

## IMPORTANT DATES

November

**Sunday 26th**

Year 3 Trip to Wadi Degla

**Tuesday 28th**

U16 Boys Football @ NCBIS

**Wednesday 29th**

U13 Boys & Girls Football  
@ BISM

**Thursday 30th**

Prophet's birthday

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December

**Wednesday 6th**

Open Morning for  
Prospective Parents

**Wednesday 13th**

Pre- Nursery –  
Year 2 Winter Concert

**Wednesday 13th**

Year 2 – Year 10 Winter  
Concert

**Thursday 14th**

CCA's End

**Tuesday 19th**

Reports Issued to Parents

**Thursday 21st**

Foster House Dress Up Day

**Thursday 21st**

Term 1 Ends – Half day  
finish

# THE MCE TIMES



Thursday 23 November 2017

Dear Parents and Friends of Malvern College Egypt



### Change to the Calendar

The Prime Minister yesterday announced that the Prophet's birthday will be celebrated on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November. As such, the College will now be closed on that day.



### Shoebox Appeal

You may remember that this time last year we started our *Shoebox initiative*. This initiative is for the benefit of Egyptian children less fortunate than the children here at MCE. We would encourage your family to collect some hygiene items, some educational items and some toys that will fit into a shoebox. These

shoebboxes will then be distributed to children at the Al Shaimaa Primary School.

Please look out for the letters going home which will explain this initiative and what to do in more detail.

### Hazards of Parking on the Service Road

I strongly recommend that you look to park elsewhere when visiting the College. A lot of cars are now using the incomplete service road and travel past the College at high speed. Please be very careful if crossing this road.



### Dining Room

We have a nutrition committee who sit to discuss any issues related to the dining room. Please forward any specific complaints/praise you may have via [Inas.Eldeeb@malverncollege.edu.eg](mailto:Inas.Eldeeb@malverncollege.edu.eg) so that we can discuss them directly with Lite Bites. Please do not use any other channel of communication as these will be ignored.

### Parent Information Session - The Dangers and Positive use of Social Media

I was amazed, shocked and saddened this week to see only 4 parents attend the most important parent information session we hold. Social media is not just for parents of teenagers – your young children will be teenagers before you know it. You need to be aware of the dangers in advance.



Do you know what social media sites your child is on? Do you know what chatroom they are in? Do you know who they are talking to online? Do you know what they are posting online? See below for statistics of very personal information that our children are posting online.

#### Personal info posted to social media profiles: Gender and age

*% of teen social media users within each group who say they post the following to their social media profiles ...*

	Teen Social Media Users	Boys (a)	Girls (b)	Teens 12-13 (a)	Teens 14-17 (b)
Your real name	92%	92%	92%	89%	93%
A photo of yourself	91	89	94	82	94 <sup>a</sup>
Your interests, such as movies, music, or books you like	84	84	85	81	85
Your birthdate	82	81	83	79	83
Your school name	71	73	69	56	76 <sup>a</sup>
The city or town where you live	71	73	69	67	72
Your relationship status	62	62	61	50	66 <sup>a</sup>
Your email address	53	57	49	53	53
Videos of you	24	27	21	25	24
Your cell phone number	20	26 <sup>b</sup>	14	11	23 <sup>a</sup>

Source: Pew Internet Teens and Privacy Management Survey, July 26-September 30, 2012. n=802 parents of teens ages 12-17 and 802 teens ages 12-17. The margin of error for teen social media users is +/- 5.1 percentage points.

If this has alerted you to the dangers of social media and you would like us to run the session again, please contact [Inas.Eldeeb@malverncollege.edu.eg](mailto:Inas.Eldeeb@malverncollege.edu.eg)

### Winter Concert Travel Arrangements

If you are travelling home with your child, please email [Inas.Eldeeb@malverncollege.edu.eg](mailto:Inas.Eldeeb@malverncollege.edu.eg) by the end of Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November.

However, if your child requires the bus home at the end of the evening please contact [Sara.Hegazy@malverncollege.edu.eg](mailto:Sara.Hegazy@malverncollege.edu.eg) so that she can arrange for the bus routes



### Drivers Smoking Area

Please can you remind your drivers that if they want to smoke while waiting then they do so next to their cars, not in front of the College building.

