



# MARONITE COLLEGE OF THE HOLY FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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Term 4 – Week 3: Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2017

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL – Sr Margaret Ghosn

We welcomed some much needed rain over the week. It is a reminder to always be thankful to our God who always provides. Over the next few weeks, students will be sitting exams and so they need to be in full study mode at home. Infants are also rehearsing for their great end of year concert.

**Christmas Fundraiser** will be for 'Heaven on Earth,' an OLOL Parish based charity run by sub-deacon Robert Bayeh which provides food, clothing and financial assistance to homeless and needy people in the Parramatta, Blacktown and Liverpool area (Also in Fiji). Many teachers and students have been on the homeless feeds at Prince Alfred Park Parramatta.

- A) Each student will be asked to make a gold coin donation. The money will be collected to purchase **food vouchers** from Woolies, Coles or Aldi. These vouchers will be presented to a Heaven on Earth rep at the end of year Mass.
- B) Heaven on Earth are going to **Fiji** on November 28<sup>th</sup>. They need items such as socks, underwear, bras, thongs (flip flops) and towels (must be new) or packets of Lollies.
- C) Students can also bring in items for hampers, that we will distribute to the less fortunate.

To assist in the \$10M Secondary Building contact Mr Asmar 96336600 or email [eamsmar@mchf.nsw.edu.au](mailto:eamsmar@mchf.nsw.edu.au)



## DOING THE ROUNDS

Congratulations to our students who will sing the National anthem at the Rugby League World Cup: Kayla Fasavalu, Joanne Sader, Bella Moujalli and Jessica Succar.



**Lebanon Rugby League World Cup** - Tickets in the MCHF bays at the upcoming rugby league world cup are available for Lebanon matches. We encourage families who wish to go to these games to purchase tickets and join as a MCHF family to support the Lebanon Rugby League team. You can purchase tickets using the MCHF as a password through the website <https://culturalpulse.com.au/MCHF> or see Mr Asmar (Lebanon Rugby League Ambassador) for more information and other booking options.

**A big thank you to Ms Sarlog and Yr 6 students Joanne Sader, Claudia Harb and Kayla Fasavalu who have taken up the challenge to paint the F block corridor with some colour, to brighten it up.**



