



Maronite College of the Holy Family NEWSLETTER

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Term 4 - Week 4: Friday, 6th November 2020

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Over the last weekend Members of the Board of Directors together with the Executives and Leadership teams of the College met over two days to begin working on the College Strategic Plan. A lot of work will be completed over the next few months to bring this vision to life. We thank them all for their time, hardwork and dedication towards the College and the students.



This week the Primary students celebrated Book Week. The theme for this years Book Week was 'Curious Creatures Wild Minds'. It was wonderful to see all the students dressed up as their favourite book character. A huge thank you to Mrs Le Merle for her hard work in organising this event. Thank you to all the parents for your assistance in organising the costumes for the students.





Finally I would like to ask you to please continue to keep Year 12 in your prayers as their HSC exams draw to a close on Wednesday, 11th November.

Sr Irene Boughosn
PRINCIPAL

Thank you!

Dear Parents and Friends

Words cannot express our overwhelming delight at having so many families and friends answer our Facebook call of need. So many beautiful souls filled the container we are sending to Lebanon with all the things these poor destitute men, women and children desperately need.

We are truly humbled and grateful for your constant support and are so blessed to have a community of caring and compassionate hearts!

We pray that God will bless you and your loved ones. May He always be there to guide you, love you, and carry you in your times of need.



"We are each of us angels with only one wing, and we can only fly by embracing one another. "
- Unknown

MESSAGE FROM THE PRIMARY EXECUTIVE

Each year across Australia, the Children's Book Council brings children and books together by celebrating Book Week. During this time, children are encouraged to immerse themselves in quality Australian literature designed especially for their age group. Book Week however, is not only about instilling in our children a genuine love of reading, but also about supporting, encouraging and applauding the Australian writers and illustrators who create such wonderful stories for us to enjoy.



Book Character Parade

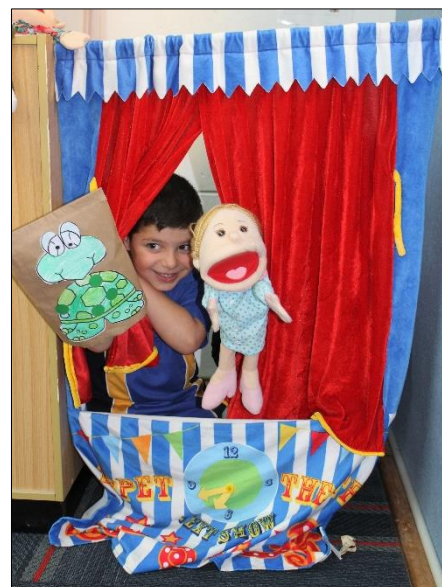
The 'Curious Creatures' and 'Wild Minds' were certainly on show this week as the Primary students and teachers dressed as their favourite book characters. Sr Irene also joined in the fun of the day. A big thank you to all the students, their parents and staff for making the day special. Special thanks to Ms Anne LeMerle for all her effort in preparing the students for the day, organising activities and making the Primary Learning Centre come to life.



Creative Arts Day

The annual Primary Creative Arts Day was held on Tuesday this week. All students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of visual arts, dance, drama and music activities that related to one of the Australian Book Council's short-listed books. It was an exciting day for both students and teachers who were able to put their creative hats on and find their 'inner artist'. I began the day with Ms Khodeir teaching Drama Literacy in 1

Gold. As we read the story 'One Runaway Rabbit', the students transformed themselves into characters from the text showing a myriad of feelings and emotions through their facial expressions.



Farewell

Today we wish Ms Roumanus all the best as she takes leave in preparation for the birth of her first child. I would like to take this opportunity to thank her for the wonderful work she has done teaching 2 Jade this year.

Kindergarten Orientation

Last week we officially welcomed all our new 2021 Kindergarten students to the MCHF community. When the reality of coming to 'Big School' sets in, a rollercoaster of emotions can be felt by both our beginning students and their parents. This next chapter in a child's life can of course be overwhelming, but our loving Kindergarten teachers were on hand, ready to show our newest students that Kindy is going to be a fun learning experience. We look forward to the exciting year ahead when our newest students begin their educational journey at MCHF. A very big thank you to Mrs Vrontas, Mrs Saap, Ms Alweddy, Ms Bechara and Mrs Delos-Reyes for their effort in making the day very special for each of the students.

Lebanon Independence Day

The College will be celebrating Lebanon's Independence Day on **Friday 20th November 2020**. A special BBQ lunch has been organised. All orders must be pre-paid and sent to your child's classroom teacher with the correct payment. We ask that all orders are placed by **Tuesday 10th November 2020**.

