



MARONITE COLLEGE OF THE HOLY FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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Term 3 – Week 6: Friday 25th August 2017

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL – Sr Margaret Ghosn

The Year 12 students have completed their trial exams and can breathe a sigh of relief for now. Next week Primary have their Book Fair. We also celebrate Father's day Mass this coming Friday and we invite all Fathers to attend, followed by morning tea. A reminder of Primary Jersey Day on Thursday 7 September.

12 & 19 Sept – Talks by Sr Margaret on caring for the dying and grieving at 7pm in D001

Parent volunteers needed to help supervise Yr 11 exams in the hall in the last 2 weeks of this term. Please let the office know by this Wednesday if you can assist. It would be greatly appreciated.

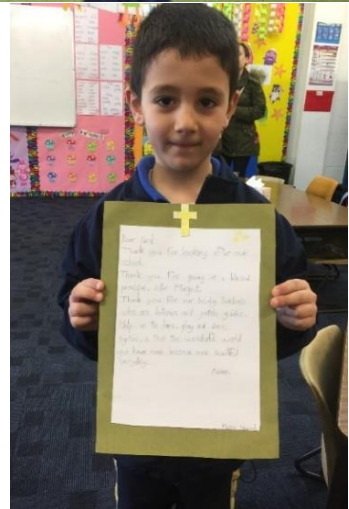
DOING THE ROUNDS

Access the latest Microsoft Office suite, including Word, PowerPoint and Excel, for free. Go to <https://portal.office.com> enter your email and password. Click 'Install Office 2016' and follow prompts.

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

Naplan Online Readiness Testing for Yrs 3, 5, 7 and 9 - NAPLAN, in 2019, will be conducted as an online test. In preparation students will practice NAPLAN Readiness test to assess our technology capacity. The practice test also allows children to experience how the testing looks and feels.

Yr 1 enjoyed Little Athletics which was part of the Sporting Schools Funding from the Government. Mema Yaccoub in Kindy White proud of the prayer he wrote and read at morning assembly.



Yr 1 completing their STEM task in the Learning Centre with the assistance from Yr 5. Yr 9 pastoral session on 'building up' one another



His Excellency Bishop Antoine Charbel Tarabay addressed Yr 10 and 11 students on 24/8/17 in regards to the Maronite Diocesan Assembly from 24-26th Nov at Our Lady of Lebanon Co-Cathedral with the theme 'Strong in faith ... Growing in love.' Responses will set the framework for the Assembly. The survey can be completed through: www.surveymonkey.com/r/maronitesurvey Also attached to the newsletter is a letter from the Bishop in reference to the same-sex vote.



Each fortnight the College will focus on a theme whereby students are reminded to adhere to College Policies and be ready to learn. NOW TARGETING THEME for Weeks 7 and 8: **CLEAN AREAS & CHEWING GUM**

NEW BUILDING PROGRESS

New Building Sponsorship - to assist in covering \$10M Secondary Building cost, which will replace the current C Building. Details are available on the College website. For enquiries contact Mr Asmar 96336600 or by email eamar@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:** Mr M Abood (1 brick), Yr 5-4 Arabic class (1 brick), Diana Taouk (1 Brick), Mariette Nassif (3 bricks), George and Nina Bousaid (2 bricks), 3 Beige (1 brick), 5 Sapphire (1 brick)



Buy-a-brick – 2 weeks left to purchase a brick and have your name engraved into the new building

CONGRATULATIONS

All Rounder Awards – K: Rihanna Ibrahim, Gabrielle Abi-Khattar, Charbel Adam, Mia Bazouni Y1: Mia Kerbaj, Estaleena Karam Y2: Anthony John Sleiman, Selina Dib, Rene El-Khoury, Zac Moujalli Y3: Billy Tadros, Charbel Mawad, Katherine Nohra, Christine Al Somsom, Peter Diab, Aaliyah Halabi, Aline Doueihy, Jude Hasham Y7: Mark Nemer Y9: Jon Boumelhem, Robbie Eel-Bazouni (second round), Romeo Rodriguez

Bronze award – K: Alexi Boutros Y1: Ava Hasham, John Jurdi Y2: Elias Chalhoub, Joshua Gabache, Joseph Assi, Fayez Atieh, Janae Diab, Gabrielle El Bayeh, Charbel Jabbour, Giuseppe Taouk, Ayva Wakim Y3: Lauren Tawk Y7: Stephanie Atie, Ella-Marie El Katrib, Natalie Khoury, Georgia Deeb, Julien El Bazouni, Julia Elkatrib, Ashley Habib Y9: Samantha Abboud, Raychel Fares, Angela Marie Nemer

Silver award – Y2: Alexi Nasar, George Esber, Christian Youssef Y3: Joseph Habib Y7: Alissar Ishac, Mikayla Stavrakis Y9: Gabrielle Baker

Principal's Award – Y3: Isaac Bou Francis Y7: Marissa Franjie, Joy Sleiman

Congratulations to Rita Raffoul (Y5), Nicholas Laba and Jerome Francis (Y6) for each scoring 4 answers correctly on Olympiad 4.