**Students working on quiver 3D app in social groups. Thursday sport – it's dance time!**



**Yr 9 study skills session. Yr 10 study skills talk by Ms C Khoury.**

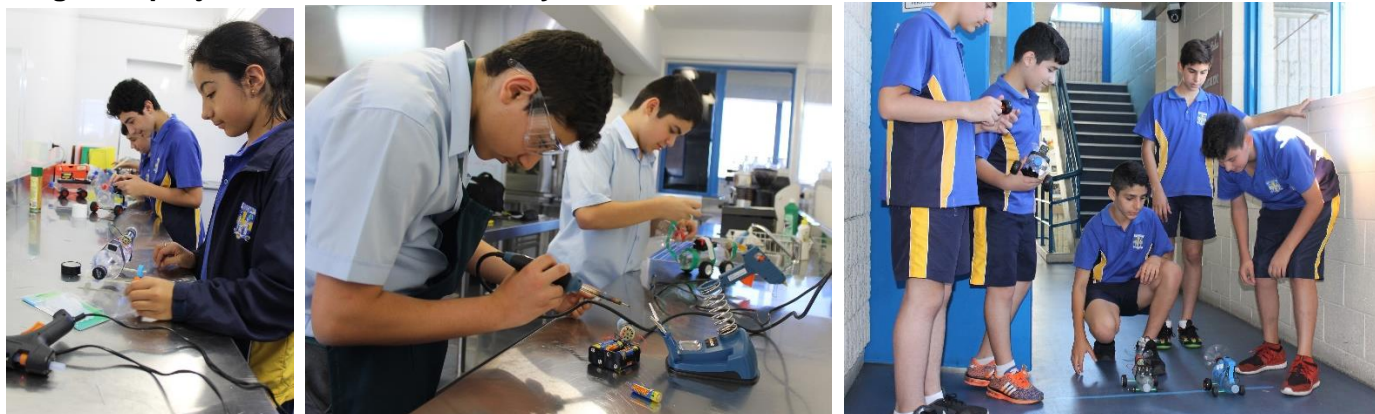


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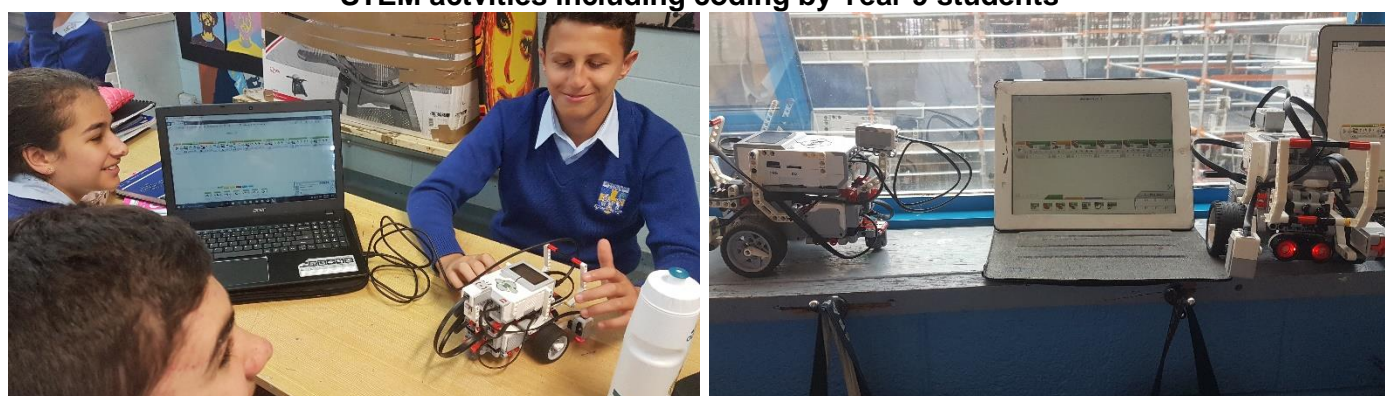
**Students require an Opal Pass to catch the bus– apply through [www.transportnsw.info/school-students](http://www.transportnsw.info/school-students)**



Yr 7 are completing their final touches by soldering and testing their bottle racers from their STEM integrated project for the semester. May the fastest racer win!



STEM activities including coding by Year 9 students



Attention all students: **NOW TARGETING: STUDY HABITS / TECHNIQUES.** Signs will be up in Homeroom and on the noticeboards. Make sure that you remember to wear the study well ahead of the exams.

The top 50 Blood donating groups for Parramatta from 1 January to 30 September, 2017 were released and MCHF came in at 18<sup>th</sup>. Well done to all staff and students who donated blood to help save lives.

**Mirath in Mind Champions once again** - MCHF Primary and Secondary was once again successful this year in winning in all categories. This year, the competition was very competitive in the performances and costumes. In Secondary we came FIRST in both the duet and the folkloric dance competitions. In Primary, we came FIRST in the duet and SECOND in the folkloric dance. This year, the multimedia consisted of students presenting information using technology where they highlight the favourite cultural aspects of the lifestyle in their village. The Visual Arts category consisted of students presenting a drawing of a Lebanese village depicting its cultural aspect. We came SECOND and THIRD in these categories. Thank you to all staff who have worked hard with our students to prepare them for this event.

### CONGRATULATIONS

**All Rounder Awards** – K: Olivia Halabi, Julian Licha, Maria Hawas Y4: Isabella Boumelhem, Rebecca Frangie, Joseph Ibrahim, Grace El Khoury Y5: George Chalhoub, Christelle Kortas, Erica Estephan

**Bronze award** – K: Gabriella Abi Khattar, Rihanna Ibrahim Y1: Maribelle Abdulahad Y3: Elias Abou Karam, Jovan Achy, Anthony Khawaja, John Diab, Nour Khalife, Antonio Melhem

**Silver award** – Y4: Joseph Maroun

**Principal's Award** – Y3: Joseph Habib, Alex Moussa

**REP SPORT:** Inter boys Oz tag defeated St Bishoys 9–1. The Boys cricket team defeated St Agnes 4/67 to 2/56

## PARENT CORNER

**Vouchers from Lowes** – We have vouchers from Lowes in Westfield Parramatta. There are \$10 off shoes and 15% off school wear vouchers. Please collect from the main office. We thank Lowes for their assistance.

MaroniteCare will be holding its **second** Cancer Support Group on **Thursday 2 November at 7pm** in the Mary MacKillop Room at OLOL Co-Cathedral and after that on **the first Thursday of every month**.

**The annual Primary Swimming Carnival will be held next Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November. A friendly reminder that all payment must be finalised by Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October.**

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

**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.QuickClik.com.au](http://www.QuickClik.com.au).

**Community hubs** – term 4 events include Yoga, Computer course, Cooking and Walking. Contact Afrah on 0401 451 686. **Melbourne Cup event** – see attached flyer for details.



**Term 4 College Tour** - on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2017 commencing at 11am. **The tour is also an orientation for new families commencing in 2018.** The tour will include a presentation, touring the buildings followed by a morning tea. To book please visit the College website and complete the online form or complete the eForm through the College App. For more information please contact Mr Asmar.

**From the Parent Education and Support Network (PESN): 'App Parent Guide: Twitter'** - Twitter (aged for 13+ years) allows you to send messages with up to 140 characters in length (including photos and videos). Twitter is a place where students feel they can diary their feelings, not realising their Tweets are tied to their identity and able to be seen by others. When a student is ready to be online, we suggest they consider Twitter but share very positive and constructive content on the network. Click on the link for more information. <http://smartsocial.com/what-is-twitter-parent-guide-video/>

**Northcott is seeking eligible participants for an inaugural Family Getaway to be held in March 2018.** This getaway, catering to families from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, will incorporate supports and activities for the whole family unit. **There is no cost to the family to attend.** To be eligible for the getaway families will:

- Reside in the Cumberland Council local government area
  - Have a child aged 5-12 old with a disability
  - Be from an Arabic or Mandarin speaking or other culturally and linguistically diverse background.
- Please find attached the flyer and the expressions of interest form.

**25<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> January the book office and stationary shop will be open for parents to purchase items such as hats, bags etc from 9-1:30pm**

**Events:** <http://www.mchf.nsw.edu.au/events/> **To receive the e-newsletter email**

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