CHRISTMAS  
BAZAAR



### Friends of Malvern College Egypt Christmas Bazaar – Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December

FoMCE are organising a family Christmas Bazaar on December 13<sup>th</sup>. They would like parents to donate used toys and books in good condition that you no longer want, so that we can sell them together with baked and other items which will be on offer. All money raised will go to College charities. Please send to your class/form room where there will be a collection box.



### 100Km Pharaonic Race – ‘Running for Zahra’ – Charity Race –

Congratulations to Mr. Bennett on completing the 100Km event – a truly awe inspiring thing to do. Congratulations also to Mr. Webb who ran a marathon to keep Mr. Bennett company!

### Wearing of Correct Uniform

Please can I remind you all for your children to wear the correct uniform, particularly socks, as well as the correct footwear. We will now be contacting parents of repeated offenders directly asking them to provide the correct uniform or keep their children at home that day.



### Open Day for Prospective Parents - 6th December – 10am

If you have friends or colleagues moving to Cairo or thinking of moving school, please introduce them to the College admissions team [Admissions@malverncollege.edu.eg](mailto:Admissions@malverncollege.edu.eg) and inform them of the first of our monthly Open Days.



### College Guiding Statements - Our focus guiding statement next week is:

#### CGS 3: The College shapes children to become global citizens who have an understanding of the complexities of an ever changing world

Through developing an understanding of the needs of global communities, an awareness of the world around us and celebrating cultural diversity, students truly become global citizens.

### Malvern Qualities

I ask you to discuss these with your children to reinforce what we are trying to achieve at the College. Next week's focus is on **Humility** which is 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.

### Upcoming Events

Please note that these dates do change. It is colour coordinated for you:

Parent Information Session

Sporting Event

Holiday

Educational Visit

NOVEMBER	EVENT	TIME
Sunday 26	Year 3 Trip to Wadi Degla	
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DECEMBER	EVENT	TIME
Wednesday 6	Open Morning for Prospective Parents	
Wednesday 13	Pre- Nursery – Year 2 Winter Concert	TBC
Wednesday 13	Year 2 – Year 10 Winter Concert	TBC
Thursday 14	CCA's End	
Tuesday 19	Reports Issued to Parents	
Thursday 21	Foster House Dress Up Day	
Thursday 21	Term 1 Ends – Half day finish	12:00

Enjoy the weekend with your children.

Duncan Grice  
Headmaster

### Primary School News from Johnnie Kittermaster – Head of Primary School



World Kindness Day was celebrated this year on November 14<sup>th</sup>. In recognition of this 4A presented an assembly to the Primary students to share their ideas on how we can incorporate more kind actions in our school community. The children designed posters to promote kindness and gave hearts to people in our school to say thank you for doing a great job. They also recited a poem 'Smiling is Infectious' to remind us that the smallest act of kindness, a smile, can go a long way.

This week we have seen the temperatures drop significantly and on Tuesday we enjoyed the rain which caused great excitement amongst the children. I can assure you that we get a similar reaction from schoolchildren when it snows in the UK but not when it rains which is all too often! However, with the colder mornings it has meant that more coats are coming into school.



Please can you ensure that coats are properly named so that we can return items to the children.

In Year Three, we have been learning all about 'Rocks and Soils'. We learned about different types of rocks and how they are formed. At the beginning of our topic, we pretended to be detectives and went on a rock hunt! We went to lots of different areas of the school trying to find rocks. We discussed what type of rock it was and what it was being used for. We hope you like our photographs!

Year 2 M	Tamara El Deeb
Year 2 A	Yamman Al Nuseirat
Year 2 L	Aly Awadien
Year 3 M	Ahmed El Faragi
Year 3 A	Nour Mohamed
Year 4 M	Eyad El Gamal
Year 4 A	Lara El Deeb
Year 5 M	Malak Salem
Year 5 A	
Year 6 M	Hassan El Shahawy
Year 6 A	Adham Ibrahim
Year 6 L	Bassem Messiha

### House Points Standings

1 <sup>st</sup>	Foster
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Lewis
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sanger
4 <sup>th</sup>	Elgar

### Early Years News from Sally Dibb-Holland – Head of Early Years



This week our children have benefitted from a visit from the Cairo Traffic Police. The blue basketball court was transformed into a series of roads, pathways and junctions. All children had a talk from the Policeman explaining to them how they should cross the road with safety. The children were then able to sit in the mini cars and drive around the roadways, taking care to watch out for hazards and pedestrians. We are

very grateful to the Cairo Police for sharing their professional expertise

with us, and for taking the time to set up this wonderful learning experience for our children. Staying safe on the roads in whichever country we live is an important life skill for our children.

