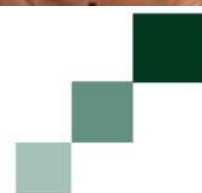




THE MCE TIMES



Thursday 20th April 2017

Dear Parents

Welcome back to the Summer Term; I hope that you managed to spend some quality time with your children during the break. Traditionally the Summer Term always goes by quickly as it is packed with events, so do please keep an eye out for the key dates below and on our website.



House T-Shirts

Our House T-Shirts are now ready to be ordered by parents. A letter will have gone home today in your eldest child's bag. Please note that the House T-Shirt is a part of the College uniform and will need to be worn at upcoming Inter-House events.



Hats on the Playground

Now that the weather is rather warm, it is essential that all students come to school with a hat to wear during break and lunchtimes as well as for PE lessons. We will give one week's grace, after that it will be 'No hat, no play!' so do bring those hats into school.



Nuts, nuts, nuts!

May I remind parents that MCE is a nut free environment. This is due to a number of our children having severe allergic reactions should they come into any sort of contact with nuts or products containing nut traces. Please can you check carefully what your child's snack or packed lunch has in it. We greatly appreciate your cooperation with this. **PLEASE NOTE NUTELLA CONTAINS NUTS!**

AUGUST 2017						
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Academic Calendar 2017-18

Our calendar for the next academic year is now on our website. Please note that some religious holidays may be subject to change due to government alterations.

<http://malverncollege.edu.eg/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/2017-2018.pdf>



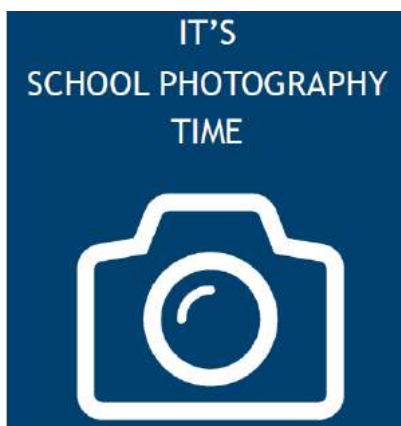
Ramadan Timings

Ramadan begins on the 27th May. As a result, the school day will be from 8.30am until 2pm every day. There will be no CCA's once Ramadan begins. A more detailed academic timetable will be given to all students shortly.



Wearing of Security Badges

Please can I ask you to wear your ID badge at all times when in school. This is about safeguarding your children and is extremely important.



School Photograph – Ordering

I have negotiated an extension to eth 10% discount for school photographs until Wednesday 26th April. Some orders have already arrived at school and they look fantastic. If you are having difficulties in ordering your photographs, please follow these instructions. . To place your order online, please go to www.pret-a-portrait.net and enter your sitting ID in the box on the right side of the webpage.

You will then see the online shop on the right side of the page and your sitting folder(s) on the left.

Please click on the folder you wish to view the pictures from. This will expand into showing you all of the pictures from your sitting.

When you are ready to place your order please select from the 4 tabs at the top of the page (DIGITAL FILES, PRINTS, MULTI-IMAGE PICTURES OR MORE). From here choose the product you would like to go for and click onto the 'CHANGE OPTIONS' drop down menu. This will allow you to choose size, framing or resolution options. Next click on to the green 'CHOOSE' button.

You will now see a page where you can highlight the photos you wish to add to this product. Highlight these by clicking on them. Once chosen, the 'ADD TO BASKET' option will go green. Click onto this to go to your order summary.

You can continue to shop by using the back arrow or go straight to the checkout.



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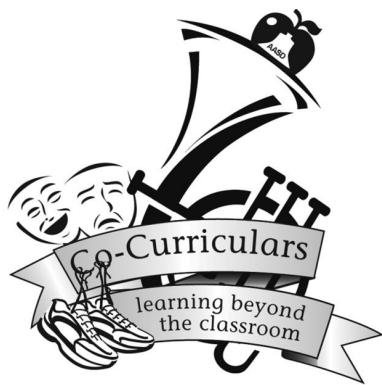
You will be asked to create an account or login using your account details if you already have one.

Do this and follow the stages all the way through to the payment.



Parents Signing in at School

Please can I ask all parents who come into school to sign in at the main reception desk. This is so that we know how many people are in the building in case of an emergency of fire. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.



