# ST CHARBEL'S COLLEGE NEWSLETTER



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Principal's Message - Rev Fr Maroun Youssef

Lebanese Independence Day is the national day of Lebanon which is celebrated each year on November 22. It commemorates the end of the French mandate over Lebanon.

St Charbel's College marked 75 years of Lebanese Independence in which our very talented students performed and celebrated Lebanon's National Day.

It gives me great pride and pleasure to have shared this day with our College. We thank and congratulate the teachers and students who organised the assembly and we pray for peace and reconciliation in our homeland, Lebanon.













#### Maronites on Mission—Community Service—Miss Nancy Loulach

On Sunday, myself and a group of Year 12 students were involved in community service with Maronites on Mission. We assisted in preparing food and made our way to Parramatta to feed the homeless.

Students said that the experience was initially confronting, however by the end of it they were enlightened. They said that it was a positive experience which changed their perspective and by serving others, they felt like they had made a difference. They also mentioned that the experience allowed them to appreciate and be grateful for everything that they have.

Thank you to Mr Shalala for allowing us to be a part of this.

It's amazing what can be accomplished when we serve others with Christ in our hearts.











# **Modern History Excursion**

HSC students who are studying the new Modern History syllabus visited the Sydney Jewish Museum a couple weeks ago, for a closer investigation of the past.

Students mentioned that it was a very educational and insightful day, and a great experience for them. It also helped the students to develop their knowledge of history.











### Acting Careers and VET Coordinator—Mrs Andrea Panteli

The attached flyer is a great opportunity for any student or HSC leaver who is interested in a Pool Lifeguard Traineeship position in Western Sydney.

Interested students can either send their resume to <a href="jupton@austrg.com.au">jupton@austrg.com.au</a> or call the office on 02 9704 1519 and ask for Jade Upton.

This is a great opportunity for any student who may be interested in going into the Sport and Recreation Industry as they finish high school or if they are interested in gaining a qualification alongside a part time job.





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### Announcing the launch of the Microsoft Traineeship Program

Microsoft is proud to launch the Microsoft Traineeship Program, which aims to support over 150 people take their first steps into a technology career.

Commencing with a pilot in Sydney in 2019, the Program will combine a Certificate IV in Information Technology and Microsoft Certifications with paid work experience. This combination of knowledge and experience will set students up to embark upon a successful career, as well as help address the technical skills shortage in Australia. Working with strategic delivery partners MEGT, Prodigy Learning and TAFE NSW — as well as the network of Microsoft partners around the country — Microsoft aims to create a new pipeline of exceptional IT talent. For Microsoft partners and customers interested in hosting a Microsoft Trainee, this is an opportunity to get access to new and emerging talent from a diverse talent pool.

For aspiring trainees, this program provides an excellent foot-in-the-door to an exciting and rewarding career in IT. For more information, head to https://news.microsoft.com/en-au/features/microsoft-traineeship-program-overview/







#### **Creative Arts Faculty - Mrs Maryrose Maatouk**

Come along to the Opening Night of the St Charbel's College Creative Arts Expo for 2018, on Wednesday 28th November, from 6pm until 7:30pm, in the Multi-Purpose Hall.

Support our students and view their amazing works, and the tremendous effort the staff and students have put into it all!



#### Library (K-12): Mrs Christine Golz/Mrs Simone Cullinan

#### **Reminders:**

- Student textbook lists have been handed out for Years 7 to 10.
- If students wish to purchase textbooks from Yorke Educational Centre please fill in the textbook form and return to the library WITHOUT MONEY.
- The Library will accept unpaid orders until Friday the 30th of November 2018. No forms will be accepted after this date. Instead please purchase on Wednesday, the 30th of January 2019, from 8.30 until 12.00, or order on line.
- A representative of Yorke Educational Centre will be at the school on Wednesday, the 30th of January 2019,
   from 8.30 until 12.00, selling textbooks, filling orders and taking payment for orders.
- All year 12 students should return their books to the library to allow book bonds to be released
- Please ensure students return library books they have borrowed for the end of term





### Director of Primary (K-6) - Ms Maree Kelly

The two week swimming program for the Primary School finished today. The program was a success with the students learning many skills that will keep them safe in the water.

Tuesday 13 November was an Orientation Information evening for all the parents of students starting Kindergarten next year. It was heartening to see a large turnout of parents supporting the school and their children.