Upcoming Primary Events

Week	Date	Event
5	• Wednesday 11th November 2020	• Remembrance Day Ceremony
6	• Wednesday 18th November 2020	• Year 3 First Reconciliation
	• Friday 20th November 2020	• Lebanon Independence Day

Mr D. Day
Head of Primary

MESSAGE FROM THE SECONDARY EXECUTIVE

Year 5 Transition to Secondary

Year 5 Ruby participated in their transition to secondary session on Monday 2nd November 2020. Students buddied with year 8 students and spent two periods in their classes. We thank the buddies who looked after the year 5 students and to the year 8 teachers who welcomed the year 5 students in their classes.



Changes to Uniform and Grooming Policy

The College has updated its policy on uniform and grooming for secondary students. Please note the main changes:

- 24 hours will only be provided for addressing uniform or grooming concerns.
- The College may immediately send students home pending on the issue.
- Arrangements will be made in consultation with parents/guardians regarding students with shaving concerns.

Therefore, please note that commencing Monday 9th November 2020, the College will be placing a high emphasis on uniform and grooming and addressing secondary students and parents/guardians if the uniform and grooming code is not adhered to.

The College requests the support of parents/guardians in administering the College Uniform and Grooming code. This can be achieved by ensuring that students are correctly dressed and groomed when leaving for school in the morning. If there is a reason that a student is unable to wear correct uniform, a signed note must be provided, indicating the nature of the issue and when the situation is likely to be remedied.

Parents/Guardians are encouraged to contact the Year Advisor at any time with concerns or questions regarding the uniform or grooming standards. We appreciate your support and cooperation in this matter.



Mr E. Asmar
Head of Secondary

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Tuesday 10th November – Catch-up Immunisations
- Friday 13th November to Wednesday 18th November – Years 7 and 8 Yearly Exams
- Wednesday 11th November – Years K-6 Remembrance Day Ceremony
- Wednesday 18th November – Year 3 First Reconciliation
- Friday 27th November – Year 6 Graduation
- Monday 30th November to Tuesday 1st December – Year 11 Leadership Camp
- Tuesday 8th December – Last Day for Students

★★★ CONGRATULATIONS ★★★

All Rounder Awards:

- ★ Mariebelle Baaklini, Claudia Rose Loulach, Michael -Charbel Bou Nader, Victor El Khoury, Joseph Makdissi, Christopher Hadchity (Kindy)
- ★ Charlie Gebour (Year 1)
- ★ Tatiana Deeb (Year 3)

Bronze Awards:

- ★ Danielle Delia, Theresa Marie Khoury, Jaz Sahyoun, Joseph Khoury, Habib Naoum, Lea Medawar, Anthony Bou Assi (Kindy)
- ★ Anastasia Ishak, Reina Nour, George Taouk, Isaac Maalouf (Year 1)
- ★ James Koura, Georgia Hobeiche, Nathaniel Mallouhi, Luciana Nini, Heavannah Nehme, Gianno Sleiman, Eleny Joukhadar, Angelina Moussa (Year 2)
- ★ Gabrielle Abi Khattar, Olivia Halabi, Michael Al- Alam (Year 3)

Silver Awards:

- ★ Naya Al-Ajrash, Brendan Bazouni (Year 1)
- ★ Thea Ayoub, Lucas Tadros, Charbel Taouk, Fadia Taouk (Year 3)

THIS AND THAT

Year 3 Lavender students sharing their final work on their favourite Shortlist book. They have been working on a Colour, Symbol, Image Thinking Routine.



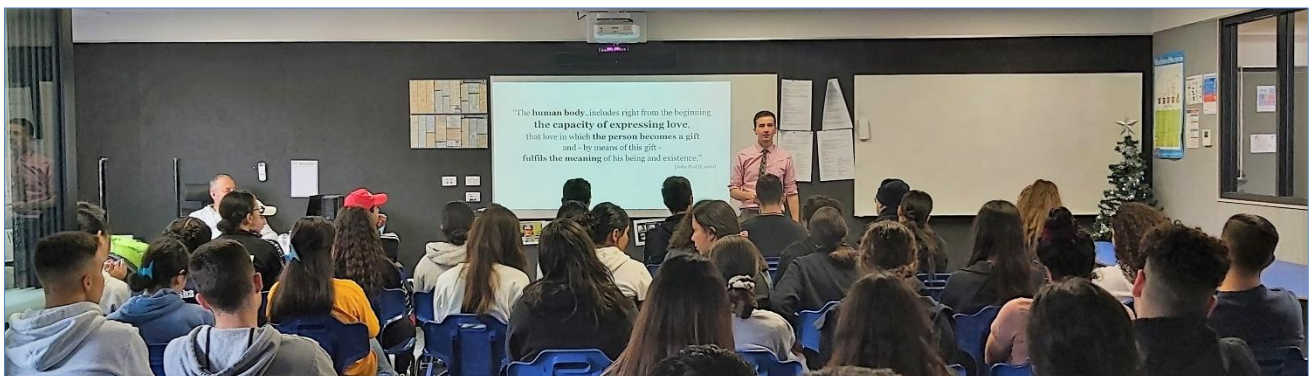
Primary Learning Centre – A fun place to learn!