The fourth Maths Olympiad was held this week. Simon Zaiter Y8, continued to impress, getting 3 out of 5 and Elie Joukhadar Y7, also impressed with 3 out of 5. Jason Chakti, Joseph Samya and Mandalin Moussa all achieved 2 out of 5.

Congratulations to MCHF students representing Cumberland Zone at the Parramatta Diocesan athletics carnival on 25.8.17: Charbel K, Xavier N, Zachariah D, Jonah D, Anthony K, Kayla F, Kristina C, Claudia H and Mia B.



PARENT CORNER

Woolworths Earn & Learn – from 26th July to 19th Sept, those who shop at Woolworths can collect one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent. Please participate as the school receives educational resources for students.



Community hubs – term 3 events including Zumba, social club and cooking lessons. **Zumba every Tuesday at 9:30 in Primary hall. Social club every Wed and Fri at 9:30am. Cooking classes on Thursdays. Contact Afrah to book on 0401 451 686**

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

September 13th College Tour - Bookings are essential through the College website or complete the eForm through the College App. For more information please contact Mr Asmar.

New Healthy School Canteen Guidelines - Recently the NSW Government has announced its new Healthy Canteen Guidelines and the changes are required to be made by the end of December 2019. Our school canteen meets most of the new standards as we have been making changes and we are working towards the full implementation of the guidelines by the beginning of the 2018 school year.

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.

Changes to PA Shop commencing Term 4 - The PA Shop will be called the 'Uniform/Book Shop' which will be operated by the College. Families who no longer require their uniform or books are invited to donate

them to the College. Families who have given their books for the PA to sell have the option to collect them to sell privately. As of term 4, all stock remaining in the PA Shop will be considered as donated to the College. The PA Shop is open every Monday 8:15–9am.

From the Parent Education and Support Network (PESN): 'Model Positive Ways of Relating to Others' - Parents play a critical role in modelling the behaviours they would like to see their children enact. The behaviours children learnt at home are a big part of what they'll take with them into later life. So it's important to think about how you can demonstrate the skill of positively relating and communicating with others, so your child learns from you.

<https://parents.au.reachout.com/common-concerns/everyday-issues/things-to-try-bullying/model-positive-ways-of-relating-to-others>

MaroniteCare in partnership with MCHF Parramatta's Parent Education and Support Network invite all to the third session '**The Art of Winning Every Battle**' of the Effective Parenting Course. The third session will be held on **Wed 30th August** at OLOL CYPC at either 9:30am (Arabic) or 7pm (English). For more info contact Dr Dima Akik on (02) 8898 1540 or 0406 296 698 or Mr Elie Asmar on (02) 9633 6600.

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

"مارونايت كير" MaroniteCare بالتعاون مع المعهد الماروني للعائلة المقدسة MCHF وشبكة تثقيف ودعم العائلات PESN بدعوة الأهالي الى دورة تثقيفية حول تفعيل دور الأهل في عائلتنا تقدمها الدكتورة دينا عقيق. الدورة تقدم مجاناً وتنقسم الى أربعة أقسام. المحاضرة الثالثة بعنوان " كيف تريح كل معاركك؟" تقام نهار الأربعاء في 30 آب 2017 في قاعة القديسة ماري ماكيلوب في المبنى الجديد في كاتدرائية سيدة لبنان هاريس بارك الساعة 9:30 صباحاً باللغة العربية أو الـ 7:00 مساءً باللغة الإنكليزية.

للمزيد من المعلومات يرجى الاتصال بالدكتورة دينا عقيق 0406296698 أو (02) 8898 1540 أو بالسيد إيلي أسمر 02 9633 6600

Volunteer Opportunities for Community Hubs Program

Crèche Assistant (Child Minding) <http://www.ssi.org.au/support-ssi/volunteer/volunteer-opportunities/1114-creche-assistant>

Breakfast Club Assistant <http://www.ssi.org.au/support-ssi/volunteer/volunteer-opportunities/1078-breakfast-club-assistant>

English Practice Facilitator <http://www.ssi.org.au/support-ssi/volunteer/volunteer-opportunities/1136-english-practice-facilitator>

English Practice Assistant <http://www.ssi.org.au/support-ssi/volunteer/volunteer-opportunities/1135-english-practice-assistant>

Homework Club Tutor <http://www.ssi.org.au/support-ssi/volunteer/volunteer-opportunities/1079-homework-club-tutor>

Playgroup Assistant <http://www.ssi.org.au/support-ssi/volunteer/volunteer-opportunities/1080-playgroup-assistant>

Food Distribution Assistant <https://www.volunteer.com.au/opportunity/details/105284>

Admin Support Officer <https://www.volunteer.com.au/opportunity/details/105244>

How to Apply and Become an SSI Volunteer

1) Click on the link to view Community Hub Volunteer role, to register your interest complete an online Expression of Interest form.

2) Upon receiving expression of interest form Volunteer Program will contact applicant via email and requested to complete an SSI Volunteer Application.

3) Once application has been received, Volunteer Program team member will contact applicant directly via phone to discuss the role they have selected and provided information about SSI volunteer recruitment process.

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

School BYOD Code: MCHF2017

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