



MARONITE COLLEGE OF THE HOLY FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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Term 2 – Week 2: Friday 11th May 2018

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL – Sr Margaret Ghosn

As we enter into term 2 the pages of our calendars start filling in. Over the past week we celebrated 2 important events – Yr 4 First Holy Communion and Mother's Day. We wish all our Mothers a very blessed day with their families. May God bless you with joy and love.

Unfortunately, there has been continual gossiping by a few parents which is incorrect and defaming of the College. I am asking all parents to refrain from making false assumptions about the College, its staff and practices. If you are concerned about any matter, see me directly.



DOING THE ROUNDS

Congratulations to Yr 4 students who celebrated their First Holy Communion on Saturday 5/5/18.

May they continue to grow in the light and love that comes from Christ. We also thank Mary Nehme, for volunteering her time and creating a beautiful backdrop for the students' photos.



Mother's Day stall on 10/5/18. Thank you to the Parent Association for organising this. Special mention to Jori's Discount party supplies and Dolly Chahine, for donating goods for the stall.



Mother's day Mass and morning tea on Friday 11 May



Yr 11 Society and Culture class are currently studying various theories of development – To put this into practice, on Wednesday they observed Year 1 students' cognitive and moral development. Yr 11 were impressed with the cognitive development of Year 1 as many displayed evidence of being developed well above their ages. Thanks to Yr 1 for taking part.

4 Amber investigating living things in the primary playground. 6 Indigo and 6 Teal students constructed a scale model of the Solar System as they investigate Earth's place in space



Thursday sport



Colour House Polos - Please note the colour house polos are now available in Lowes to purchase. These polos are to be worn for sporting carnivals. Secondary students will wear the polo shirts during Thursday sport inter-house competition. These polos are not to be worn as a replacement to the sporting uniform.

Secondary will be moving to BYOD in 2019 but students are encouraged to bring their laptops or iPads to classes if they currently have one.

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

New C block building will be ready mid-June. It will include open space learning areas, pin-board walls, writable walls, LED screens in all classrooms, undercroft, roof with plants and grass etc.

CONGRATULATIONS

All Rounder Awards – Y2: Maria Sabbagh, Rafael Ishac, Margarita Boufarraa, George Massoud, Jamie Wakim, Christian Farah, Ava Namnoum, Mary Ibrahim, Lawrence Farah Y3: Amber Fasavalu Y7: Jean-Paul Abi Zeid, John Andrew Elia, James Ellis, Milad Ibrahim, Jacob Khattar, Joanne Sader, Christabella Sleiman Y8: Georgia Khattar, Sabine Bou Sanayeh, Sebastian Daoud, Clair El Hakim, Mandalin Moussa, Grace Sleiman, Patricia Harb, Elissa Maroun, Pierre Raffoul, Mikayla Stavrakis, Georgia Deeb, Anthony Chohaili, Celine Al Draibi, John Ayoub, Joseph Boumelhem, Natalie Khoury, Marissa Franjie, Chanelle Mekary, Joy Sleiman, Angelina Antoun

Congratulations to our Yrs 9/10 Representative Touch football team for being crowned 2018 PDSSSC Touch Champions. The boys defeated Emmaus College 6 - 3. Well done to the boys and Miss Zaferis!



PARENT CORNER

Spiritual and Biblical Seminar titled 'The Christian Family – A Domestic Church.' Presented by Sr Yara Matta, a Professor in Theology and Biblical Studies and a Maronite Sister of the Holy Family. The sessions will be held: **Fri 25th May from 7-9pm. Sat 26th May from 10:30-4:00pm and Sun 27th May from 10–11:00am.** The seminar will be held at the **Maronite College of the Holy Family**. See attached an invitation which includes all the details. **This free event is open to all.** To register your name to participate, please contact Sr Kathy Sawma – 0412 921 293 or Sr Cynthia Issa -0458 931 463.

FREE PARENT INFO SESSION: HOW TO IMPROVE YOUR CHILD'S STUDY SKILLS - The 60-minute parent study skills session evening will inform parents on ways they can help their children effectively manage their time and stay motivated. Parents will learn about different types of work that students should prioritise across the year in order to improve their results and how parents can help their children work effectively with technology while minimising distractions like Facebook and Instagram. The Elevate Parent seminar details are follows:

Date: Thurs 24th May **Time:** 6:30-7:30pm sharp **Place:** Secondary Hall **RSVP:** cbettiol@mchf.nsw.edu.au

Term 2 College Tour - The College welcomes its parents and wider community to tour the facilities, services and learning environment on Wed 30th May 2018 from 11am–12pm. To book, please complete the tour booking form located on the College App or via the link below

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=Riy53dVPHkqKNkQ7G7ifQuiTSh1JOyNJk0U6FeWMesFUNkY5U1hBOEowN0gwQVJMRkM3OVgwU08xVy4u>

For more information please contact Mr Elie Asmar on 9633 6600 or easmar@mchf.nsw.edu.au

Community hubs – Contact Afrah on 0401 451 686 or see flyer. **Fitness session and cooking class and TAFE information session**



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