

Maronite College of the Holy Family **NEWSLETTER**

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Term 1 - Week 7: Friday, 17th March 2023

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL – Sr Margaret Ghosn

We celebrate the Feast of St Joseph this Sunday 19th March. May the Great St Joseph teach us the value of family, hard work and silent respect.

Dear MCHF community

Fete next Sunday - I would like to thank the very many staff, students and parents who have donated or volunteered to assist with our fete. It is going to be a great event and I encourage all of you to attend. It is one of the very many ways we will be celebrating our 50th Jubilee year.

On Thursday 16 March we had a visit from the NSW Opposition Leader Chris Minns, Bishop of the Maronite Eparchy, Antoine-Charbel Tarabay, Steve Kamper - Shadow Minister for Small Business, Property, and Multiculturalism, Lord Mayor Donna Davis, Mayor of the City of Parramatta, Mr Jason Yat-Sen LI, MP – Member for Strathfield and Ms Julia Finn MP - Member for Granville and Shadow Minister for Sport, and Shadow



Minister for Youth. We were grateful for the commitment of \$200,000 towards solar panels and a College bus. As the State election fast approaches, we trust that the Government that supports freedom of religious expression and upholds cultural and family values, and financially supports catholic education, will win office on 25 March.



Parking during Morning Drop Off and Afternoon Pick Up at OLOL Co-Cathedral

Parking in DISABLED parking space It is important that parents/guardians do not park in disabled parking spaces in the church carpark when they do not have a permit in particular during school drop off and pickup times. Disabled parking spaces are reserved for people who have mobility issues and require the extra space and proximity to the entrance to make it easier for them to access the church.

By parking in these spaces without a permit, you are taking away a valuable resource from those who genuinely need it. Additionally, it is a violation of the law and can result in fines or even have your car towed at your own expense. Therefore, it is crucial that we all make an effort to avoid pages without a valid permit.

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OUR IDENTITY

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: Jacinta Maalouf, Christiana Harb (Year 7) / Mia-Maria Al Helou (Year 9)

This Week's Rep Sport WINS

Senior Boys Oz-Tag - MCHF v St John Paul II = Won 10-5 / Inter Boys Oz-Tag (Quarter Finals) - Emmaus v MCHF = Won 7-6 / Senior Boys Volleyball - MCHF v Parramatta Marist = Won 81-45 / Inter Boys Volleyball (Quarter Finals) - MCHF v St Agnes= Won 66-57 / Jr Boys Volleyball (Quarter Finals) - MCHF v Santa Sophia = Won 80-55 / Senior Girls Volleyball - Marian v MCHF = Won 80-30 / Inter Girls Volleyball - MCHF v Gilroy Gold = Won 69-47

OUR LEARNERS

Crazy Sock Day & Splash of Red Day for Antibullying Week – MCHF says NO to bullies!



"It's very important to choose kindness and stop bullying." – Jacob Tremblay

3 Lavender - Class of the Week! They were super excited!



1 Silver and 1 Gold students focused on teamwork during their Gymnastics lesson. They did so well! MCHF & St Maroun's Combined Year 8 Reflection Day on 13 March 2023



The students in 2 Jade are exploring persuasive techniques in text. They are developing the skills to share their point of view, using powerful persuasive language and effective language features to support their idea. / NAPLAN!!



Year 11 Studies of Religion Judaism Excursion to the North Shore Synagogue in Lindfield The MCHF Open Boys Rugby League Team were victorious at the 'Western Sydney Catholic Schools Rugby League Gala Day'. The day was hard fought, and the team would not have been triumphant if not for the great level of camaraderie on display. Congratulations to the boys and the coaches for the win! Well done!



MCHF Fete: Rides Wrist Bands Pre-Sale: Pre-sale of the wrist bands for the rides for the upcoming Fete are now on sale! You can pre-order your wrist bands from the Main Admin for \$30. On the day of the fete, the cost of the wrist bands is \$35. Make sure you pre-order your wrist bands early!



OUR COMMUNITY

DATES TO REMEMBER ~ NAPLAN still taking place.
Tuesday 21st to Wednesday 22nd March - Years 4-6 Learn to Swim Lessons Thursday 23rd March - PDSSSC Rugby League
Thursday 23rd March - Year 11 Studies of Religion I Christianity Excursion (1pm-3:10pm) Friday 24th March – Year 11 Reflection Day Friday 24th March – PDSSSC Open Football Gala Day

Message from the Fees Department

A reminder that Term 1 fee instalments are due by 31st March 2023. Thank you to all who have either paid their 1st instalment, organized a payment plan, or finalised the main billing invoice for 2023. Please contact the Fee Department if you would like to discuss setting up a regular payment plan.



Parent Association Easter Raffle

The Parent Association are organising their first initiative for this year with its

Easter Raffle. Tickets are \$1 each or \$10 per book and will be on sale from Monday 13th March 2023.

Tickets will be sold in the mornings and afternoons in the playground and will be drawn in Week 10. If you would like to order raffle books to be sent home, please complete the form - <u>https://forms.office.com/r/b8VcsZ0Jzk</u> We encourage our families 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. For any further enquiries, please contact the Parent Association <u>parentassociation@mchf.nsw.edu.au</u>



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