



MARONITE COLLEGE OF THE HOLY FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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Term 1 – Week 3: Friday 16th February 2018

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL – Sr Margaret Ghosn

MCHF FETE Sunday 18th March 10am to 3pm - to bring together the College community in a fun and social event. The fete will include rides, games, children activities, stalls, entertainment and many more activities. There are sponsorship opportunities for businesses to assist with funding the event. Please refer to the sponsorship packages attached.



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**RIDES - STALLS - GAMES
ENTERTAINMENT**

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We are also looking for parents to donate items/prizes for our fete. If anyone can help out in any way contact Sr Margaret or Mr Asmar at the College or via email eamar@mchf.nsw.edu.au

DOING THE ROUNDS

Ash Monday Mass on 12/2/18



Yr 9 Chinese students learning about scone making and Drama transcends language barriers



MCHF Welcomes Chinese International Students and teachers from 12-16 Feb



Thursday Sports for Secondary



Evacuation and Lockdown Drills - There will be an Evacuation drill on Monday 19th February and a Lockdown drill on Tuesday 20th February as part of our WHS annual plan.

New C Building - The Opening of the new C block will take place around July and staff and students will have access to a new learning environment with the latest in technology and spaces that allow for team teaching and collaborative learning. The Secondary will now be on the one campus ensuring better security.

Donating Towards New Furniture in the New Building: The College has partnered with SchoolsPlus to seek donations towards purchasing new furniture for the new building. Donations are tax deductible. Refer to the donation booklet <https://www.schoolsplus.org.au/projects/modern-furniture-new-secondary-building/>

CONGRATULATIONS

Well done to the following students who represented MCHF at the 2018 Cumberland Zone Swimming Carnival: Monique Abou Touma, Anthony Bou Francis, Isaac Bou Francis, Zoe Fagerstrom, Brealle Hasham, Angelea Ibrahim, Charlize Khoury, Audrey Moussa, Michael Khoury, Mikayla Moussa, Milaniya Nehme and Elyssa Wakim. A special thanks to Ms Kate, Mrs Moussa and Mrs Wakim.

Rep Sport: Touch 7/8 Boys defeated St Agnes 2-1, 9/10 boys lost to Emmaus 3-4, 9/10 girls lost to St Agnes 0-5. **Volleyball** 7/8 boys defeated McCarthy 22-6, 9/10 boys defeated St Agnes 40-36, 7/8 girls (gold) defeated St Agnes 60-30, 7/8 girls (blue) defeated McCarthy 70-19, 9/10 girls defeated Emmaus 57-12.



PARENT CORNER

Access Free Microsoft Office suite, including Word, PowerPoint and Excel: <https://portal.office.com>

Students require an Opal Pass to catch the bus – <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails>.

The JB HiFi BYOD Portal - Please read the specifications of each device to ensure you choose the correct device. Go to <https://www.jbeducation.com.au/byod/> and enter the School BYOD Code: Maronite2018

The crossing and parking - parents are not stop before the crossing to drop off or pick up their children – especially K-2 students. They must park in the carpark and drop off students or walk them into the playground. Also all parents must respect the road rules and park respectfully.

Students Leaving Early - Parents are turning up to the College to pick up their child for no valid reason, especially on hot days. The College will not permit any student to leave early if there is no valid reason.

Furthermore, no parent is to request to pick up their child from 2:40 onwards. You can wait till the bell goes for their dismissal. This is to avoid unnecessary interruptions to classes.

Primary and Secondary Parent Information Evenings - Information Evenings will be held on Mon 19th Feb for Primary and Wed 21st Feb for Secondary at 6:30pm in the Secondary Hall. The evening is compulsory for all parents/guardians; students may attend with their parent/guardians. If a parent/guardian is unable to attend, then a signed letter explaining the reason must be submitted to the Office.

Family and Student Details Update - if your details change, log onto the parent portal to make the changes. Access the portal via the website under the "Parents/Guardians" tab. A user guide for the portal is available. <http://www.mchf.nsw.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2017/05/Parent-Portal-User-Guide.pdf>

Coles Sports for Schools commences Wed 7th Feb - Every \$10 spent at Coles during the program (excluding gift cards, liquor, fuel and tobacco), will earn a Coles Sports for Schools voucher. These vouchers will go towards purchasing sport equipment for the College, encouraging all our children to get healthy and active at school. We have 8 weeks to collect as many Coles sports for Schools vouchers for our College.

Community hubs – Contact Afrah on 0401 451 686 or see flyer. Tues: Fitness for mums and kids, Wed: Floristry course, Thurs: Play group and cooking class & Fri: Nutrition & healthy lifestyles.



Prayer time – Sr Irene will lead reflection on Fridays from 2:30pm in the Church commencing 16/2/18.

Reflection day at Mulgoa, 14th March for parents and friends - cost \$30. If interested book with Ramona in A block office. Sr Irene will accompany the group. See attached flyer.

Talk by Dr Philip Salem on cancer 1st March at 7pm at ACU – see flyer

Canteen Online Ordering - lunch orders from the canteen can be made online at www.QuickCliq.com.au.

Message to parents - We would like to remind you that magic words such as hello, please, you're welcome, I'm sorry, and thank you, all begin to be learned AT HOME. It's also at HOME that children learn to be honest, to be on time, diligent, show friends their sympathy, as well as show utmost respect for their elders and all teachers. HOME is also where they learn to be clean, not talk with their mouths full, and how/where to properly dispose of garbage. HOME is also where they learn to be organised, to take good care of their belongings, and that it's not ok to touch others. HERE AT SCHOOL, on the other hand, we teach language, mathematics, history, geography, physics, sciences, and physical education. We only reinforce the education that children receive at home from their parents.

Join the BIGGEST AND BEST Taekwondo school in the Holroyd area! Fearless Martial Arts - 187 Fairfield Road, Guildford West. High energy Taekwondo classes with experienced, qualified instructors. Call Master Chris Barnes on 0415 663 966 or visit www.facebook.com/fmataekwondo

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