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Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Assalamu alaykum wa Rahmatullhi wa Barakaatuhu

As Term 1 draws to a close I would like to wish all families a peaceful and relaxing holiday. The two-week holiday is an ideal opportunity for students to recharge their batteries, reflect on what they have achieved so far and start planning for Term 2.

MFHP had an extremely busy and eventful Term. The following are snap shots of just some of the activities our students participated in, this term.

Harmony Day

On Tuesday, 19th March we celebrated Harmony Day. Harmony Day is about celebrating differences, embracing new cultures and making sure that everybody is included in society, as well as celebrated for their uniqueness. As a school and a community, it is vitally important that we acknowledge that together we are so much richer for what each of us brings and contributes to the community. At MFHP, we recognise the importance of togetherness, kindness and celebrating diversity. It was wonderful to see so many children dressed in their national costume or in orange, celebrating their cultural heritage. We appreciate the effort parents go through to source these sometimes difficult to find items. At our Harmony assembly, I loved how our students displayed pride in their cultural backgrounds and were eager to share their cultural understanding with all that attended.

At the conclusion of the assembly, all students shared a cultural meal with other students to embrace diversity.



The Australian National Maritime Museum

Years 3 and 4 had the opportunity to visit The Australian National Maritime Museum where they learnt about Australia's history before and during Aboriginal settlement. Students were kept busy during the unpacking suitcases lesson on migrants.



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Rouse Hill Farm and House

Years 5 and 6 experienced what life was like for people at Rouse Hill Farm and House in the past.



Gymnastics

The kindergartens acquired a lot of skills during their gymnastics sessions this term.



Billy Carts Incursion

As part of the Maths, Science and Technology curriculum, Year 7 students have been given the opportunity to participate in a Billy Cart incursion. This incursion helped students understand the forces that are needed to move an object. Students also experimented with the creation of a billy cart and what ways help to create a fast-moving billy cart. Students had many trials and errors in the process of learning how to create a successful Billy cart.



Swimming Lessons

Year 1 - Year 8 students participated in swimming lessons.



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National Day of Action against Bullying

On Friday 15th March, all students participated in bullying week. Each student participated by decorating a hand to place on the bullying mural wall. All students were able to give a hand on that day by carrying out several activities rostered by the roll teacher in home room.



International Women's Day- 2019

High school had a small assembly on 12th March to mark the importance of this day. A day to celebrate women's achievement and raise awareness against bias. We had two special ladies address our students.

Aisha Ali is a fourth-year Law and Political Science student, who began performing spoken word poetry in 2015. Her work got featured by ABC News and Daily Telegraph in 2017. Aisha was one example of the importance of women's achievement in our society.

Natalie, a representative of LMA also addressed our students in terms of raising awareness against bias. She is passionate about helping other women realise this potential in loving and accepting their bodies and carries that enthusiasm to all work she does.



Elizabeth Farm

Year 1 and 2 enjoyed their hands on experience at the Elizabeth Farm. They were all able to experience the difficult life style in the past by washing clothes with their own hands, writing with a feather and ink, playing games made out of wood (which only the rich people could afford). The excursion was enhanced with the students doing presentation on old and new toys in the class.



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Year 8 Geography excursion

Our Year 8 students were combined with Beaumont Hills students and carried out a Geography excursion to Warragamba Dam on Friday, 8th March. This excursion was part of Geography study for the topic "Water". They completed all components of their field study using their practical booklets to investigate water resources and issues at Warragamba Dam. Students were required to collect information from Warragamba Dam and write a report in class under exam condition.



Year 9 Science excursion

The Year 9 students undertook an excursion to Bicentennial Park at Sydney Olympic Park to study an ecosystem. During this excursion, students studied the biotic and abiotic factors and collected

data from the fieldwork and developed a conclusion to see if wetland is a well-managed Ecosystem or not.



Liverpool court house (18th March)

As part of the stage 5 program for commerce, students were asked to attend the local courthouse to strengthen their understanding of the proceedings that occur within the courthouse. At the courthouse, students had the opportunity to listen to multiple cases and their outcomes. It was a great opportunity for the students to learn about the cases that occur in the community around them.



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Year 11 Biology excursion to Long Reef ecosystem



Food technology

With our new Food technology room, students have ended this month with great meals being cooked in class that mirror the Australian cuisine and have ended it with the typical Aussie BBQ. (Sausage Sizzle)



Our students have enjoyed planting herbs and vegetables.



Year 7- 11 Elevate Education Study Skill workshop

Elevate workshops were presented by university students who have recently faced and aced high school themselves. Presenters were able to relate to our students from a student's perspective, spoke the same language as our students, and got them thinking about study skills from a fellow student's perspective.

Different classes were offered different programs.

Year 7 and 8 participated in Study Skills Kick Start, Year 9 students participated in Junior Time Management and Year 10 and 11 students had the program called Study Sensei.



Go Active Tri Sport Tournament

The girls in year 7-10 participated in a Tri-sport tournament on the 4th April with the LMA GO-active, where they competed against other



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schools. The girls won round one and two and made it to the semi-final.



Universal Cooks

The LMA (Lebanese Muslim Association) held a universal cooks program for the kindergarten to year 11.

The junior years were involved in fruit and vegetable tasting. They then took part in the nutrition talk about healthy life styles.

The years 7-11 participated in a cook off in the food technology room. Students whipped up wonders in the kitchen, creating mouth-watering dishes that satisfied the stomach.



Christchurch fundraiser

MFHP held a cake store 5th April to raise funds for our Christchurch Victims. \$936.15 was raised. Thank you to all that supported this cause.



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April 8th – Yr 9, 10 & 11 excursion to Parliament house



SRC members had morning tea with Anne Stanley Local MP



Car park and Road Safety concerns

You may have noticed that we have had to put 2 staff members on duty, one in the morning and one in the afternoon in Carpark 1 to minimise the safety risks. It is extremely important that you use this

carpark correctly. The following is some of the ways you can minimise the safety risks.

Avoid double parking as it is illegal and unsafe, park your car rear to kerb, drive in the correct exit lane, avoid parking at the curve where a car behind you will not be able to overtake on a double line, avoid parking outside or inside neighbours driveway and do not drive over kerb to park in a non-designated carpark area. Such as, the grass or walk way area. This will minimise traffic congestion during pick up and drop off time and most importantly minimise safety risks.

Car Registration details for incorrect parking will be taken and reported.



April 9th – Wreath laying at Hyde Park (student leaders)

April 9th – Cross Country Yr 7-10

April 9th – Aspire Role Model Poet Yr 9 & 10 competition

April 11th – Kids NRL League tag event 9-2.30pm at Browns Farm Reserve

April 11th – Boys Raw Challenge

April 1- April 11 – Parent teacher interviews

April 12th – Themed Mufti day Community Helpers

Term 2

Term 2 begins on Tuesday 30th April. Staff will be attending their Staff Development Day on Monday 29th April and will be engaged in professional learning.

In closing, on behalf of the staff of Malek Fahd Hoxton Park I wish you an enjoyable holiday. We look forward to seeing everyone's eager, cheery faces next term. Best wishes!

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