2 Jade design a pathway and program a Bee-Bot to get from start to finish in digital technology.



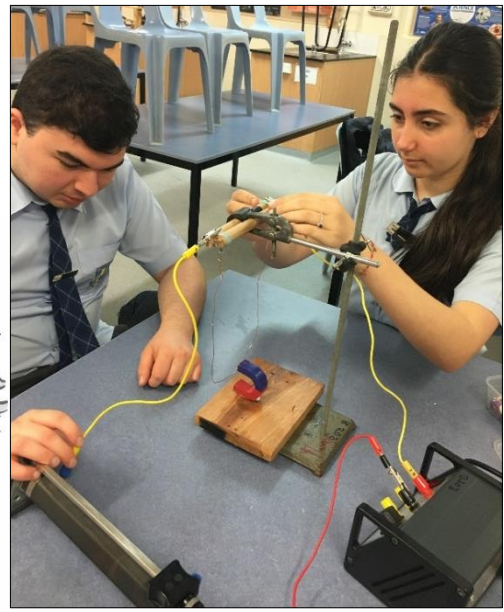
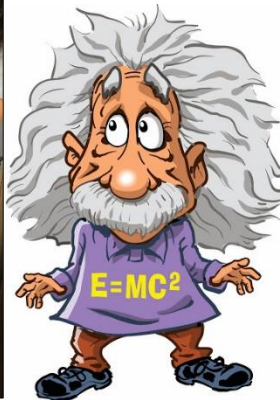
This week, Year 11 continued with their RE pastoral sessions. Mr O'Connell and Mr Hayman presented a talk on the theology of the body. The talk focused on the selfishness of sin and how this moved us away from being able to love.



9B students getting into the Christmas spirit. Can we wait for Christmas? NOOOOO!!! BRING IT!



Year 12 Physics learning about Motor Effect.



Last week year 11 undertook a team building session. This continued on with a pastoral focus on year group collegiality and being able to work together and problem solve with others. The task was to build a bridge with the materials given, which would be judged by the homeroom teachers based on their practicality, aesthetics and ability to hold the most weight without breaking. The students should be congratulated on their efforts.



Co2 dragsters ready set and go as fast as a lightning strike! Year 7 put their velocity friction and motion knowledge to the test and participated in a race so fast that if you blinked you missed it!



Ms Zaferis' Year 12 Biology class making edible meiosis models.



PARENT CORNER

It's that of year again where the canteen has their annual Christmas raffle.

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Term 4 Live Parent Webinars + Q&A with Elevate Education

We're excited to announce that parents of MCHF have exclusive access to Elevate Education's Parent Webinar Series: **Empowering Parents to Reinforce Study Skills at Home.**

Topics Covered:

Wednesday 18th November – Exam Preparation: Developing a pre-exam roadmap with your child to maximise their chances of success and keep overwhelm at bay.

Wednesday 2nd December – Technology: Understanding the impact of technology on your child's habits and how to develop techniques for responsible device use.

Register here: <https://get.elevatecoaching.info/au/register>

Webinar Format: The webinar will run **online** from **6pm–7pm**. The webinars are live, where the Presenter will share Elevate's key research and skills, plus answer questions so parents can get the specific tools they need.

To contact Elevate directly you can: Call 1300 667 945, Email auscoaching@elevateeducation.com or head to <https://au.elevateeducation.com>

Dear parents and friends, we are constantly looking into ways to ensure our College environment remains a safe place for all to enjoy. College staff, students, parents and visitors are encouraged to report any hazards they may see while on campus grounds. In order to make this reporting process a little more accessible we have created an eform in our SkoolBag App. As always we look forward to working closely as a College community.

If you have changed any of your contact details, including your email address, please remember to *make the change/s through the parent portal.*

This is extremely important, especially at this current time, as you will receive important documentation and urgent messages via email.

It is imperative that road rules are obeyed during drop off and pick up times. The College expects parents who cannot locate a legal car park on the street, to park in the Church car park. Parents should then walk to collect their children from the College grounds and accompany them safely back to their vehicle. Police have been requested to patrol this area after a community complaint was received regarding illegal parking in front of the College.

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