



MARONITE COLLEGE OF THE HOLY FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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Term 1 – Week 7: Friday 17th March 2017

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL – Sr Margaret Ghosn

This week we focussed on anti-bullying, offering students many opportunities to contribute to a positive school environment. Activities ranged from prayers, to assemblies, to drama performance, to sporting events, to fundraisers and guest speakers. I thank all staff and students who were involved in making this week a success.

Refugee Fund - we have set up a fund where members of the College community can donate to assist the refugee families enrolled at the College, to pay for textbooks, uniforms, excursions etc. Thank you to staff and parents who have donated.

OPEN DAY on 26th March 10-1pm. Will include tours, workshops, demonstrations and showcases.

JB HiFi BYOD Portal login details: <https://www.ibeducation.com.au/byod/>
School BYOD Code: MCHF2017

Students require an Opal Pass to catch the bus– apply through www.transportnsw.info/school-students

DOING THE ROUNDS

Anti-Bullying week from 13-17th March was full of many K-12 activities including guest speaker Daniel Merza, poster making, prayers, drama performance etc.







Reading Groups - Elijah in Kindy Rose and Homework club



St Joseph Mass on 17/3/17 and Visit by Dr Geoff Lee MP on Wed 15/3/17



Project Compassion during Lent - Giving to charity and helping the poor is a fundamental part of Christian life and Lenten practice. Each homeroom will be given a Project Compassion Box. Students can also take

home a box. Please encourage your children to donate generously and so put Jesus' command to, 'Love your Neighbour' into practice.

Yr 12 students have completed their Semester 1 exams and assessments. A reminder that the College will be celebrating the achievements of our Yr 12 students at the Academic Assembly on Friday 31st March at 2pm. Parents are welcome to attend.

Yr 11 VET students undertook a fire awareness training session on 17/3/17 and



NEW BUILDING PROGRESS

New Building Sponsorship Opportunity - The College is providing an opportunity for corporate or community based sponsorships to assist to cover the costs for the \$9.5 million Secondary Building to replace the current C Building. Details of the packages are available in the package booklet attached. For any further sponsorship enquiries please contact Mr Asmar at the College or by email easmar@mchf.nsw.edu.au

Buy-A-Brick campaign - 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:** Jack Malkoun (1 brick)

First official meeting with builders and architect and the Executive team



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the students who received Honour Board Awards. Their work is displayed in the Primary Hall. In Yr 4 Emily Farah, Kayla Daher, Tianna El Bazouni, Isabella Bou Melhem.

PARENT CORNER

Prayer during Lenten Season – Sr Irene will be running a short prayer and Gospel reflection session for parents during Lent every Friday from 2:30-3pm in the Church. If interested in joining please let her know.

From the Parent Education and Support Network (PESN): 'What to do if your teenager is being bullied' - We should never blame someone for experiencing bullying, or treat the issue like it's unimportant. By talking with your child openly you can find out more about what's going on, and help your child understand bullying and the kinds of things that will help them cope and respond. Click on the link to be informed on the ways that you can work with your child to help them with the bullying they are experiencing.

<https://parents.au.reachout.com/common%20concerns/everyday%20issues/things%20to%20try%20bullying/what%20to%20do%20if%20your%20teenager%20is%20being%20bullied>

JOIN THE FUN. Play Rugby league at the Parramatta city Titans junior rugby league club. We are taking registration for all players both boys and girls from 4 to 17 years old. Contact 0424 754 886 or www.parracititans.com.au

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

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