CCA Payments for Term 3

Please note that the deadline to pay for Term 3, co curricular activities was the 20th April. Any child who has not paid now will not be permitted to enter the activity. This also will apply to instrumental lessons. The sessions need to have been paid in full, up front before the course begins.



FoMCE -International Day at MCE – Friday 5th May 1pm – 4pm

Tickets for International Day

Thank you to everyone who has already requested tickets for International Day. Your tickets will be issued to the eldest child in your family as soon as possible. Please contact Lamees Daya in Admissions if you don't receive them in the first few days.

We currently have around 700 people signed up to attend; it promises to be a fantastic community event. We have a limited number of tickets left, if you still haven't requested yours then we have extended the deadline until Monday 24th April. This will be the last chance to request them at

jacqueline.belcher@malverncollege.edu.eg or get an extra copy at Reception.

2nd Hand Books, Dvds and Toys Needed

Please donate any unwanted but good quality items for sale at our International Day event. They can be handed in to reception or brought to Room F45 (3M classroom).



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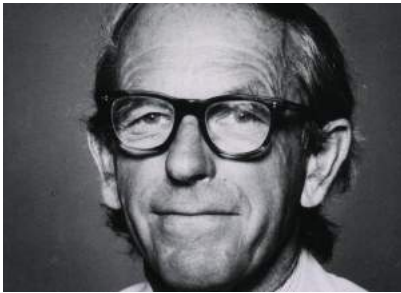
Help on the Day

The Friends of Malvern College Egypt would really appreciate your help taking part in the event no matter how small. Please contact Mai Sharawy at mai@radamis.com

Contribution to Stalls

If you would like to contribute to our stalls, please contact Doha El Ghazali - doha.elghazali@se1.bp.com

Your contribution may just be a financial one to help pay for the food, however we'd love you to get involved with cooking or serving food on the day too - even if its not for your own nationality.



Sanger Non-uniform Day - Thursday 6th April

Congratulations to our students and parents for raising 3503LE for Sanger House Charity on the last day of the Spring Term.



The Malvern Qualities

I ask you to discuss these with your children to reinforce what we are trying to achieve at the College. The focus next week is Humility below.

Humility

Having awareness of one's strengths and abilities but with a sense of modesty. Recognising the distinction and benefits of a Malvern College education, making the most of the opportunities it provides and understanding with sensitivity and humility that others do not enjoy the same advantages.



Recycle Egypt Challenge – Rec 2017 – Lewis House Take an Early Lead

Lewis House have taken an early lead in our recycling competition. This is the first recycling championship between schools in Egypt. Pupils and the wider College community are invited to collect **aluminium** for recycling, such as rinsed drink cans, clean aluminium food packaging and foil. These can all be crushed and collected in the special, labelled bins at the front of the school and put the cans into the correct coloured bin for your house. The recycling will then be weighed each week so we can see who is in the lead. The championship will be held from now until mid-May and it will be an excellent opportunity for our pupils to engage with helping the local and global environment. There will be prizes for the competing schools so if we win we can use this to set up further recycling projects within the school. If you like any further information about the RCE challenge please visit www.recycleegypt.com or contact Nicola.maher@malverncollege.edu.eg. Let's truly embrace Malvern Green!

Upcoming Events

Please note that these dates do change as we add more fixtures and charity events.

APRIL	EVENT	TIME
25	College Closed - Sinai Liberation Day	
May	EVENT	TIME
1	College Closed - May Day Holiday	
2	Ministry Exams Begin	
4	International Dress Up Day	
5	International Day	13:00 - 17:00
9	Inter House Sports Day Nursery & Reception	08:00 - 09:40
10	Inter House Sports Day Year 1 & Year 2	08:00 - 09:40
11	Inter House Sports Day Year 3 upwards Maadi	TBC
16	School Production Dress Rehearsal	
17	School Production May 17	15:00
18	Lewis House Free Dress Day	
21-24	College Exam Week	
24	CCA's End	
25	College Closed - College Holiday	
27	Beginning of Ramadan	

Enjoy the holiday with your children.