Tuesday 20 November was an Orientation morning for the 2019 Kindergarten students. They settled in well and took part in many activities, including making an 'I am ready for School' hat. The teachers were very impressed with the children and parent feedback was very positive, with several parents remarking that their child wanted to come back to school the next day!

The St Charbel's staff look forward to welcoming all the new Kindy students to our school next year!

<u>Important note:</u> The system for ordering school stationery and text books has been changed for 2019. The school has ordered all supplies that are needed next year and the cost will be added to the school fees. Students will receive their resources at the start of next year.





صباح الخميس الواقع فيه ٢٢ تشرين الثاني، احتفلت مدرسة مار شربل بعيد استقلال لبنان الخامس والسبعين. بدأ الاحتفال بالنشيد الوطني الذي قدمته جوقة المدرسة. وقدم طلاب الصف الثاني كلمة عن معنى العلم. سمعنا بعدها كلمات شعر أرجعتنا إلى لبنان شرح فيها طلاب الصف الرابع معنى وأهمية الوطن. وقامت مجموعة من تلاميذ القسم الإبتدائي عمل مسرحي يفسر معنى الإستقلال.

وقدم الأب مارون يوسف كلمة عن معنى الإستقلال.

والدبكة اللبنانية كان لها حضور حيث ختم الاحتفال برقصة دبكة على أنغام أغنية "يا حجل صنين" للسيدة فيروز.

كل عيد أستقلال وأنتم بخير.



الصَّف الثاني - ألوان العلم



جوقة المدرسة - كلنا للوطن للعلى للعلم



من القسم الإبتدائي- قصة الإستقلال



## Primary Arabic Coordinator—Mrs Nada Kazzi





كلمة الأب مارون يوسف

الصَّف الرابع - شعر: الوطن



الدبكة: يا حجل صنين

من نشاطات الصف الثاني، ومن محور السوق، قدم طلاب الصنف الثاني أغنية "يا بو مرعي" للصفوف الثانوية. وكانت المبادرة مفرحة وقيمة لجميع الطلاب.



الصف الثاني: يا بو مرعي.





# St Vincent de Paul Society



#### Sydney Vinnies Van Services (SVVS) Christmas Appeal 2018

In everything I showed you that by working hard in this manner you must help the weak and remember the words of the lord Jesus, that He Himself said, 'it is more blessed to give than to receive." Acts 20:35

At this time, most people are thinking about holidays, celebrations with family and friends, and gift giving. Sydney Vinnies Van Services is a homelessness food service. This service aspires to provide compassion, support and a sense of community through good works and companionship to those difficult living conditions. As part of the St Vincent de Paul Society Christmas Appeal, we seek your assistance in putting **Snack Packs** together for people in our community who would otherwise be unable to celebrate the season of the birth of Christ.

To ensure that we receive an equal amount of desired goods, each class has been allocated specific items. We ask that you only donate the items assigned to your child's class. Please bring in the allocated item by Thursday 29/11/18. Generic brands are acceptable.

Item ( see examples below)	Class
Le Snack	Kindergarten
Packet of Candy Canes	Year 1
6 pack Juice poppers	Year 2
Muesli Bars (pack of 6)	Year 3
Chips Multipack or Fun Mix Chips	Year 4
(x 20 in packet)	
Fruit cups	Year 5
Jelly Cups	Year 6
Navy adult caps	Year 7
Black adult Caps	Year 8
Christmas Iollies (Individual packs)	Year 9
Christmas Cards ( Pack of 5)	Year 10



Thank you for your generous donations to those most vulnerable within our community.

Every day in NSW the Society helps thousands of people through home visitation, hospital visitation, prison visitation, homeless services for men, women and families, migrant & refugee assistance, support for those living with a mental illness, supported employment services for people with intellectual and other disabilities, Vinnies Shops, overseas relief, budget counselling and youth programs.



#### **Primary Sport Coordinator - Miss Catherine Zalloua**

With the term almost over, it is still happening for Primary Sports! We are now at the end of our two week swimming program. The students have had a great two weeks of fun and skill development!

Next Wednesday the students from Years 3-6 will be participating in their Primary Swimming Carnival. Just a few things to remember:

- Students must wear their sports uniform with a t-shirt representing their colour house.
- Hat and sunscreen are a must
- Bring a healthy lunch and recess and plenty of water!

