



Maronite College of the Holy Family NEWSLETTER

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Term 2 - Week 9: Friday 23rd June 2023

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL – Sr Margaret Ghosn

Dear MCHF community, I take this opportunity to thank all staff, students and parents who have contributed to the life of the College this term. It has been a very busy term 2 and the cold weather did not assist. However, there have been remarkable achievements this term. Congratulations to all.

Wishing you all a very safe and enjoyable semester break and I look forward to working alongside you all in term 3.

We are highlighting the many extra-curricular activities that our teachers offer to continually assist our students to develop holistically. Below I have pasted further academic events on offer throughout the year.

Premier's Reading Challenge	Ongoing	Learning Centres	K-9
Max Potential	Term 1-3	Dooley's, Thursday 19 October	11
HSC classes during term breaks	Term breaks	On grounds	Y12
Photography Club - MCHF's Moment Makers	All year	B205 fortnightly meetings	Y9-11
College Expo	December	Secondary Hall	Yrs 5-12
Enrichment Art	All year	B103 / B205 / various college locations	Yrs 7-12
HSIE FAIR	Term 3	Secondary Hall	K-12

- **Primary Athletics Carnival:** This will be held on Monday 26th June 2023. Information regarding this day has already been sent via the parent portal. Please ensure you read over the information to ensure your child is prepared.
- **K-11 Parent Teacher Interviews:** This will be held on Tuesday 27th June 2023 from 8:30am until 6:00pm. Information for this day has been sent to all parents via the parent portal. Please ensure to review the information sent and to finalise your bookings before the closing date.
- **Term 2 Concludes for Students:** Monday 26th June 2023
- **Term 3 Commences for Students:** Tuesday 18th July 2023

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: Stephan Douaihy (Kindy) / Sophia Ishac (Year 2) / George Eskaff, Matthew El Kadi, Louis Azar (Year 3) / Gabriella Fahad, Chadi Haouchab, Violet Zakhia, Joshua Yaacoub, Charlize Ellis, Simon Taouk, Gabriella Elbayeh (Year 8) / Miriam Rahme, Karlo Al-Hindy, Anthony Khoury, Michael Farah, Lily El Katrib, Jonathan Deeb, Elie Al-Ekhtiyar, Angelina Deeb, Christian Ibrahim, Tony Bou Melhem, James Akoury, Elias Aboukaram, Mary-Therese Nassim, Isabella Ishac, Charbel El-Barhoun, Leila Bou Melhem (Year 9) / Andy Sleiman, Marina El-Katrib, Joshua Daoud, Margaret Wakim (Year 10) / Sirine Nakhoul, Jacob Mansour, Christina Khoury, Charbel Habib, Raymond Constanton (Year 11)

Bronze Awards: Ayva Sorbello, Xavier Khoury (Kindy) / Izabela Mia Abdou (Year 4) / Lynn Haddad, Jamie Wakim (Year 7) / Natalia Bazouni, Daniella Ters, Andrew Taouk (Year 8) / Charbel Francis, Isha Shabbir, John Yaacoub, Mia Malouhi, Elias Bechara, Isabella Francis, Genevieve Eskaff, Sacha Ephrem, Dahey Maalouf, Alannah Harb, Mary Anne Habib, Natalie Goodwin (Year 9) / Losyan Jarouj, Jonathan Semaan, Grace El Khoury (Year 10) / Anthony Germanos (Year 11)

Silver Awards: Joshua Nader, Alisha Youssef, Claire Khoury, Andrew Khoury (Year 7) / Angelina Sakr, Raquel Elias (Year 9) / Alisa Saghabi (Year 10)

Principal's Awards: Maria Elias (Year 8) / Audrey Tannous (Year 11)

SPORTS NEWS

Ultimate frisbee- win 9-5 vs St Agnes.
Progressed to the Grand Final.

Inter boys Rugby League- 12-4 vs St Pats Dundas. They are now in the semi-finals.