STAR OF THE WEEK	
PNM	<a href="#">Jude Joseph Hills</a>
PNA	Omar Halima
NM	Ali Mahdy
NA	<a href="#">Talia El Gamal</a>
NL	Mostafa Rashed
NV	Diala El Azar
RM	Talya Shehata
RA	Jana Mattar
RL	Farid El Tarouty
Year 1M	Eyad El Marghany
Year 1A	Youssef Hamza
Year 1L	<a href="#">Yasseen Nassef</a>

### Secondary School News from Wayne Maher – Head of Secondary

This time of the year is always very busy for our entire community. However, a teachers' workload is certainly greater with the range of added responsibilities including: termly assessments; report writing; House events; looking for learning and much more on top of their usual teaching load. It was therefore amazing to see all the secondary school teachers coming together this week to begin new working parties on a wide range of aspects of the school (from reviewing Marking criteria to developing our Language policy). I am always very grateful for the input of our excellent staff for their contributions to these key areas. I look forward to being able to share updates and changes to the school over the coming months as these working parties continue.



#### *Student Council*

We are always looking for ways to allow students to take on leadership roles and be independent in making positive change around the College. As such our Student Council (SC) programme involves elected student representatives from every class to come together, under the leadership of the SC Prefect, Mohamed Daya, to discuss ideas for college development. Over the last few weeks the SC have met and presented ideas and concepts to the

Secondary School leadership team. It is wonderful to see so many fantastic suggestions, from themed curriculum days to parties for the tutor group with the best attendance. All ideas will be reviewed and we will then

look forward to seeing how the SC develop and implement some of their suggestions in the coming weeks and months.



### *Celebrating Success*

It is always wonderful to be able to share in the success of our students in their activities at the College. However, it is always a pleasure to hear of the events our students take part in beyond the school. It is therefore a delight to announce that not only did two of our students, Mariam and Mawada, make the final of the recent Uptown Stars School Talent Contest. Both girls did fantastically well to be voted into this final and did our whole community proud at the event with amazing singing performances. It is also incredible that at their first time at such an event that Mawada was awarded a 4<sup>th</sup> place at the end of the overall competition. Both girls are keen to attend again next year and let's hope more students can follow in their footsteps.



### *Trips*

Thank you to all those who have returned their reply slips and paid the deposit for their chosen trip. Can I please ask for any outstanding replies, deposits or notifications of none participation to be with us as soon as possible, but no later than Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November, in order to confirm the final numbers

### *Uniform*

Can I please ask all parents to ensure that students are coming to school in the correct uniform. Since the change to the winter uniform there has generally been a very good standard of uniform. However, in the last week it has become clear that some students are slipping in their standards in small areas from the colour of socks to forgetting their ID badge. We would like to ensure that all students are looking their absolute smartest and do not want to let small areas spoil an otherwise smart group of students.

### *House Points*

The House Points table has not changed this week with all 4 Houses improving their totals but not enough to catch another House. However, 6 more students have reached the magic total of 50 House Points (and their Cilantro pass!!!). The biggest news of the week is the announcement of our first student reaching 100 House Points and now we need to think how we are going to reward (alongside the silver certificate) this amazing achievement with the space of one term.

1 <sup>st</sup>	Sanger
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Lewis
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Foster
4 <sup>th</sup>	Elgar

## Sports News from Iain Driscoll – Director of Sport



### *Swimming*

This week saw us hosting our first MCE invitational sprint swim meet. The concept behind the meet was to allow all students in our Elite teams to get in the pool and experience a competitive meet. With times being recorded, it also gave our MCE students the chance to try and improve on their performance without the pressure of going for a medal. Congratulations to all that

participated. Unfortunately, due to technical problems with the main pool, the secondary school event was postponed.

Last weekend our Elite team was in action for what would be the last event of the term. The swim team are performing fantastically at the moment and this is down to the hard work and dedication of both the students themselves and the swim coaches. The results from the meet are below.

