



# MARONITE COLLEGE OF THE HOLY FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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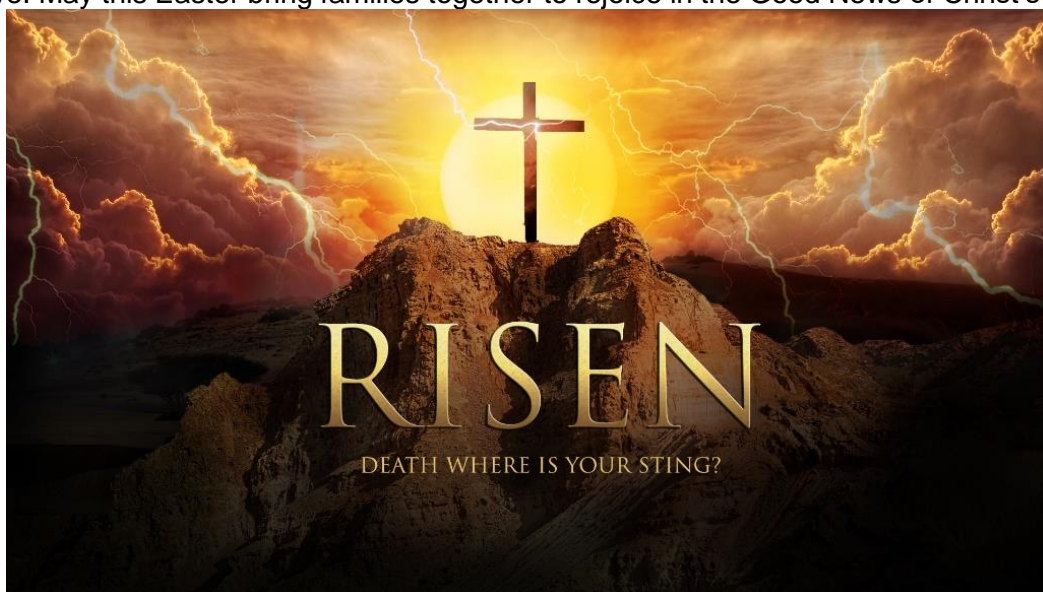
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Term 1 – Week 9: Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL – Sr Margaret Ghosn

**Congratulations to one and all on raising just over \$7000 for Caritas. This was the combined effort of the entire MCHF community. The money will go towards Lebanese and Australian charities.**

As we enter into the most important days in the Christian calendar, I take this opportunity to wish every person of the MCHF community a very special Easter. May the Risen Christ light your hearts with great hope and love. May this Easter bring families together to rejoice in the Good News of Christ's undying love.



**Students return to school on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April**

## DOING THE ROUNDS

**Yr 11 Community and Family Studies class went on an 'amazing race' challenge through the city as part of their unit 'Resource Management' on 27/3/18. It provided the students an opportunity to put theory into practice as they used human and non-human resources, critical thinking and team work.**





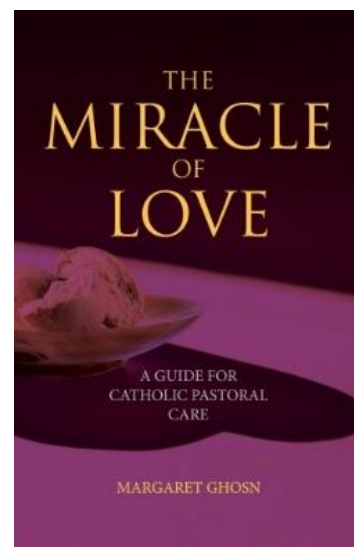
On 24<sup>th</sup> March, 12 Visual Arts students visited the Art Gallery of NSW 2017 Art Express exhibition and the Biennale of Sydney. 28/3 Yr 11 undertook an Elevate Education session in study techniques.



Sr Margaret's Yr 12 students on their environmental/aboriginal walk around Parramatta on 27/3/18. The Yr 12 VET Construction students completed a two-day bricklaying course this week at McCarthy Catholic College as part of their course. The students impressed with their level of skill laying bricks.



Sr Guitta and infants praying around the Holy Family every morning. Sr Margaret's new book: 'The Miracle of Love. A guide for Catholic Pastoral Care' is available for purchase through the College or the publisher [http://coventrypress.com.au/Bookstore?product\\_id=52](http://coventrypress.com.au/Bookstore?product_id=52)



On behalf of the Interfaith Council for the Annunciation, Bishop Antoine-Charbel Tarabay, Maronite Bishop of Australia, and MaroniteCare are delighted to invite you to attend our **annual interfaith celebration for the Feast of the Annunciation to Mary** at the Australian Catholic University in Strathfield on 4 April 2018, at 7pm. [https://drive.google.com/file/d/1t8QEkrIj\\_IGiSq30GFwdLLuK0vtBt6i0/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1t8QEkrIj_IGiSq30GFwdLLuK0vtBt6i0/view?usp=sharing)



### Yr 10 Food Tech presented Mexican inspired Nachos



**Congratulations to Michaela Moussa and Paul BouMelhem for winning the Primary Easter Raffle and Easter egg competition**



**The College will issue afternoon detentions for any student caught chewing gum.** This will remain in place until students cooperate and adhere to our policies and procedures. A reminder to parents/guardians that chewing gum is strictly prohibited. The College has spent thousands to steam clean carpets and high pressurised cleaning of playgrounds and cleaning desks.

**New C Building** - The move to the new C block will take place around June 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

**Congratulations to Ibrahim Fakhri (Yr 10) for his selection in the PDSSSC Under 15's Boys Rugby League team.** Ibrahim performed extremely well that he was selected in the Sydney Independent Colleges Rugby League team which will compete at the New South Wales Combined Catholic Colleges (NSWCCC) rugby league tournament. We wish Ibrahim all the best in his quest to wear the NSWCCC jersey.

**Congratulations to Elie Menhem (Yr 7) for his selection in the PDSSSC Swimming Squad to compete at the New South Wales Combined Catholic Colleges (NSWCCC) Swimming Championships.** Elie finished first in the Under 12's Breaststroke event. We wish Elie all the best.

## 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.ibeducation.com.au/byod/> and enter the School BYOD Code: Maronite2018

**Canteen Online Ordering** - lunch orders from the canteen can be made online at [www.QuickCliq.com.au](http://www.QuickCliq.com.au).

**The Athlete's foot** – When you mention the College name during purchase at The Athlete's foot in Parramatta or Merrylands stores, they will donate \$5 of the purchase to MCHF.

**Coles Sports for Schools - This is the last week to collect Coles Sports for Schools Vouchers. Up until Sunday April 1, Coles will be giving out DOUBLE VOUCHERS for every \$10.00 spent. To date we have collected over 15,000 vouchers. A fantastic effort by everyone. Thank you!**

**The Primary Learning Centre is looking for volunteers to assist with daily tasks such as covering new books, scanning and returning books and general maintenance. If you are interested, please leave your name and number at the main office.**

**Community hubs** – Contact Afrah on 0401 451 686 or see flyer. Parents invited to a Lenten lunch n 29/3/18



**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](http://www.facebook.com/fmataekwondo)

**Alphabeta OOSH would like to invite all MCHF families to our Vacation Care program 16 to 27 April 2018** at Wentworthville Scouts Hall in Dunmore St. Vacation Care Activities range from \$50 to \$75 a day and rebates apply. Collect forms from Admin office or email [assistant@alphabeta.com.au](mailto:assistant@alphabeta.com.au). Alphabeta OOSH - 02 9831 4001.

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