



MARONITE COLLEGE OF THE HOLY FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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Term 2 – Week 1: Friday 28th April 2017

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL – Sr Margaret Ghosn

Welcome to term 2 and I hope you had a blessed Easter time with loved ones. This term has plenty in store for us including the ever important NAPLAN for Yrs 3, 5, 7 and 9. I ask that all parents and students ensure proper preparation for these exams especially given now students in Yr 9 must achieve a band 8 in literacy and numeracy to be eligible for HSC.

Mother's Day Mass and Morning Tea on Friday 12th May at 9am
Parent Volunteers' Mass and Morning Tea on Friday 19th May at 9am

DOING THE ROUNDS

Visit by former Prime Minister, The Hon. Tony Abbott on 28th April 2017







New signage for our College. Thank you to Ms T Sarlog and her niece and nephew for painting the silhouette in Kindy White over the holidays.



Yr 6 students have been invited to participate in the Scholarship program for their 2018 Secondary enrolment sponsored by the College. These include MCHF Academic Scholarship, Pastoral Scholarship and Sporting Scholarship. All applications must be submitted to the classroom teacher by Monday 18th September. We look forward to reviewing all entries.

Every student at the College can access the latest Microsoft Office suite, including Word, PowerPoint and Excel, for free. Go to <https://portal.office.com> and enter your College email and password. Then click the 'Install Office 2016' button on the top right hand side of the window and follow the prompts.

Staff received training in CPR on 26/4/17



Primary ANZAC ceremony held on 27/4/17



CONGRATULATIONS

PA Easter Colouring Competition Winners

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded winners of the Easter colouring competition

- Kindy – Jacob Khawaja and Alyssa D
- Year 1 – Charbel Chiha and Heidi Farah
- Year 2 – Angelina Deeb and Raphael Semaan
- Year 3 – Thomas Abi-Khattar and Christine Alsomsom
- Year 4 – Faith El Katrib and Anthony Merheb
- Year 5 – Anthony Hassoun and Annmarie Licha
- Year 6 – Joseph Abi-Khattar and Christine Joukhader

PARENT CORNER

2017 College Tours - The first tour will be on Wed 21st June at 11am. The tour will include a short presentation followed by a tour of the buildings. Bookings are essential. Visit the College website and complete the online form or complete the eForm through the College App. For more information contact Mr Asmar.

MCHF Phone App - Our College has our own Skoolbag iPhone and Android App to help communicate more effectively with our Parent/Student community. To install, search for our College name **Maronite College of the Holy Family** in either the Apple App Store or Google Play Store. The App has the ability to sort and filter the notifications you receive. To turn these filters on follow these steps:

- Go to your App. Click on the 3 dots labelled "More" (Bottom right hand side of App)
- Click "Setup Push Notifications"
- Tap the "ON" tab beside the category that is applicable to you.

From the Parent Education and Support Network (PESN): '9Tips for Raising Teenagers in the Digital Age.' **Tip #4 – How they behave is more important than what they say:** Young people are better at communicating through their actions than their words. Acting out is often them saying that they are not well and looking for help. Look out for any unexpected behaviour in your teen, and use that as a cue to intervene.

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.

JB HiFi BYOD Portal login details: <https://www.jbeducation.com.au/byod/>

School BYOD Code: MCHF2017

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

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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