NCBIS Swim Meet					
<b>25m Free</b>	Adam El Kenawy	2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>25m Breast</b>	Malak Abdelmohsen	3 <sup>rd</sup>
	Malak Abdelmohsen	3 <sup>rd</sup>		Yassin Fawzy	3 <sup>rd</sup>
	Sedra El Ghandour	2 <sup>nd</sup>		Sedra El Ghandour	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Mohamed El Kahky	3 <sup>rd</sup>		Hassan Shoukair	3 <sup>rd</sup>
				Nisan Harmanci	1 <sup>st</sup>
<b>25m Back</b>	Mohammed El Tayeb	2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>25m Fly</b>	AbdelRahman Farag	3 <sup>rd</sup>
	Talita Jada	3 <sup>rd</sup>		Sedra El Ghandour	3 <sup>rd</sup>
	Seif Ewas	1 <sup>st</sup>		Mohammed El Tayeb	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Zeina Hany	3 <sup>rd</sup>			
<b>Medley Relay</b>	Marco Soilman	2 <sup>nd</sup>		Clara Messiha	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Aabdelrahman Emam	2 <sup>nd</sup>		Malak Abdelmohsen	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Omar Hassan	2 <sup>nd</sup>		Sedra El Ghandour	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Ali Abaza	2 <sup>nd</sup>		Lama Omar	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Yassin El Nahas	2 <sup>nd</sup>		Huessian Shoukair	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Yassin Fawzy	2 <sup>nd</sup>		Mohamed El Kahky	1 <sup>st</sup>
	AbdelRahman Farag	2 <sup>nd</sup>		Mohammed El Tayeb	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Hussien Taha	2 <sup>nd</sup>		Hassan Shoukair	1 <sup>st</sup>

	Aly Kamel	2 <sup>nd</sup>			
	Mourad Hossny	2 <sup>nd</sup>			
	Abdelrahman Eladawi	2 <sup>nd</sup>			
	Karim Ammar	2 <sup>nd</sup>			
Free Relay	Marco Soilman	2 <sup>nd</sup>		Lama Omar	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Aabdelrahman Emam	2 <sup>nd</sup>		Clara Messiha	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Omar Hassan	2 <sup>nd</sup>		Sedra El Ghandour	1 <sup>st</sup>
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	Hussien Taha	3 <sup>rd</sup>		Hassan Shoukair	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Doga Harmanci	3 <sup>rd</sup>		Abdelrahman Eladawi	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Talita Jada	3 <sup>rd</sup>		Aly Kamel	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Luana Soilman	3 <sup>rd</sup>		Mourad Hossny	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Jana Khairy	3 <sup>rd</sup>		Karim Ammar	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Zeina Hany	3 <sup>rd</sup>			
	Nissan Harmanci	3 <sup>rd</sup>			
	Sandy Abdellatif	3 <sup>rd</sup>			
	Hana El Hawary	3 <sup>rd</sup>			

Next week our MCE Lions football teams are back on action. On Tuesday, our U16 boys take on NCBIS @ NCBIS. Students will need to be collected from NCBIS no later than 4.30pm. The U13 boys and girls travel to BIS Madinty on Wednesday. They can either be collected from BISM at 3.30 or MCE at 4.45. We are only offering the return to MCE due to BISM being so far away. Good luck to all teams!

### Music News from Tina Marsh – Director of Music



#### Winter Concert.

It is with great pleasure that we can confirm that the concerts on 13<sup>th</sup> Dec. will be held in our theatre. So do make this a date in your diary to come along and support your child. In music lessons all children are working tirelessly to make this yet another outstanding performance.

Please could you help you child at home by helping them to learn their songs by memory.

Yr 5 – Frosty the Snowman.

Yr 6 – Last Christmas (Wham)

Yr 8 – Silver Bells.

Early Years and KS1 students are learning their songs in music lessons, but please listen to them at home as well. We would like happy, smiling clear and loud voices.



### **Instrumental lessons**

These are now up and running and are open all year, so if you still wish your child to learn an instrument please do get in contact. Several Year 1 parents have asked about lessons. We offer lessons to Year 2 and above students. However, to accommodate this we will offer lessons to Year 1 students only if the parent is able to escort the child to and from lesson during the school day. Instrumental teachers would welcome you sitting in on the lessons, so that you can help with practise at home. Lessons are on a rotation basis, so are not always at the same time each week. The parent needs to be able to make this commitment before lessons are signed up for.

Please could I also remind you that students having instrumental lessons are expected to practise at home between lessons, so please ensure that you have the correct instrument at home to enable this. Student enjoyment and progress will be much greater if they can progress at a rapid rate.

**Parent Choir** – now called ‘Singing Ladies’, meet every Monday at 8am – 8:45am. All are welcome, included dads, to come along and join in. If dads do join we will change the name!