



Maronite College of the Holy Family NEWSLETTER

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Term 3 - Week 2: Friday 28th July 2023

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL – Sr Margaret Ghosn

Dear MCHF community, this week I met with two politicians:

- On 25 July we met with Donna Davis – State MP for Parramatta.
- On 26 July we met with Andrew Charlton – Federal MP for Parramatta.





MARONITE COLLEGE OF THE HOLY FAMILY

50 Year Jubilee Dinner Dance

FRIDAY 20TH OCTOBER 2023
7:00PM
THE RENAISSANCE GRAND BALLROOM
3 NEW STREET E, LIDCOMBE

\$120PP OR \$1000/TABLE OF 10

TICKETS OR MORE INFORMATION
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On 26 July NESA Inspectors came to do their inspection which takes place every 5 years to ensure the College is compliant in all areas. We will receive the final decision from NESA in September.

NAPLAN – 2023 NAPLAN results were given to students. Parents/Guardians, please ask your child for the envelope.

Congratulations to our students who performed extremely well. Our Years 3 & 5 cohorts achieved above the National Average in all areas: Numeracy, Reading, Writing, Spelling, Grammar & Punctuation.

Students attaining 'exceeding' in at least 3 areas:

Y3: Anthony Bou Assi, Joseph George Makdissi, Daniella Elias, Jaz Sahyoun, Elijah Semaan, Theresa Marie Khoury, Samsara Grace Nehme, Alina Youssef, Isaiah George Tawadrous

Y5: Raphael Cortese, Elizabeth Adele Ayoub, Jamie Lee Boutros, Richard Semaan, Charbel Georges Sleiman, Julian Azar, Antonia Rose Wakim, Layla Bou Francis, Hannah Ghabach, Heavannah Faith Nehme, Bianca Marie Maroun, Zoe May Sahyoun, Julian Basnet, Lucia Grace Saad

Y7: Annalise Khoury, Mary Semaan, Laurelle Sadek, Andrew Khoury, Sophia Marie Khoury, Angelina Khoury, Bernadette

Yaacoub, Isabella Marie Deeb

Y9: Jude Hasham, Zoe Marie Fagerstrom, Audrey Moussa, Peter Al Najjar, Leila Bou Melhem

Over the term there are important events including:

- 31 July the Y12 trials begin
- 14 August we have our Foundation Day Mass and walk-a-thon
- 15 August is our Foundation Day holiday
- 25 August we have our Alumni wine and cheese evening commencing at 7:30pm
- 1 September is Father's Day Mass and morning tea
- 15 September Y12 Graduation Mass and ceremony
- 18 September visit of the Patriarch Rai to the College

On 28 July 4 of our senior students and Ms Michael headed to WYD with the Sydney Archdiocese. We keep them in our prayers as they keep us in their prayers.



Mr Hassarati will be ordained a priest this Saturday 29 July at OLOL Co-Cathedral. We pray that he will be a priest in the image of Christ. All are invited to attend.

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: Ava Botros (Year 1) / Fady Sadek (Year 3) / Jude Hasham, Rebecca Boustani, Sebastian Ibrahim, Jane Andraous (Year 9)

Bronze Awards: Gabriella Helou (Year 8)

Silver Awards: Patrick El Katrib (Year 7)

The 4th Maths Olympiad was held today. Jason Azar (Yr 8) impressed us once again with a score of 3 out of 4. Annalise Khoury (Yr 7) also got an impressive 3 out of 4. Well done to all the students who participated. Looking forward to the final Olympiad.

OUR LEARNERS

Kindy Red learning about adjectives (wow words).

Year 7 working together during Pastoral, today, to develop their teamwork and communication skills!



1 Gold learnt about symmetry by making 2D shapes with playdough and cutting them symmetrically.
2 Jade Learn about Mass



3 Orange are class of the week! Well done! / 1 Gold students learnt about parallel lines and created their own!



**Year 7 Science students working on animal and plant cell models. The best works will make it to the Science Fair.
Year 9 boys and girls were separated, during Pastoral, and had meaningful conversations about respecting one another and promoting positive body image and wellbeing. The heart felt session was amazing!**



**Ms Michael's Years 11 and 12 Economics students voluntarily come to school extra early to complete practice tests.
Mrs ISHAK'S Year 10C PDHPE class having some meaningful discussions about consideration towards others and minimising risk-taking behaviour. So proud of this group!**



Jerome Francis completed a school holiday Drama workshop at Excelsia College and the rest of Year 12 Drama completed a three hour rehearsal for their upcoming Practical exam.

Year 11 Biological Diversity Study Day Excursion



Year 7 learning hand embroidery, as they design a tote bag inspired by the 50th Jubilee of the College.

Mr Youssef's Year 7 HSIE classes learnt to excavate archaeological sites using a toothpick and chocolate chip cookies.



Well done to our under 14 girls rugby league team. The girls progressed through the Katrina Fanning Cup Parramatta stage to make the Western Sydney Finals and unfortunately lost on the bell in the semifinals.

Thank you to last Saturday's team of big-hearted students for sharing their gift of caring with the homeless.



OUR COMMUNITY

~ DATES TO REMEMBER ~

Friday 28th July to Friday 11th August – WYD Portugal Pilgrimage

Monday 31st July to Monday 14th August – Year 12 CSSA Trial Exams

Tuesday 1st August – Parramatta Eels Cup 16s Rugby League

Friday 4th August – Transfiguration/MacKillop Mass

Monday 14th August - Foundation Day Mass and College Walkathon

Tuesday 15th August – FOUNDATION DAY HOLIDAY

Tuesday 15th August – Parramatta Eels Cup 16s Rugby League (Round 2)

Wednesday 16th August – Wellbeing Wednesday

Wednesday 16th August – Primary English ICAS Assessment / Year 11 PDHPE First Aid Incursion

Thursday 17th August – Primary Book Fair Opens

Friday 18th August – Lockdown Drill #2 / Premier's Reading Challenge Concludes / Science Fair Day

Celebrating Childrens Book Week

READ! GROW! INSPIRE!

K-6 BOOK FAIR

Commences Thursday 17th of August and Concludes Thursday 24th of August.

Students will have the opportunity to create a wish list, which will go home, before purchasing items from the fair.

K-6 BOOK PARADE

MCHF Book Parade will take place on **Monday 21st August at 8:50am, Infants Playground.**

Students and Staff will be given the opportunity to dress up as their favourite character and march around carrying the corresponding book of their choice! There will be Fun Activities, Certificates for best Dressed and Prizes to be won!

Parents are invited to attend this event.

Year 12 Fees

A reminder to please ensure all Year 12 school fees are finalised before graduation. Failure to do so will result in students not participating in the graduation and formal.

50 Year Jubilee Dinner Dance

By request of management, we kindly request no guest under 16 years of age.

Maronite College of the Holy Family (formerly Our Lady of Lebanon College) is inviting all staff, parents, alumni, and members from the wider community to the College's 50 Year Jubilee Dinner Dance.

Date: Friday 20th October 2023

Time: 7:00pm

Venue: The Renaissance, Grand Ballroom

Tickets: \$120 per person or \$1000 (table of 10)

The evening will include live Arabic and English entertainment plus much more.

For tickets or for more information, please contact the College 9633 6600 or media@mchf.nsw.edu.au

We look forward to celebrating this special milestone with you all.

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