



MARONITE COLLEGE OF THE HOLY FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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Term 3 – Week 4: Monday 4th August 2014

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL – Sr Margaret Ghosn

Into our fourth week of term 3 and the Winter has many of us battling the cold. However we march on and pray for much needed rain. We also pray for the many victims of terrorist activities and victims of war. In the meanwhile movement is happening around the College with office relocations. You will now find the Principal's office located in the main administration building. We hope to turn the other office into a meeting room. Our College has also been busy with 'The Block Competition' where every class was busy making an impression and all buildings were revolutionised!

R.I.P. Sadly the father of Wilson Njeim (Yr 10) passed away recently. We keep the family in our prayers.

DOING THE ROUNDS

Dates to remember - <http://www.olol-college.nsw.edu.au/events/>



Students from K-4 took part in the Protective Behaviours program – its focus is on everyone Feeling safe, Being Safe and Talking about it. The program is based on two themes:

We all have the right to feel safe all of the time

Nothing is so awful that we can't talk about it with someone.

For further details of the program or how you can assist your children in becoming more aware of safety issues, please contact Mrs Raffoul, Welfare Coordinator – Primary.

Secondary Athletics Carnival held 21/7 and awards ceremony on 24/7 with guest Israel Folau. Congratulations to the blue team on their victory at the athletics carnival.



The Block Competition – where each block competed to make the best improvements to their classrooms. In Primary 1st place – D block, 2nd place – E block and 3rd place – F block. In Secondary 1st place – C block, 2nd place – A block and 3rd place – B block.



Infants and Primary Disco run by the SRC and held on 1/8/14



Mr P Tuaileva launched his political career on 4th July - He is being backed by the Catholic Church in Tonga. He has thanked the College for giving him the inspiration to serve, in particular Sr Irene and he thanked Sr Margaret for donating laptops to the needy schools in his constituency. He needs 700 votes to win Tonga tapu 4. We wish Mr Tuaileva the best of luck in the elections in Tonga.

Yr 11 students attended the 'Start the Switch Summit' 30th to 31st July, organised by the AYCC (Australian Youth Climate Coalition) in partnership with Parramatta City Council at the Granville Town Hall. They were accompanied by Mr P Julius.

Premiers Reading Challenge deadline is 22nd August -



enter your reading log on the website and if you have not received your password yet, see Mrs Korkor in the library before the end of the week.

CONGRATULATIONS

Honour Board Awards - Congratulations to the students who received Honour Board Awards. Their work is displayed in the Primary Hall. From Kindy: Christian Kabalan, Rafqa Kanaan, Charles Karam & Joseph Chehade. Yr. 1: Chloe Nakhoul, Makayla Bazouni, Suzannah Al-Alam & Kaylah Daher.

ICAS Science Results - Congratulations to Angelo Sleiman who achieved a Distinction. A Credit was achieved by: Samir Sawaqed, Mark Alam, Robbie El-Bazouni and Gabrielle Baker. Merits were awarded to: Josef Boumelhem, Ashton Tannous and George Attie. Congratulations on their remarkable efforts.

Congratulations to our new Parent Association committee: Chairperson - Salma Germanous, Secretary – Sally Germanous and Treasurer - Nada Khoury (interim Najla Massoud). Volunteer members include: Katerina Najim, Emma Nemer, Suzy Franjie, Maggie Nakhoul, Adell Yaacoub, Lilly Louis Sleiman, Marie Rose Moussa, Arze Abi Khattar, Carol Merheb, Joan Faddoul, Sally El Katrib, Anthony Moussa, Ramza Bazouni, Alice Salame Ghannoum, Dian Tannous, Nancy Wehbe, Jiselle Fares, Fayrouz Fares, Jamel Al Helou, George Joukhadar, Maya Bousaid, Rania Nassim, Lucia Bou Nasr.



Congratulations to our mock trial team and coach Ms S Wakim who ranked 74th out of 185 schools.

Congratulations to the senior boys rugby league team on winning their Hill Cup Grand Final 14–8 over Gilroy College. The boys remained undefeated all season and were a pleasure to coach. Thank you to all the teachers and students who supported them throughout the season. - Coach Mr M Abood



Girls' Frisbee Team defeated St Agnes 7-1. Well done to all the girls. – Coach Mr P Julius

Junior Girls Oztag team defeated St Andrews 4-1. The girls played tremendously well as a united team. Players of the match went to Salima Doeih, Tatiana Nehme and Chloe Wakim. – Coach Ms S Wakim

Michelle Mereb and Anthony Harb from Year 8, both achieved a very impressive 5 out of 5 in the 3rd Maths Olympiad - Congratulations to both of these very talented students and a big thankyou to Ms Sen for her time and effort in training the Maths Olympiad group. – Ms Macura

All Rounder Awards – Yr 9: Mary–Therese Anjoul, Evita Francis, Anthony Haykal, Mary Issa, Gabriela Lahood, Sarah Lichaa, Matthew Matouk, Charbel Tasipale, Tigerlilly Wakim, Charbel Yacoub, John Yacoub

Bronze award – Yr 7: Charbel Feghali, Marius Younes, James Nol. Yr 8: Elias Boumelhem, Donna El Barhoum, Kristal Elias, Nicolas Fajloun, Mema Yacoub Yr 9: Evana El Darjani, Sandy Yacoub

Silver Award – Yr 7: Rita Attie, Mimo Nassar, Danni Makari, Anthony Al-Douaihy, Vanessa Youssef, Alana Lichaa. Yr 8: Jenny Moussa, Lara Makary

Principal's Award – Yr 7: Rita Laba.

PARENTS' NEWS

Kindy 2015 – if you have not yet enrolled your child for Kindy 2015 please do so soon.

Bringing NAPLAN home: NAPLAN (the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy) is a national test undertaken by Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 students, designed to provide information on your child's literacy and numeracy achievements. . . Sometime in August and September you will receive your son or daughter's NAPLAN report. I encourage you to read the report in the context of what you already know about your child's academic performance and in conjunction with other assessment information you may already have received from your child's school: www.nap.edu.au/results-and-reports/student-reports.html NAPLAN student report is a point in time snapshot of your child's achievements in the important areas of literacy and numeracy. . . Evidence shows that a well-rounded education, including the pursuit of other activities such as sport and art, contributes to the development of literacy and numeracy knowledge and skills. - Robert Randall Chief Executive Officer, ACARA

In order to ensure consistency of College policies from K-12 the following procedures will be put in place beginning Term 4 – Primary students will receive a uniform detention after receiving three warnings from staff. Afternoon detention will be given to students who have received three detentions in a term.

Mathletics and Reading Eggs update - Thank you to all parents who attended the Parent Information Session on 17/7/14. All students should have received their student log in details now if they have paid for both programs. To assist your children with their use at home please ensure that you log on through Google Chrome. iPad apps can be downloaded through the iTunes apps store. Note access through a computer is more detailed than via a tablet device. The websites have useful introduction video clips and information pages which explain the programs.
http://app.readingeggs.com/help/6291541/home_movie
<http://www.3plearning.com/training/mathletics/guides/>



Athletics Carnival - K-6 students are preparing for the Primary Athletics Carnival on Monday 11th August. Please ensure all payments and permission slips are finalised this week.

Parent Volunteers - Thank you to all parents who are continuing to volunteer in classrooms this term. Your assistance is invaluable, especially in Literacy and Numeracy groups. Please contact your child's teacher if you would also like to assist.

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