



Maronite College of the Holy Family

NEWSLETTER

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Term 1 - Week 1: Friday, 4th February 2022

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL – Sr Margaret Ghosn

Dear Staff, students and parents/guardians,

Welcome to the 2022 academic year and it is wonderful to be back at MCHF. I firstly would like to welcome all new staff, students and families. I also want to congratulate all on the excellent HSC results. There is plenty in store for us this year and I welcome you all to contribute positively to our family at MCHF. Two main areas we are focusing on this year are implementing our Strategic Plan (2021-2026) and our Master Plan.

Our strategic plan has been launched following an extensive process of data gathering, collaboration and feedback. Please click <https://www.mchf.nsw.edu.au/about/experienced-faculty/> to read all about our five-year plan. We are proud to share our future direction and look forward to working together to achieve our priorities and goals.

We are working towards renovating the block across the road (next to the Cathedral), so that it will become a K-1 block with a contemporary STEM room and art room. We are hoping to complete this by early next year. We are also looking into expanding our playground space this year.

I ask that we all support one another this year and work together as a community. If you have any questions, please direct them to the teachers and Coordinators. Together we can make MCHF a place of success.

OUR IDENTITY

Congratulations to the Y12 (2021) students on their great HSC results. Special mention to the following students:

2021	Name	ATAR
DUX	★ JASON CHAKTI ★	★ 98.55 ★
	Celine Moussa	97.65
	Ashton Tannous	97.20
	Celine Harb	96.50
	Brytney Al-Saiah	95.30
	Kristina Ishak	94.90
	Simon Zaiter	93.75
	Briana Mekary	92.40
	Chanelle Coorey	92.05
	Lana Chamchoum	90.90
	Adrian Harb	89.50
	Mariella Mikhael	88.35
	Elissa El Katrib	88.00
	Christina Kazzi	87.95
	Margaret Sabat	87.60
	Marina Akik	86.25
	Anna Maria Kobti	86.05
	Christina Geagea	85.65
	Ashley O'Brien	85.55
	Lauren Al Hage	83.95
	Raymond Hadchiti	83.10
	Reina Layoun	82.60
	Roula Abou-Chedid	82.35
	Joseph Samya	82.00
	Nina Bousaid	81.85
	Charbel Moussa	81.25
	Chelsea Elias	81.05

On 20th January, the Class of 2021 celebrated their HSC success at their formal. Congratulations and all the best in your future endeavours.



Welcome to our new MCHF Staff - The College welcomes the following new Staff to the College: Sr Margaret Ghosn (Principal), Ms Judy Slattery (HR and Compliance Manager), Ms Catherine Mathews (Leader of Learning – Stage 2), Ms Rima Saab Mapp (Primary Teacher), Ms Shereen Hammo (Primary Teacher), Ms Angela Wakim (Primary Specialist Support Teacher), Mr Clayton Walker (Primary Teacher), Ms Helen Dimitropoulos (Primary Teacher), Mr Charbel Ellias (Secondary Religion KLA Coordinator), Mr Thomas Fredericks (Secondary Music Teacher), Ms Aimee Lee (Secondary English and HSIE Teacher), Mr Charbel Youssef (Secondary HSIE and Religion Teacher), Ms Wenye Feng (Secondary Economics and Maths Teacher), Ms Bianca Sfeir (Secondary COVID ILS Program Teacher), Ms Naydeen D’Cunha (Secondary COVID ILS Program Teacher), Mr Danny Melki (Secondary PDHPE Teacher), Mr Justin Young (Secondary English Teacher), Mr Leon Kita (Secondary PDHPE Teacher).

OUR LEARNERS

Year 7 had a fun filled day, during transition day, learning about all things Secondary. They had the opportunity to ask questions, tour the buildings, learn how to read a timetable and where to go for assistance.

We wish them luck on their Secondary journey.



As of Monday 7th February, the College dismissal times for Primary students are as follows:

Grade	Dismissal Time	Area
Kindergarten	2:55 pm	Infants Playground
Year 1	2:55 pm	Infants Playground
Year 2	3:00 pm	Infants Playground

Year 3	3:00 pm	Primary Playground
Year 4	3:00 pm	Primary Playground
Year 5	3:00 pm	Primary Playground
Year 6	3:00 pm	Primary Playground

Kindy settle into life at MCHF. Look at those big smiles!



OUR COMMUNITY

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Friday, 11th February 2022 – Feast of St Maroun / Honour Day Mass
- Monday 14th, Tuesday 15th and Friday 18th February – Year 8 Learn to Swim Program
- Wednesday 16th February – Photo Day 1 (Years 1-5, 7-11 Individual Photos)
- Friday 18th February – Parent Association 2021 AGM & 2022 Elections (See below)

Students Achievements:

- Congratulations to Wadih Tannous (Year 12) for being promoted to Cadet Sergeant in the ADF Cadets.
- Congratulations to Olivia Bechara (Year 9) for achieving 2nd place in the Pennant Hills Zone Physical Culture (Physie) dance competition. She now progresses to the Nationals held in February.



Staff Achievements: College Principal, Dr/Sr Margaret Ghosn (*above-right*), has published numerous books. If you are interested in purchasing any, you can do so through the Main College Admin Office. You can see a list of her books here - <https://www.mchf.nsw.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/Books-By-Sr-Margaret-Ghosn.pdf>

Special Thanks: We would like to give a special “shout out” to generous families for donating boxes of hand sanitiser to the College. As you can imagine, we go through so much throughout each day and are greatly appreciative.

- ★ Mr and Mrs Maroon and their beautiful children, Helen, Paul and Emmanuel
- ★ Ms Violette Rizk and her little cutie-pie, Napoleon
- ★ St Vincent de Paul Society NSW

Parent Portal: Please note the College is transitioning to a new School Management System called Sentral. This means that the current Parent Portal is no longer active. The new management system will have a new parent portal which will be released soon. Further details will be sent when the portal is ready.

Volunteering at the College: The College encourages and welcomes volunteers to be involved in the learning environment. If you are interested in volunteering, please complete the online Volunteer Induction which can be found by clicking on the link below and scrolling down to the volunteering at the College section.

<https://www.mchf.nsw.edu.au/community/parent-guardians/>

A meeting for all volunteers will be held on Friday 25th February 2022. Further details will be sent soon.

Parent Association: The 2021 AGM and 2022 Elections will be held on Friday 18th February 2022 at 2pm. We encourage and welcome new members to join our association.

Makeup Apprenticeship Needed: A Year 11 student is seeking an apprenticeship in makeup as part of her HSC course. If any of the parents or a member of the community in the industry is happy to support an apprentice student, please contact Mrs Kumar on skumar@mchf.nsw.edu.au

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