



Maronite College of the Holy Family NEWSLETTER

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Term 1 - Week 1: Friday, 3rd February 2023

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL – Sr Margaret Ghosn

Dear MCHF Community

Welcome to a new academic year which we pray will be full of many blessings.

Please note our new Executive Structure for 2023 will be as follows:

- Executive Principal – Sr Margaret Ghosn
- Head of College – Mr Elie Asmar
- Head of Mission – Sr Irene Boughosn
- Head of Curriculum – Ms Georgette Dalla
- Head of Teaching and Learning – Ms Clare Thorpe
- Head of Wellbeing – Mr Andrew Pearn
- Head of Business Services – Ms Rupa Bala
- Head of Risk and Compliance – Ms Judy Slattery

I also would like to congratulate the 2022 HSC students on excellent results

We hope to soon commence the renovation and refurbishment of the H block into a K-1. We are just waiting for the DA from the Council.

Uniform and Grooming

As the school year begins, I would like to remind you of the importance of uniforms in creating a cohesive and professional learning environment for our students. Wearing the College uniform promotes a sense of belonging and unity among the students as well as preparing students for their future where professional dress is a part of any workplace. Students grooming must also be in accordance to our College Student Uniform and Grooming Policy which can be found on our College website and in the Parent Portal. We have already been addressing some students and their parents/guardians regarding breaches of this policy. We expect parents/guardians to cooperate and adhere to our expectations as we will not tolerate those who refuse to.

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.

OUR LEARNERS

Kindy testing took place this week.



Primary students enjoy their first gymnastics lessons



Mr Youssef's Yr 7 HSIE Class design the four layers of the earth with playdough Our first Secondary assembly for 2023



Year 9 Leadership Workshop during Pastoral this morning.

Year 11 students, listening to a presentation by Mr Asmar on the new College theme: Imagine, Believe, Achieve



We welcome the following new members of staff:

- Andrew Pearn: Head of Wellbeing
- Rosemary Abraham: Year 1 Teacher
- Helaina Dagher: Year 1 Teacher
- Tahira Col: Year 2 Teacher
- Karla Chavez: Year 5 Teacher
- Louiza Sadek: Year 5 Teacher
- Elizabeth Mannah: Primary Learning Centre Supervisor
- Gisel Thomas: Primary Learning Centre Supervisor

- Clare Thorpe: Head of Teaching and Learning
- Marie Harb: Secondary Maths
- Catherine Semaan: Secondary Maths
- Nicholas Jones: Secondary PDHPE
- Diana Sassine Hajje: Secondary TAS
- Sandy Daoud: Secondary English
- Laura Jabbour: Payroll Officer

First Mass of the Year for Staff pictured below



The staff undertook professional development across 2 days, discussing strategic plan, differentiation of lessons, programming, wellbeing etc. / **Combined Executive meeting on 23 January 2023. Members of the Executive from MCHF and St Maroun's College discussed curriculum, welfare and other important matters.**



Keep away from people who try to belittle your ambitions. Small people always do that, but the really great make you feel that you, too, can become great. - Mark Twain

OUR COMMUNITY

~ DATES TO REMEMBER ~

Monday 6th February to Friday 10th February - Year 1-10 PAT Testing (Literacy)
 Monday 6th February – Year 7 Learn to Swim Lessons
 Monday 6th February – Library Skills Lessons Commence
 Friday 10th February – St Maroun's Feast and Honour Day Mass (K-12)
 Friday 10th February – Year 7 Learn to Swim Lessons
 Monday 13th February – Year 7 Learn to Swim Lessons
 Monday 13th February – Parent Association AGM at 2pm
 Monday 13th February – Library borrowing commences
 Monday 13th to Friday 17th February – Years 1-10 PAT Testing (Numeracy)
 Tuesday 14th February – Photo Day 1 (K-11 individual photos)
 Tuesday 14th February – Alumni Association Meeting at 6:30pm
 Wednesday 15th February – Photo Day 2 (Year 12 photos and family photos)
 Thursday 16th February – Semester 1 Secondary Leadership Assembly at 9am

Year 6 Canberra Trip

The Year 6 Canberra Trip will take place Thursday 9th and Friday 10th March 2023. Information about the trip has been released onto the Sentral parent portal.

All fee related emails are
to be sent to
fees@mchf.nsw.edu.au .

MESSAGE FROM THE FEE OFFICE

Fee office has been relocated to the A-BLOCK building. Please direct all fee related enquiries and payments to the A-BLOCK. Office hours are 8am-3pm. Cash and EFTPOS payments will not be accepted on school premises after 3pm.

School Photos

School photos will be taken on Tuesday 14th February (K-11 Individual photos) and Wednesday 15th February (Year 12 photos and Family Photos).

Please place your orders ASAP. See the attached for details. Click the link for orders -

<https://orders.leadingimagesydney.com.au/ordering/access>

Parents who want to order Family Photos can use the same Access Key **745Y5CFR**.

Family Photo orders must be made by 4:30pm, Monday 13th February. Family photos will not be taken unless payment has been made.

"Friend" group photos will not be permitted regardless of payment.

As a College requirement, every student must have an individual photo taken, but parents will only receive copies if they have ordered and paid for them.

All photos will be delivered to the College and distributed to students who have paid for them. Any orders placed after the school delivery will be sent directly to parents and will incur a postage charge per order.

Your School Photo Day is **COMING!**

Tuesday 14th & Wednesday 15th February 2023

Ordering School Photos has never been easier!

How to ORDER ONLINE

- 1 Go to:
www.leadingimage.com.au
- 2 Click "Order Your School Photos"
and select your State.
- 3 Enter your unique school
ACCESS KEY - 745Y5CFR

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With your help, a safer community.

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ONLY stop to drop off or pick up
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Section 168 Road Rules 2014

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Fine = \$362 & Lose 2 Points

DO NOT STOP for ANY reason

Section 167 Road Rules 2014

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Sections 265, 266, 267 Road Rules 2014

Driver Uses Mobile Phone When Not Allowed by Law

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Section 300 Road Rules 2014



NSW Police Force
With your help, a safer community.

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Section 168 Road Rules 2014

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(Not wearing a seat belt or not in a child seat)

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DO NOT talk, text or view your phone while driving.

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Section 167 Road Rules 2014

For more information see: **Road Rules 2014**
<http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/roads/safety-rules/road-rules/index.html>

*Fines are current as of January 2023. Fine amounts change regularly.

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