



# MARONITE COLLEGE OF THE HOLY FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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Term 3 – Week 1: Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2017

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL – Sr Margaret Ghosn

Welcome to term 3 and second semester. I hope all enjoyed the Winter break. It is time now to return back to work and put in our best effort. This term there is a great deal happening including:

- Yr 12 trials commence 10/8
- Foundation Day Mass and Walk-a-thon 14/8
- Foundation Day holiday 15/8
- Primary Book Fair begins 24/8
- Father's Day Mass 1/9
- Yr 12 Graduation 8/9
- Yr 11 exams commence 11/9
- Yr 6 Canberra trip 13-15/9
- Kindy 2018 orientation 15/9

**We welcome the Maronite Sisters of the Holy Family  
Deputy Congregational Leader and Council Member Sr Marie Raymond  
And Council Member Sr Marie Celeste**

**Who will be in Australia for a month (from 27 July), visiting the ministries of the Sisters in Sydney.**

**Secondary is seeking parent volunteers to supervise the HSC trial exams between 10-25<sup>th</sup> August.** If you can assist phone Mr C Bettiol on 9633 6600 or complete the Google form at the following link: <https://goo.gl/forms/xUDCrzeY0IGEXT983>. Parents must have completed the volunteer induction.

## DOING THE ROUNDS

**Staff Movements** – there have been a number of changes in staffing for term 3 for various reasons:  
We farewell Mr J Messiha in the role of Secondary Director of Teaching and Learning  
We welcome Mr C Bettiol in the role of Secondary Director of Teaching and Learning  
Returning from parental leave are Ms R Delia and Ms N Pamboukian into the role of Yrs 5 & 6 integration  
Ms J Botros returning from parental leave into the TAS KLA Coordinator role  
Ms T Pather is the new Yr 4 Aqua teacher  
Ms M Georgiades has resigned to take up a leadership role with CEO  
Taking 2 Pink will be Ms G Bechara / Ms A Dwyer (Wednesday)  
Taking 4 Olive for term 3 will be Ms D Fayad / Ms A Dwyer (Thursday) while Ms S Lal is on LSL

## Building progress – foundations being laid



**Yr 11 and 12 students listened to a motivational talk by Daniel Merza on 'Resilience' on 20/7/17**

Over the holidays Mr Hassarati, students, ex-students and parents of MCHF experienced a tour of the Holy Land and Lebanon. Yr 12 drama students rehearsing their performance over the term break.



**Maintenance over the term break included:** cleaning of all classrooms, high pressure cleaning of playgrounds, gardening, pesticide spray, thorough cleaning of garbage bins, cleaning of air conditioner filters and replacement of laptops and desktops with new versions.

**On 18<sup>th</sup> July staff had a session on vocal care** with Speech Pathologist students from ACU. Parents are encouraged to teach their children not to scream and to drink plenty of water to hydrate the larynx.

#### **Staff Warden and General Occupancy training on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July**



Secondary have begun a new initiative where each fortnight the College will focus on a theme whereby students are reminded to adhere to College Policies and be ready to learn. Week 1 and 2 and our focus will be: Uniform and Grooming. We appreciate your support with this new initiative.





## Yr 8 Geography conducted an integrated lesson with Yr 6 Emerald on 21/7/17



During the staff development day on 17<sup>th</sup> July Primary teachers were trained in coding. Teachers were introduced to Scratch and Scratch Jr giving them the skills to implement coding in future lessons. Teachers were also introduced to augmented reality and how it can be used in the classroom. On 18<sup>th</sup> July the TAS, Science and Maths teachers worked on the robotics programme for Year 8.

Students require an Opal Pass to catch the bus— apply through [www.transportnsw.info/school-students](http://www.transportnsw.info/school-students)

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. Click the 'Install Office 2016' button on the top right hand side and follow the prompts.

## CONGRATULATIONS

**Congratulations to the following students for their ICAS Science results** - Merit: Charlize Khoury (Y4), Charlize Sleiman (Y4), Gerard Boudib (Y5), Christiane Daher (Y5), Matthew El Bazouni (Y5). Credit: Jean Paul Azar (Y5), Anthony Bou Francis (Y5), Brealle Hasham (Y5), Michaela Ibrahim (Y5).

**All Rounder Awards** – Yr 1: Danny Taouk, Isaiah Ghabach, Jamie Wakim, Tatiana Mejalli, Claire Khoury, Mario Ishak Yr 3: Maryanne Habib Yr 7: Oriana Frangie, Edmand Massoud, Celine Sader, Layla Saroufin, Luke Taouk

**Bronze award** – Yr 7: Andrea Akl, Melissa Elkrrina, Ray Hobeiche

**Rep sport results:** Our students competed in the Parramatta rugby league gala day. The Yrs 7/8 girls went through the tournament undefeated. The Yrs 9/10 lost the series and the Yr 11/12 girls also lost the grand final by 4 points with only 8 players due to injury. However, all our teams have progressed to the next level to take on the winners of the other areas as the standard and skill of our girls was quiet impressive. And yes our juniors are our first female rugby league champions!



