

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Term 3 – Week 4: Friday 12<sup>th</sup> August 2016

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

On August 15<sup>th</sup> we celebrate OLOL Parish Feast of the Assumption as well as Foundation Day at the College. Please remember the Maronite Sisters of the Holy Family in your prayers on this special day when we renew our yows.

Foundation Day holiday Monday 15th August





On Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> August our Year 3 students will be celebrating the Sacrament of Holy Communion. We ask all of our College family to keep the Year 3 students and their families in your prayers in the coming week.

### DOING THE ROUNDS

The Australian Girls' Choir will be holding a short assessment for interested students on Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> May. All girls from Yrs 1-5 have been given a a permission slip that they will need to return if they wish to try out.

Yr 4 are learning about Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. For our English lesson we learnt how to make and follow a procedure creating our own chocolate – Ms Doumit and





Kindy and Yr 1 students went down to the Church to watch women baking bread the old fashioned way – on the saj! The best part was eating the bread!

**The Secondary walk-a-thon was held on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> August -** All funds raised will go towards the new \$9.5 million building. A special mention to Yr 7 students: Nina Bou Said for raising \$736.50, Elly Nassim - \$100, Elie Bou Haroun - \$80, Tatiana Estephan - \$90, Joseph Samya - \$61, Roula Abou Chedid - \$62. In Yr 8: Robbie El Bazouni - \$100, Sami Jo Laoulach - \$50 and in Yr 9: Boutros Yaacoub - \$50

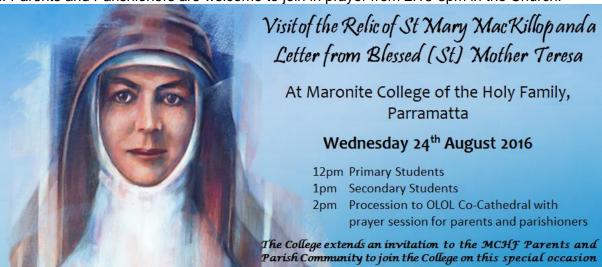


**EV3 Lego Robotics are now at MCHF** – In 2017, Yr 8 students will be undertaking the very first STEM program in Robotics and Artificial Intelligence. The EV3 Lego Robotics Technology is an educational resource providing engineering and technological contexts in which our students' scientific and mathematical applied solutions are put to the test through a series of scientific experiments and mathematical problem solving to respond to real and relatable challenges. The College paid \$10,000 for these packages which hopefully will be put to good use!



HSC commenced their trial exams on 8/8/16. Good luck Year 12!

Way of Mercy: Relic of St Mary MacKillop and Letter of Blessed (St) Mother Teresa - Wed 24<sup>th</sup> August 2016, MCHF will host the relics of St Mary MacKillop and an original letter of Blessed Mother Teresa from 12–3pm. Parents and Parishioners are welcome to join in prayer from 2:15-3pm in the Church.



#### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the students who received Honour Board Awards. Their work is displayed in the Primary Hall. In Year 1 Jacqueline Moussa, Tobei Anjoul, Youseff Sarkis, Anthony Mekary.

All Rounder Awards – Yr 1: Jason Azar, Gabriel Deeb, Elijah Ghabache, Miled Estephan, John Koura, Angelina Faddoul, Juliana Licha, John Maroun, Charlize Saab Yr 2: Isaac Bou Francis, Rebecca Boustani, John Yaacoub

Bronze award - Yr 1: Annabella Khoury

Silver Award - Yr 7:

Principal's Award - Yr 1: Timotheus El-Katrib

On 9<sup>th</sup> August, 7 students represented MCHF at the Cumberland Zone Athletics Carnival. Two students made the Parramatta Diocesan Carnival representing the Cumberland Zone. Congratulations to Layla Mouawad (6 Teal) for coming 3<sup>rd</sup> in both the 100m and 200m finals and Christian Moussa (6 Topaz) for coming 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 200m finals. Congratulations also to the following students for placing in their heats: Anthony Khoury (2 Jade) 4<sup>th</sup> place, Mikayla Moussa (3 Orange) 5<sup>th</sup> place, Isabella Samaha (4 Amber) 3<sup>rd</sup> place, Mikalya Starvrinkis (6 Emerald) and Sassine Andary (6 Emerald) 2<sup>nd</sup> place. - Miss Roumanus



