Library News

Ms. Christine Golz

Please encourage your children to return the library books for the end of the term and continue to ensure your child brings their library card everyday to school to enable them to borrow books from the library.

A reminder that our library is open: before school from 8.00 and after school till 4.00 o’clock every day.

We are also open: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday lunch-times for Primary & High School Tuesday and Thursday lunchtimes for Infants.

Happy Reading

Year 12 Chemistry Excursion

Ms. Vivienne Gilkes

Year 12 Chemistry enjoyed a ‘dam’ good day at Warragamba Dam. The first session included a tour of the dam and viewing of the new $150 million spillway.

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ter.

Kindergarten Report

Ms. Marie-Claire Haswea

Kindergarten attended their first excursion on Wednesday 28th May. We visited the Sydney Aquarium and the Sydney Wildlife Centre at Darling Harbour as part of our Human Society and Environment unit: Places We Know.

The Kindergarten students had a fantastic day and they were all so well behaved. They had the opportunity to experience the habitats of several different animals as well as seeing some important landmarks that we had discussed in class such as the Centre Point Tower and the Harbour Bridge.

After leaving the Wildlife Centre we discovered that a little butterfly visitor had made one of the Kindergarten’s hat its home and had come back on the bus with us for a trip to Punchbowl. As the children fell asleep on the bus after an exhausting day our little friend flew out the window and out of our lives forever.

Thank you to all the parent helpers who assisted on the day. We look forward to our next Kindy adventure!

P & F News

Mrs Rosemary Geagea

* Congratulations to Fadia Abou Saleh (one of our secretaries) who was nominated to represent the Inner West Region for The Sydney Federation of Catholic School Parents.

* We will be having snack stalls for both sports carnivals (children are still required to bring their own lunches).

* The High School Disco scheduled for the last Friday of Term has been postponed till the first week of Term 4.

Thanks and God Bless

School Fees

Second instalment for school fees is now due.

Payments may be paid in cash, cheque, EFTPOS or credit card.

Hope to see you all soon in the Accounts Office

Rector’s Message

Rev Fr Antoine Tarabay

As the days shorten and the air grows colder, the earth is given rest and renewal; we celebrate the first days of winter. The College has been enjoying a rare moment of quiet these past few weeks as it prepares for the upcoming excitement and rush of the Maronite 08, Maronite Expo and World Youth Day 2008. Tickets for the Maronite 08 Mass can be obtained free of charge – please register at St Charbel’s Monastery or contact 9750 6000 for more information.

The Holy Father’s inaugural visit to Australia coincides with WYD08 events in Sydney. His Holiness will arrive to Sydney Harbour via boat-a-cade on Thursday, 13 July (2.45pm), and celebrate the final Mass on Sunday, 20 July (10.00am) at Southern Cross Precinct, Randwick Racecourse and Centennial Park. This is a momentous occasion and a call to renew our faith in Christ on 1 June 2008, and dedicate this month to the adoration of our Saviour. This feast heralds God’s passionate love for us and gives reverence to the heart of Jesus as a source of that love.

In anticipation of the completion of the new building and opening of 12 extra classrooms, St Charbel’s College’s capacity has increased. Therefore we are accepting enrolments for Years 7 to 12 for 2009.

Enrolment application student testing will be held at the College on Tuesday, 17 June for all year groups. Parents who are intending to apply for enrolment in 2009 for their child will need to contact Ms. Mary Arraj (Registrar) on 9750 8455 to register for the test by Friday, 13 June 2008.

We celebrated the Feast Day of the Sacred Heart of our Lord Jesus Christ on 1 June 2008, and dedicate this month to the adoration of our Saviour. This feast heralds God’s passionate love for us and gives reverence to the heart of Jesus as a source of that love.

“Ever loving God, open wide our hearts so that we might know better the many gifts your love sends us. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.”

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UPCOMING EVENTS

June

Thu, 19 Primary Athletics Carnival
Fri, 27 Year 8 Retreat
Mon, 30 Secondary Athletics Carnival

July

Fri, 4 Primary Semester 1 Awards
Sat, 5-11 Reports
Tue, 8 Term 2 Concludes: ALL

Sun, 13 Maronite WYD Commenes

Mon, 15 WYD Closing Mass
Thu, 17 Holy Father arrives
Sat, 19 St. Charbel’s Feast Day
Sun, 20 WYD Opening Mass

May

Mon, 28 Term 3 Commences

Wed, 29 Secondary Semester 1 Awards

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Stage 1 Coordinator  Mrs. Melissa Gogool

The Year 1 Students’ study of the senses brought representatives from the Ephpheta Centre to our classes to demonstrate the art of sign language. The students took part in a workshop to discover ways of communicating without their sense of hearing. The students learnt how to sign different greetings and emotions and they really enjoyed the experience.

Year 1 Students demonstrating “I love you” in sign language.

Stage 2 Coordinator  Mrs. Mary Anton

YEAR 3 SHERIFFS

The following students received a Certificate of Appreciation for taking on the role of Sheriff during Term 1:

3A: Mary Mansour, Jacinta El-Atzi, Charbel Azzi, Annya Hanna, Justin Adni, Daniel El-Atzi, Anthony Ayoub, Jack Klumpp, Melissa Matar, Christine Farah, Anthony Melham

3G: Celine Ayoub, Fred Ayoub, Mitchel Ayoub, Melissa Nassour, Emily Jaa Jaa, Charbel El-Kazzi, Ryan Hart, John Eid

3C: Tiana El-Hosni, Anthony Khoury, Selene Azzi, Chris Deeb, Charbel Achmar, Chloe Barakat, Alex Khoury, Crystal El-Hosni

Silver Co-ordinator’s Certificate

Congratulations to the following students who were recognised by their class teacher to have shown Excellence or Improvement in Numeracy in the classroom.

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Stage 3 Coordinator  Ms. Elizabeth Woodin

Mother’s Day

Congratulations to the SRC on their enthusiastic and diligent organisation of the Mother’s Day Raffle in Week 2. Thank you to Miss Chaita for purchasing the prizes and raffle tickets and to Mrs Chaita and Mrs Gerges for donating prizes to be raffled. A special thank you to the many staff and students who supported the SRC. Your enthusiasm is much appreciated. We hope all mums enjoyed their special day.

The winners of the raffle: Samar Assaf & Tia Najem (Year 1), Jacinta Azzi (Year 2), Shania Saad (Year 3), Lara Chandiac (Year 4), Daniel Haddith (Year 5) and Stephanie Chaita (Year 6).

Year 6

The Year 6 has recently returned from a fantastic two day excursion to Vision Valley. The students conquered their fears in many adventurous activities, including: Abseiling, Canoeing, Rafting, Leap of Faith, Giant Swing and Rock Climbing. Thank you to Miss Woodin, Mr Love, Ms Andreou and Mrs Taylor for attending the camp and to the Year 6 students who participated enthusiastically in all activities and conducted themselves beautifully throughout the camp.

Congratulations

Daniele Khalil: Chosen to represent Australia in a Dancing Festival in America in 2009

Catherine Azzi: A recently-appointed St. John Ambulance Cadet