

Maronite College of the Holy Family **NEWSLETTER**

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Term 1 - Week 8: Friday, 25th March 2022

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL – Sr Margaret Ghosn

Dear Staff, students and parents/guardians,

Despite the many staff and students absent due to covid and other factors, life goes on. On Thursday, Primary students had a fantastic day focusing on all things STEM! It was hands on, challenging and very exciting for all. I thank the parent volunteers who assisted on the day. We have also seen a great deal of collaboration between Primary and Secondary classes to the benefit of all. The next week our 2 containers will arrive, and all the goods donated will be packed and sent to Lebanon to arrive late May. Thank you all for your donations. We have a few things to look forward in the next weeks including Primary awards, Mass, Stations of the Cross, and the Easter raffle run by the PA.

Our Mother General Sr Marie Antoinette Saade will be arriving in Australia next week and will be visiting our schools. So please make her feel welcome when you see her.



OUR IDENTITY

Congratulations

Maronite College of the Holy Family merit award system involves students achieving 6 merit stamps in areas of curriculum, extra curriculum and personal development, upon which they will receive an All-Rounder award, followed by a Bronze, Silver and finally the Principal's award.

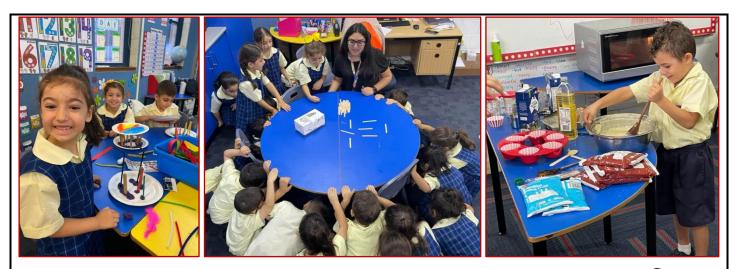
All-Rounder Awards

 Christian Sassine, Frederick Azzi (Kindy) / Anthony Rehban (Year 2) / Isabella Mia Abdou (Year 3) / Sebastian Ibrahim, Tony Khoury, John Yaacoub, Isabella Ishac, Charbel El Hakim, Joseph Chehade, Tony Bou Melhem, Mary Moubarak, Mary Anne Habib, Anthony Khawaja, Charles Karam, Aurora Fenianos, Isha Shabbir, Joseph Layoun, Christian Ibrahim, Jane Andraous, Salma Abou-Azar, Georgia Farah, Angelina Bechara, Tania Zaiter (Year 8)









Example 2 Kindergarten Red having some fun on the play equipment and learning how to be kind friends **Solution 2** Jade use 2D shapes to make animals, looking at the attributes of each shape and the proportion to the creation.



Anti-Bullying Volleyball Grand Final Winners – Yr 9 Girls defeated Yr 12 Girls / Yr 10 Boys defeated Yr 12 Boys.



Ms Esber's Yr 9 Commerce students had the opportunity to teach Yr 3 Lavender students various Commerce concepts. They also took part in a taste testing activity to determine if consumers can distinguish between various brands. What a great experience for both grades! (Below-Left)

1 Green students and Mr Stillen's Year 8 Science class joined together to undertake an experiment in the Highschool Science Lab! Year 8 students loved teaching Year 1 about the chemical and temperature changes that occur when mixing substances. (Below-Right)



Mrs Douaihy's Year 7 Arabic class worked together with Mrs Chalhoub's Year 4 Level 2 Arabic students to complete an identity card in Arabic. Both grades enjoyed the activity!



A little too soon to harvest - Yr 8 Technology students have been working hard, preparing their garden beds as part of their agricultural project. / Over the last couple of weeks, we have been able to send our students out to the amazing facilities at Sydney Olympic Park for their Thursday afternoon sport.



Year 9 Food Technology students have been studying multicultural influences in Australian cuisine. Their brief was to prepare & present their modern influence of a Lebanese Australian breakfast! Bon Appetite! (Below-Left) *Miss Ishak's Year 11 CAFS class conducting interviews as a primary research methodology. (Below-Right)*



OUR COMMUNITY

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday 28th March – Year 6 Transition Session #1 Tuesday 29th and Wednesday 30th March – Years 4-6 Swimming Lessons Thursday 31st March – Year 6 Reflection Day Monday 4th April – Lent Mass (Years K-12) Tuesday 5th April – Year 12 Parent/Teacher Interviews (3:30-7:30pm) Friday 8th April – Stations of the Cross (Years 3-12) **Friday 8th April – TERM 1 ENDS** Wednesday 27th April – Term 2 Begins

Students Achievements:

Congratulations to Badwi Makary (Year 12) on raising \$720 for World's Greatest Shave! Very well done!

Special Thanks:

We would like to give a special "shout out" to Elias Moses (Kindy Rose) for donating \$300 dollars towards the Lebanon appeal. Thank you for your generous donation!

Parent Association Easter Raffle

The PA are organising their first initiative for this year - An Easter Raffle. Tickets are \$1 each are on sale from Monday 28th March 2022. Tickets will be sold every morning in all playgrounds and will be drawn in Week 10. We encourage our parents and students to support our raffle and purchase tickets to be in the running to win one of many Easter hampers.

Thank you in advance to our PA for organising this event and to all those who donated hampers.

PLEASE DO NOT PARK OR PICK UP YOUR CHILDREN IN PRIVATE PROPERTY!

Unfortunately, we have received complaints, from the people who live in the flats near the school, that parents are parking or dropping off/picking up their children in the driveway of the flats. Please note; This is private property and the people who live in the flats are entitled to call the police the next time a parent uses their driveway for personal reasons.

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