



# MARONITE COLLEGE OF THE HOLY FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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Term 4 – Week 7: Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2017

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL – Sr Margaret Ghosn

In 2018 Yr 7 students will have the option of either learning Arabic or French. The reasons for this are:

- Students are taught Arabic through Primary years so it would be of benefit to learn another language in Secondary years if they wish
- We have students who do not speak Arabic at home and so having the option of choosing French is appealing to them

The next few weeks are very busy and much of the focus is on our end of year concerts. We ask parents to support the students by attending these events.

## DOING THE ROUNDS

Yr 10 work experience feedback has been very positive with comments such as, 'They are fantastic students,' 'very engaged in the work,' 'takes initiative and is eager to learn' and 'we will love to host students from MCHF again.' About 50% of students have been offered casual work.

Yr 12 formal held on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> Nov



Kindy students posting Santa letters to the North Pole! Mrs. Delia's and Mrs. Pamboukian's Yrs 5 and 6 reading group made a special visit to K Rose and K White to read a story book.



MCHF presents their annual Primary concert with the theme 'Building Up' on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2017.



**MCHF presents their annual Secondary Expo Extravaganza: NEW SENSATIONS! Tues 5<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm in the Secondary Hall. Tickets are on sale now in the C Block office.**

**NOW TARGETING: Week 7 and 8 Theme: BEING CYBER SMART.**

**Lebanese Flag raising ceremony Wed 22 Nov at Parramatta Town Hall Centenary Square**



**Lebanon Independence day celebrations on 22/11/17 and Lebanese food on 24/11/17**



**The JB HiFi BYOD Portal is now available for 2018. Please make sure that you have read the specifications of each device to ensure you choose the correct device for your child's needs. To login to the portal go to <https://www.ibeducation.com.au/byod/> and enter the School BYOD Code: Maronite2018**



**Yr 3 First Reconciliation on 24/11/17**



**Primary music recital on 23/11/17**



**Students Layla Maroun and Precella Ishak (Y11) and Rita Layoun and Vanessa Youssef (Y10) participated in the Arab Bank/AGNSW Rembrandt & the Dutch Golden Age workshop on 22/11/17. A revised New Building donation that includes tax deduction - to donate towards the \$10M Secondary Building contact Mr Asmar 96336600 or by email [eamar@mchf.nsw.edu.au](mailto:eamar@mchf.nsw.edu.au)**



**Getting fit organised by community hubs. Yr 11 students Tatiana Nehme, Lara Makary and Charbel Hawache after their first blood donation.**





## CONGRATULATIONS

**All Rounder Awards** – Y1: Christian Farah, George Bousaid Y4: Andrew Bechara, Simon Halabi, Elyse Melhem

**Bronze award** – Y1: Michael Boumelhem, Tatiana Mejalli, Alisha Youssef Y2: Rene El-Khoury, Chris Katrib Y4: Philip Dib

**Silver award** – Y1: Elisa Francis, Anthony Bouchaaya Y2: Julien Nabhan, Ayva Wakim, Amber Fasavalu

**Principal's Award** – Y2: Joshua Ghabache, Selina Dib, George Esber

**Junior boys Oztag defeated Xavier 4–3 and will play Emmaus College in the Grand Final next Thursday.** Intermediate girls lost their semi-final against Emmaus 3–2.

## PARENT CORNER

**Community hubs** – events include Cooking and Mums and kids fitness. Contact Afrah 0401 451 686.



**From the Parent Education and Support Network (PESN): 'Why Finishing 4<sup>th</sup> Beats Winning'** -Winning is just one story. Not winning carries emotion, but it's not necessarily positive. Kids usually experience disappointment, annoyance and frustration – all unpleasant emotions. It's good to learn that things don't always go your way. This is a huge life lesson. Not winning also teaches kids to link success with effort. It teaches them that perseverance pays off eventually. Click on the link to read more on this interesting article by Michael Grose including some practical strategies to adopt.

[https://www.parentingideas.com.au/2017/11/finishing-4th-beats-winning/?utm\\_source=Parenting+Ideas+Master+List&utm\\_campaign=fbe0c28fb9-EMAIL\\_CAMPAIGN\\_2017\\_06\\_06&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_f488c60967-fbe0c28fb9-188334001&mc\\_cid=fbe0c28fb9&mc\\_eid=da8363e355](https://www.parentingideas.com.au/2017/11/finishing-4th-beats-winning/?utm_source=Parenting+Ideas+Master+List&utm_campaign=fbe0c28fb9-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2017_06_06&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_f488c60967-fbe0c28fb9-188334001&mc_cid=fbe0c28fb9&mc_eid=da8363e355)

**25<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> Jan 2018** the shop will be open for parents to purchase 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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