Duncan Grice
 Headmaster, Malvern College Egypt
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Primary School News from Johnnie Kittermaster – Head of Primary

Once again it will be a busy term with lots happening. Today Year 3 are off to the Pharaonic Village to enhance their learning and soon Reception are off to Al Azhar Park under the expert guidance of WESC.

We will enjoy Sports Days, Inter house Swimming and of course International Day on May 5th which will be great fun. Next Thursday the Primary School will hold their Malvern College Egypt has got talent competition and already I have seen some great acts from dancers and singers to a hula hoop act and a magician!

Learning at Malvern College Egypt should be fun and interesting however we do have to test your children and we will be having assessment week which will take place from 21st-24th May, before Ramadan. Ramadan hours will be from 8.30am until 2pm.

I would like to welcome two new members of staff. Miss Leen will be teaching music to most of the classes in the Primary School. She is an experienced practitioner who demonstrates a passion for music and comes with excellent references. Miss Rana joins the Nursery team as a Co Teacher in Miss Curtis' class and brings with her good experience and a sense of fun.

As temperatures are rising may I remind you to ensure that your child comes to school with a full water bottle, a hat and wearing sunscreen. We will be starting a no hat, no play rule so it is very important that your child has their hat in school.

I look forward to another successful term.

Reception Cooking from Dalia Salam – Reception A Teacher

Reception children put on their chef's toques this week to make delicious chocolate chip cookies. We had the opportunity to cook them in our fantastically facilitated food technology room. As part of our mathematics curriculum the children have been practising counting and number sequencing and really enjoyed dropping chocolate chips into the cookie dough.



Year 3 Pharonic Village Educational Visit from Jacqui belcher and Warren Stewart – Year 3 Teachers

As part of our topic on Ancient Egypt, Year 3 enjoyed a very interesting trip to the Pharonic Village. As well as having a lot of fun, our children learned some very interesting bits of information to help with their understanding of how people lived in Egypt in the past.



Best wishes
Johnnie Kittermaster
Head of Primary, Malvern College Egypt
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Secondary School News from Wayne Maher – Head of Secondary

It was clear this week that many students had a very relaxing holiday and it took some of them a little while to get used to the early mornings again!!! However, many students have been incredibly active and already getting involved in many activities, from physically looking at the DNA of a Kiwi fruit in Year 8 science to touch rugby, in classes and as part of the ever varied CCA programme.

After the success of the Student Council's first ever event, the MCE's Got Talent contest, the team have had their first meeting of the term and have been discussing more events and activities that our students would like to see. We encourage all students to speak with their class Student Council representative about any areas they would like to see developed at the College. Petras, the Student Council Prefect, will then work with Ms. Leggett (who has kindly offered to give time to supporting the Student Council) and myself to review the student suggestions and see what can be done to make them into reality.

Term 3 is a short but very busy term. Not only do we have our first ever International Day and School Production students will also soon be taking their end of year examinations. Although more information will be shared with all parents very soon about the structure of the examinations week, I would like to draw your attention to a few key points:

Examinations will begin, for most students on Sunday 21st May (Year 9 will start their examinations on Thursday 18th May).

All students should be starting to revise now (I know some have already started this process).

We will share a timetable of the examinations but this does not prevent students from approaching their teachers for any additional advice or work should they feel they need it.

Revision can take many forms and students should be encouraged to try a range of activities that would help them with this (from note taking to listening to pod casts and reading extra materials to creating mind maps).

Teachers will share details with their classes about the examinations being set in their subject.

The Ministry Examinations in Arabic, Social Studies and Religion are due to take place next month. Although the dates are yet to be confirmed by the Ministry, the indication is that these will start for some year groups as early as 6th May. For year 6 and 9 these examinations are obviously quite critical and we want to help our students as much as possible to be prepared and achieve their best grades. As such we have made some changes to the student timetables and the following extra lessons will take place next week (on top of the students' usual ministry curriculum classes):

	Arabic / Religion	Social Studies
Year 6	Monday 24th April – Period 2 Thursday 27th April – Period 4	Sunday 23rd April – Period 2 Wednesday 26th April – Period 2
Year 9	Thursday 27th April – Period 6	Sunday 23rd April – Period 5

Best wishes

Wayne Maher

Head of Secondary, Malvern College Egypt

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Sports News from Iain Driscoll – Director of Sport

As we start the new term we begin the build up to our first annual Malvern College Egypt sports day. This will take place at the Maadi Olympic stadium on Thursday 11th of May for students in Year 3 - 9. Our younger athletes in Nursery through to Year 2 will have their sports day the same week but it will be held at school. Students in Years 3 to 9 selected their events this afternoon and will have the opportunity to perfect their technique in lessons over the coming weeks. More details regarding both events will be shared with you shortly.