ICAS Science results were outstanding with the following Primary students achieving these awards: Christian Abdulahad - Merit; Michaela Ibrahim - Merit; Audrey Tannous - Merit; Brealle Hasham - Credit; Melody Sleiman – Credit; Joshua Khoury – Credit; Pierre Raffoul – Credit; Joy Sleiman – Credit; Jonathan Chidiac – Credit; Jerome Francis – Distinction

Top students in Science, took part in the ICAS Science Competition run by the University of NSW -Congratulations to the following students. In Yr 7: Ashton Tannous – Credit (Top 20% of the state), Joseph Samya and Simon Zaiter - Merit (Top 40% of the state): Yr 8: Robbie El-Bazouni - Distinction (Top 10% of the state), Ann-Maree Semaan – Distinction (Top 10% of the state), Gabrielle Baker – Credit (Top 20% of the state), Christina Ibrahim – Credit (Top 20% of the state), Theresa El Halabi – Credit (Top 35% of the state), Rafqa Kayrouz – Credit (Top 35% of the state); Yr 9: Thomas Taouk – Credit (Top 30% of the state), Joseph Azzi - Credit (Top 35% of the state), Vanessa Boumelhem - Merit (Top 40% of the state); Yr 10: Michelle Mereb - Credit (Top 20% of the state), Layla Maroun - Credit (Top 30% of the state), Emily Zaiter - Credit (Top 35% of the state), Charbel Azzi – Merit (Top 40% of the state).

### PARENT CORNER

Purchasing a Laptop for BYOD - The College is currently working with Dell to provide an opportunity for parents to purchase laptops for their children to use at the College at a reasonable price. This service will only occur if the College receives a high response from parents. If any parent is interested please contact Mr Asmar at the College or email at easmar@mchf.nsw.edu.au

From the PESN: Teach your teenager to be independent - The teenage years are when students begin mastering skills that enable them to be independent. The whole school community is responsible for encouraging this independence, while also ensuring that students are supported and remain safe. While some teenagers crave freedom and independence, others need a little push to become confident and selfmotivated. You can assist them to develop this this independence while also finding the balance between freedom and safety. Find out how by clicking on the following link:

https://parents.au.reachout.com/Skills-to-build/Wellbeing/Things-to-try-self-confidence/Teach-your-teenagerto-be-

independent?utm\_source=referralstrat&utm\_medium=copydeck&utm\_campaign=parents&utm\_content=inde pendence

Effective Parenting Course - Session 2 (Free Course) - MaroniteCare in partnership with Maronite College of the Holy Family Parramatta's Parent Education and Support Network (PESN) invite all to the third session "Challenges of Parenting a Teenager" of the Effective Parenting Course led by Dr Dima Akik held on Tuesday 16 August 2016 at Our Lady of Lebanon's CYPC at either 10am (Arabic) or 7pm (English) with registrations taking place 30mins prior to commencement of each session. For more information please contact Mr Elie Asmar on (02) 9633 6600.

دورة مجانية حول تفعيل دور الأهل في تنشئة العائلات "مارونايت كار" بالتعاون مع المعهد الماروني للعائلة المقدسة وشبكة تثقيف ودعم العائلات بدعوة الأهالي الى دورة تثقيفية حول تفعيل دور الأهل في عائلاتنا تقدمها الدكتور ديما عقيق. الدورة تقدم مجاناً وتنقسم الى أربعة أقسام. المحاضرة الثالثة بعنوان "تحديات التربية في مرحلة المراهقة" تقام الثلاثاء 16 أب 2016 في قاعة ماري ماكيلوب في المبنى الجديد في كاتدرائية سيدة لبنان هاريس بارك الساعة 10.00 صباحاً باللغة العربية أو الـ7.00 مساء باللغة الإنكليزية. لمزيد من المعلومات يرجى الاتصال بالشدياق داني نوح على 787 008,0477 000, 0477 و السيد إيلي أسمر على 6600 02 9633

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Cincotta Discount Chemist Harris Park, 82 Wigram Street, Harris Park 2150. Ph: 9635 9466. Open Mon-Fri 9am-9pm, Sat 9am-8pm, Sun 9am-6pm. Services include Medication Management, Webster packing, Blood pressure testing, Sleep apnoea solutions, Free local

delivery - conditions apply.

Dates to remember - http://www.mchf.nsw.edu.au/events/ If you would like to receive the e-newsletter email admin@mchf.nsw.edu.au W: http://www.mchf.nsw.edu.au/ F: https://www.facebook.com/mchfparramatta/