

Maronite College of the Holy Family

NEWSLETTER

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Term 3 - Week 5: Friday 18th August 2023

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL - Sr Margaret Ghosn

MCHF DAY OF AI WINNERS!!! The Day of AI was developed by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), i2Learning, CS in Schools, and UNSW to introduce students to the knowledge and skills they need to thrive in a world that will be powered by AI. 19,600 students around Australia signed up for the 2023 Day of AI. For the second year running, MCHF students have claimed multiple category wins in the 2023 DAY OF AI.

Congratulations to our winners!

Year 8 - Rene El Khoury, George Esber - FIRST PLACE

Year 10 - Angelina Franjie, Rebecca Franjie - 2nd Place

Year 5/6 - Anderson Ghosn, Pedro Makari - Equal 2nd Place

Savannah Anjoul, Angelina Moussa - Equal 2nd Place

Julian Basnet, Alexander El Khoury - 3rd Place

A massive thankyou to Ms Gahdmar, Ms Sharbeen, Ms Nguyen and Ms Naboulsi!





Obeying Road and Parking Rules

Over the last couple of weeks, we have been receiving complaints about parents double parking, parking in bus zones and parking in drop off zones and leaving their cars unattended. These incidences are impacting the traffic flow in the mornings and afternoons. We expect parents to adhere to the road rules and not display aggressive or unacceptable behaviour if addressed. Thank you to parents who obey the road rules to children's safety.

Message from the Bishop

I would like to propose that your school organises a **Mufti Day or a gold coin donation drive this term,** with the funds raised to go towards our appeal for students in Maronite schools. This initiative will help raise funds in addition to fostering a sense of unity among our students here in Australia and those in Lebanon, to emphasise the value of education and access to it. This is a good opportunity for us to also demonstrate that action here can transcend geographical boundaries and create positive change.

Over the term there are important events including:

- 25 August we have our Alumni wine and cheese evening commencing at 7:30pm. See flyer below.
- 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

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: Marcus Khattar, John Sahyoun, Charbel Tannous, Ava Saghabi, Adrielle Naime, George Khoury, Noah Ibrahim, Olivia El Khoury, Sia Eid, Evangeline Bou-Melhem, Sienna Aoun (Kindy) / Jaz Sahyoun, Mariebelle Baaklini, Christian Ishac (Year 3) / Anastasia Ishak, Eligh Nader, Angela Hobeiche, Zayn Akkaoui, Taleen Jehdian (Year 4) / Simon Bazouni (Year 5) / Raphael Semaan (Year 8) / George Malkoun, Rihanna Ellis, Olivia Bechara (Year 10) / Pieta-Mia Al-Hindy, Christelle Joukhadar (Year 12)

Bronze Awards: Mary El Zaouk (Kindy) / George Esber (Year 8) / Kaylah Daher, Dania Nakhoul (Year 10) / Joe Hage, Raymond Constanton (Year 11)

OUR LEARNERS

MCHF College Walkathon with a groovy 70's theme! Thank you to the parent volunteers for feeding us!



A little progress each day adds up to big results. - Satya Nani

To finish off their Walk-A-Thursday, 5 Sapphire met up with their Kindy White buddies to build an artwork out of recycled materials in which they had been collecting.



Primary Book Fair





On 14 August 2023, John Elia (Construction), Margarita Harb (Hospitality), Angelina Kassis (Retail Services) and Sed-Rita Aflak (SBAT Beauty Services) were awarded the "Rotary Youth Vocational Awards". The "Rotary Youth Vocational Awards" initiative recognises the achievements of young people attending schools in the City of Parramatta local area, completing their VET courses as part of their HSC. Congratulations to the deserving students, as they have demonstrated exceptional skills in their respective areas and would be an excellent addition to the industry in future. / Year 11 PDHPE/SLR First Aid Training





Last Saturday, our amazing Year 10 social justice leaders represented our school and Maronite ethos by serving, praying and conversating with our brothers and sisters in need.

The parishioners processed with the statue of Our Lady, into the College grounds for a decade of the rosary.





OUR COMMUNITY

~ DATES TO REMEMBER ~

Monday 21st August – Year 10 Immunisations (Year 7 catch-ups) / Lockdown
Drill / ICAS Science Assessment / Book Week / Primary Book Parade
Wednesday 23rd August – College Tour (11am-12:30pm)
Thursday 24th August – Evacuation Drill
Friday 25th August – Year 9, 2024 Subject Selection @ 9:00am
Monday 28th August – HSIE Fair / PDSSSC Athletics Carnival
Tuesday 29th August – Years 9-12 Visual Arts (Archibald) Excursion / Year 10
Religion Incursion

Wednesday 30th August – ICAS Maths Assessment Wednesday 30th August to Friday 1st September – Year 9 Camp Thursday 31st August – 2024 College Leaders Speeches (9am) Friday 1st September – Father's Day Mass & Morning Tea

Message to Year 6 Parents/Guardians

Year 6 parents/guardians are to please finalise their \$250 fee by the end of term.

K-6 BOOK PARADE

MCHF Book Parade will take place on **Monday 21**st **August at 8:50am, Infants Playground.** Students and Staff will be given the opportunity to

dress up as their favourite character. During the march, students will walk around carrying the corresponding book of their choice! There will be Fun Activities and Prizes to be won! *Parents, please come and join the fun!*