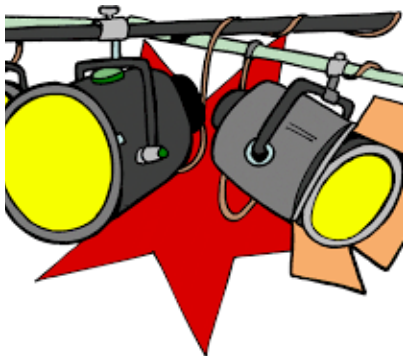
With the arrival of the warmer weather, swimming lessons will start again on Sunday in both pools. Please ensure your child has their swimming kit for their lessons. I also recommend that they put on suntan lotion before coming to school. As for PE lessons, students should also bring their water bottles and hat with them too.

I am delighted to be able to share with you that one of MCE's Lions swim squad, Mohamed is currently competing at the Egyptian National Swimming competition. Mohamed has been working very hard in the build up to these and in his most recent meet before this, secured a number of medals in the pool. Below is a photo with Mohamed proudly wearing his medals!



Kind wishes
Iain Driscoll
Director of Sport, Malvern College Egypt
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Music News from Tina Marsh – Director of Music



School Production

This is to remind everyone that rehearsals will be on Tuesday and Wednesdays during CCA times. There will also be additional rehearsals at break and lunch times. Students need to check the music department notice board daily for these. In addition there are 2 Saturday rehearsals on 6th and 13th May. 9:45 - 3pm. Please return your letters to Mrs. Marsh. It is important that we have 100% attendance at all rehearsals. The show will be in Wed 17th May, more details about tickets to follow.

Best wishes
Tina Marsh
Director of Music, Malvern College Egypt
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CCA News from Sally Madden – Co-Curricular Activities Coordinator

It was great to see all the students taking part in the Co-curricular activities on the first day back at school after the break. Please can you check that your child has the right kit and knows which CCAs they are participating in. If you need any clarification then you can check with your child's tutor. Unfortunately due to some uncompleted work on the Swimming pool there has been a delay to the start of the swimming CCA. Swimming will now start next week.

Please be reminded that the deadline for changing CCA is Wednesday 26th April and this is subject to availability. There will be no changes allowed after this date. Unfortunately no refunds can be given to CCAs that have already been paid for.

Parent Activities

There will be a week delay in the start of the Parent Activities and they will now start the week beginning 30th April for 4 weeks until Wednesday 24th May. A letter will go out early next week with the confirmed prices and I would like to apologise for any inconvenience. If you are interested in signing up then please email me: sally.madden@malverncollege.edu.eg

Date and time	Activity & Description	Cost
Sunday at the Indoor Gym 8.00 – 9.00am (5 weeks)	BODYATTACK™ run by Dessy Grice in the Indoor Gym BODYATTACK™ is a high-energy fitness class with moves that cater for total beginners to total addicts.	TBC
Monday 8.30 – 9.30am (4 weeks)	French lessons with the Cairo Language School (continued from last term)	TBC
Tuesday at the Indoor Gym 8.00 – 9.00am (4 weeks)	Body Balance run by Dessy Grice - A very enjoyable activity and ideal for anyone and everyone. Body balance is a yoga-based class to improve your mind, your body and your life.	TBC
Wednesday 10.00 – 12.00am (5 weeks)	Cooking Club Run by parents for parents this club is for any parents who would like to learn cooking dishes from different countries. Parents will organise their own ingredients	Free
Thursday 8.00 – 10.00am (4 weeks)	Spanish run by Susana Romani This course is for parents who have taken the Spanish beginners class in Term 2	Free (donation to charity)
Thursday at the Indoor Gym 8.00 – 9.00am (4 weeks)	Body Pump run by Dessy Grice	TBC