OUR LEARNERS

Thank you to everyone who attended Wednesday's human rosary for peace. We leave Lebanon, Australia, and the peace of the world in the hands of our dearest Mother Mary and the Lord. / *Public Speak at St Maroun's College*



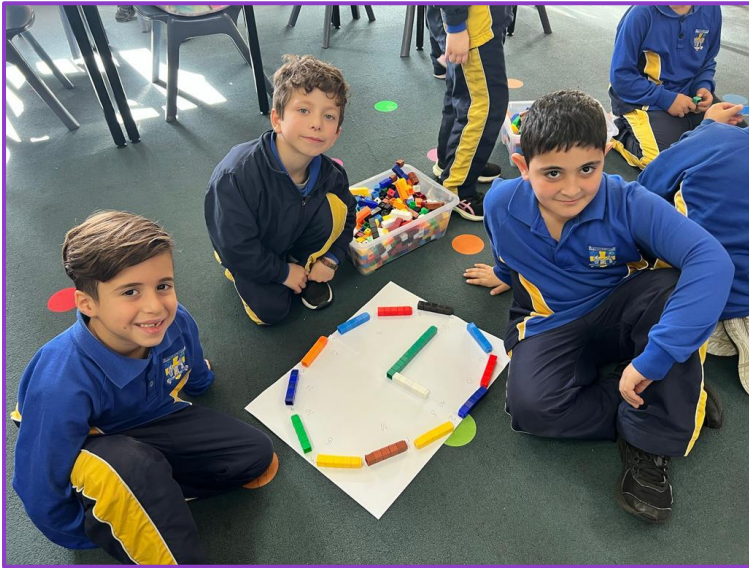
Year 6 Space Expo



5 Sapphire help Kindy White buddies paint 🎨 / *The village volleyball winners were NORTHIES!!!*



**2 Jade learn to read quarter-past and quarter-to time on analog clocks.
Year 7 Technology 2 Learning all about Cotton production IN Australia.**



On Tuesday 20th June, thirty future engineers participated in 'Discover Engineering Day'.



**Mrs Gahdmar's Year 8 English class consolidated a term of Shakespeare learning with A MIDSUMMER CELEBRATION, featuring, My Big Fat Elizabethan Wedding, a live interview with Shakespeare, make up and costumes of Elizabethan times, celebratory food, poetry recitals and a segment called Keeping up with the Capulet's!
Year 11 had a great time performing their monologues for their Drama Assessment.**



The roots of education are bitter, but the fruit is sweet. – Aristotle

OUR COMMUNITY

~ DATES TO REMEMBER ~

Monday 26th June – TERM 2 CONCLUDES FOR STUDENTS

Tuesday 27th June – Years K-11 Parent/Teacher Interviews

Tuesday 18th July – TERM 3 BEGINS FOR STUDENTS

CONGRATULATIONS

The Cumberland Young Champions Awards Ceremony was held last night.

We are so proud to announce our MCHF students, who were finalists in the Fine Arts Junior Division – Mary Semaan (Year 7) and Richard Semaan (Year 5). In the senior division, Jonathan Semaan (Year 10) won the Cumberland Young Award in Fine Arts for the second year straight and Olivia Bechara (Year 10) was a finalist. What an achievement!

ICAS

The International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) is an opportunity for students in year 2-10 to engage in a challenging test of their knowledge in one or more of the following areas: Mathematics, Science, English, Digital Technologies, spelling or writing. For your child to participate:

1. Go to <https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps>

2. Enter our unique school code OAA533, select the papers you want and make a direct payment to ICAS Assessments. Once payment is made Let the Stage Coordinator or KLA Coordinator know by filling in the form linked below:

Primary - <https://forms.office.com/r/EGq4tv7vcv>

Secondary - <https://forms.office.com/r/RUb3NvyZq4>



Whole School Photo

In commemoration of our 50 Year Jubilee, the College will be taking a whole school photo in the first week of Term 3 on Friday 21st July 2023 at 9am. Students are required to be in their school winter uniform on this day – sport uniform is not permitted to be worn. Teachers will make arrangements if their students are required to bring their sport uniform with them to change into after the photo is taken. Please refer to the letter with all the information which was sent to all parents/guardians via the parent portal.

Lebanon Women's National Basketball Team

During the school holidays the Lebanon Women's National Basketball Team will be competing in the Asian Cup which is being held at Sydney Olympic Park. Basketball has become very popular the past few years at our college, and this is a great opportunity especially for all the young ladies who now have the chance to watch high quality basketball games and to have something to inspire to. It would also be great as a Lebanese community to get together and show our support behind the national team. The following games are scheduled for the women's team which include:

- Game 1 – Monday 26th of June Vs China at 1:30pm
- Game 2 – Tuesday 27th of June Vs Korea at 11am
- Game 3 – Wednesday 28th of June Vs New Zealand at 11am

Finals will also follow if the team is successful in the round games. Please spread the word. If you're interested and would like more information, please click the link for tickets etc... Sydney, Sydney Olympic Park Sports Centre - www.fiba.basketball/womensasiacup/2023

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