Parents who attend on the day will get the opportunity to take their children home from the carnival. If this is so, you must go to the recording table to sign your child out.

I understand that carnival days are fun days that create opportunities for you to get some great videos and photos of your children, however, we must respect the privacy of others and legislation. Please do not video your children while they are swimming or take photos of them. Thank you for your cooperation.

Hopefully we have good weather and a fun and enjoyable day!







# **Enrol Now for 2019**

# Learn Music on the keyboard at School

Great songs! Musical activities! Cool music knowledge!



♪ Competitive rate - \$29 per session 
♪

(GST incl. Please do not forward payment to the school office.)

■ Instrument not required initially

To enrol, please call 9411 3122 or visit www.learnmusicatschool.com.au

Limited vacancy!

Violin Incl. Piano (VIP) Music est. 1984 www.learnmusicatschool.com.au





# Parents: Are you registered for LOOP?

**LOOP** is the easiest way for you to order and pay online for your child's Book Club order, if you wish to pay by credit card.

Parents who are registered for **LOOP** receive exclusive sneak peeks, downloads and offers throughout the school year-don't miss out!



Head to scholastic.com.au/LOOP and register today!

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# **Book Club LOOP**

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform.

It's easy to order and pay online for your child's Book Club order using your credit card. If your school is not yet in the LOOP, speak with your school's Book Club Organiser.

# Head to scholastic.com.au/LOOP





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information on titles and some great resources, such as videos and reviews. HOME | ABOUT | REGISTER | HELP

Click on ORDER and enter the item number from the Book Club catalogue.

LOOKING FOR MORE PRODUCT INFORMATION? 7 - Isen No.

All orders are linked directly to the school for submission to Scholastic. Books will still be delivered to your child's classroom if you order by the close date.

> Thats it! There's no need to return paper order forms or payment receipt details to your school.

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# SALE! 15% OFF

# All St Charbel's Primary and Secondary School Uniform

FROM 13th NOVEMBER TO 27th NOVEMBER 2018

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# SAOUMA'S SCHOOL WEAR

SHOP 2/200 THE BOULEVARDE PUNCHBOWL, 2196 (97503276)



# **REMINDER**

It is of utmost importance that the photography and video permission form is returned to the school ASAP.

# facebook

The College is ensuring that many events and messages are being advertised through our Facebook page. Please take the time to check us out. Additionally, there are times pictures of students are used. If you do not wish for your child's picture to be used please inform the College by emailing your request to info@stcharbel.nsw.edu.au

All parents are invited to send any details or pictures of their children's exceptional honours in activities like: arts, music, sports, and so on!



# **Morning Supervision**

Access to the College grounds will be centralised through the 'Kiss and Go' and Monastery gate from 8am only. There will be NO supervision for any students prior to 8am, for their own safety and wellbeing. Also please be mindful that it is dangerous to use the driveways to U-turn.

# **SCHOOL FEES**

Please ensure all overdue and final school fees are finalised ASAP.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

# **November:**

**Tue 27 Year 7 2019 Orientation Day** Wed 28 **Years 3-6 Swimming Carnival** Fri 30 **Year 6 Graduation Mass** 

## **December:**

Mon 3 **Year 6 Graduation Ceremony** 

Tues 4 Whole School Mass Wed 5

**Secondary Awards Night** Thurs 6 **Secondary Sports Award Ceremony** 

**Primary Award Ceremony** 

Fri 7 **Last Day for Students** 









Weldon Children's Services is offering a before and after school care program at St Charbel's College which commenced. Weldon has been operating before and after school programs and vacation care programs for families for more than 30 years. The St Charbel's program is running on-site from the Multi-Purpose Hall.

Information about our onsite program can be provided by contacting the Weldon Head Office at:

Telephone: 8741-0500

Email: kids@weldon.com.au

The hours of operation will be as follows:

Before School Care: 6:30am until 8:20am (Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays)

• After School Care: 3pm until 6:30pm

Vacation Care: 7am until 6pm

Our programs offer a range of activities suitable for school aged children. We provide breakfast in the mornings and light nutritious snacks in the afternoons.

The school office have enrolment packages and information about our programs.

#### Kids @ Weldon:



Before & After School Care Contact Details:

**Centre co-ordinator:** Mary Azzi

**Centre Number:** 0418 735 976

Email: stcmcs@weldon.com.au