## PARENT CORNER

**Woolworths Earn & Learn is back!** From Wed 26<sup>th</sup> July to 19<sup>th</sup> Sept, those who shop at Woolworths can collect one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco, and gift cards). The sticker sheet can be placed in the Collection Box in the Primary office. Please participate as the school receives educational resources for students.

**Community hubs** – see attachment in regards to term 3 events including Zumba, social club and cooking.

**Prayer time** – Sr Irene will lead reflection on Fridays from 2:30pm in the Church. All parents are invited.

**Harris Park Community Centre Free Homework Club** - free homework help for K-7 students every week. Parents are welcome to use this service for their child/ren if they need extra assistance. See attachment.

**Due to stock price increase, the canteen has changed prices on the following items:** Oak 300ml flavoured milk 300ml \$2.20; Milky Max Flavoured milk 250ml \$2; Fruit cups \$1.50; Vegetable Cups \$2; Vegetable Cups with Hummus/Labni \$2.50; Homemade chocolate or vanilla custard \$1; homemade pancakes \$1. The canteen is providing healthier options and have ceased selling lollies, except eucalyptus drops. **Canteen Online Ordering** - lunch orders from the canteen can be now made online. Parents/Guardians are required to register and activate your account at [www.QuickCliq.com.au](http://www.QuickCliq.com.au).

**Times for Wednesday Afternoon 'Homework Club' and 'Afternoon Detention' have changed slightly. Both these initiatives will now begin at 3.20pm and conclude at 4.20pm in time to pick up your child.**

**The Primary Discipline Policy has been updated on the school website** - Students who exhibit poor or unacceptable behaviour will move through a range of levels with various consequences. Parents will be advised immediately at each level. The new structure ensures consistency throughout all Primary classrooms. It is also more in line with the Secondary Discipline Policy which will enable a smoother transition for students. <http://www.mchf.nsw.edu.au/parentsguardians/parent-handbook/>

**2017 College Tours** - Term 3 tour will be on September 13<sup>th</sup> and will include a short presentation followed by a tour of the various buildings. To book please visit the College website and complete the online form or complete the eForm through the College App. For more info please contact Mr Asmar.

**From the Parent Education and Support Network (PESN): 'How to navigate Snap Map'** - Snapchat's latest update includes a brand new feature - Snap Map - giving users the option to share their location with friends. The Office of e-Safety Commissioner provide helpful tips on how to manage settings.

[https://www.esafety.gov.au/esafety-information/games-apps-and-social-networking/snapchat?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=Cyberzine%20June%202017&utm\\_content=Cyberzine%20June%202017+CID\\_5ab6ad2973656d700af9face235110ce&utm\\_source=Email%20marketing%20software&utm\\_term=Snapchat%20guide](https://www.esafety.gov.au/esafety-information/games-apps-and-social-networking/snapchat?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Cyberzine%20June%202017&utm_content=Cyberzine%20June%202017+CID_5ab6ad2973656d700af9face235110ce&utm_source=Email%20marketing%20software&utm_term=Snapchat%20guide)

**Free Effective Parenting Course 'Finding Peace' – Session 2:** MaroniteCare in partnership with MCHF PESN invite all to the second session for 2017 **'The Power of Body Language'** of the Effective Parenting Course led by Dr Dima Akik on **Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2017** at OLOL CYPC at either 9.30am (Arabic) or 7pm (English). For more info contact Dr Dima Akik on 8898 1540 or 0406 296 698 or Mr Asmar on 9633 6600.

دورة مجانية حول تفعيل دور الأهل في تنشئة العائلات "السلام في العائلة"

"مارونايت كير" بالتعاون مع المعهد الماروني للعائلة المقدسة وشبكة تثقيف ودعم العائلات بدعوة الأهالي الى دورة تثقيفية حول تفعيل دور الأهل في عائلتنا تقدمها الدكتورة دينا عقيق. الدورة تقدم مجاناً وتنقسم الى أربعة أقسام. المحاضرة الثانية بعنوان " لغة الجسد و التواصل" تقام نهار الأربعاء في ٢ آب ٢٠١٧ في قاعة ماري ماكيلوب في المبنى الجديد في كاتدرائية سيدة لبنان هاريس بارك الساعة ٩:٣٠ صباحاً باللغة العربية أو ٧ مساءً باللغة الإنكليزية. للمزيد من المعلومات يرجى الاتصال بالدكتورة دينا عقيق 0406296698 أو

02 9633 6600 أو بالسيد إيلي أسمر (02)8898 1540

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

School BYOD Code: MCHF2017

**'Be A Citizen' is a preparation course in Arabic to help you pass your citizenship test.** Call Eva on 0404868195.

**Dance Expression:** Building confidence, friendships and talent. Please contact Nicole on [0409 366 441](tel:0409366441) or email: [danceexpression@hotmail.com.au](mailto:danceexpression@hotmail.com.au)

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