

# THE MCE TIMES



## IMPORTANT DATES November

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup>**  
Swim Meet @ NCBIS

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup>**  
U13 & U16 B&G Sprint swim Vs. CISE  
- 25m @ MCE

**Wednesday 22<sup>th</sup>**  
U11 & U13 Sprint swim Vs. NCBIS,  
CES @ MCE

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>**  
Year 3 Trip to Wadi Degla



Thursday 16 November 2017

Dear Parents and Friends of Malvern College Egypt



### **Baker Books – Books Direct from the UK**

You should all have received details of how to order books for your children through our partnership with Baker Books. The children are able to share and enjoy with you at home, the more their imaginations and vocabulary will develop. This is how it works:

1. Choose your books and mark them on the form.
2. Put the form along with the money into the envelope, seal it and send into school with your child.
3. We will then take it from there and pass your order on to Baker Books.
4. Deadline day for your order to be in the College is Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November.
5. Your order will then arrive and be given to your child on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December.



### **Winter Concert**

You will receive a letter shortly with information regarding the Winter Concerts. There is a reply slip to indicate transport arrangements for students in Years 3-10 for after the show which should finish at 7pm. Please can I ask you to send that back as soon as possible.



### **Inter House Swim Meets**

It was great to see so many parents attend the Inter House swim meets this week, which proved very difficult to run due to students pulling out of races they had signed up for. Those students who stepped up for their House and swam in events which they clearly found difficult should be commended.

Those students who did not compete and swim for their House and their friends and did not have a genuine reason why not, really need to take a long look at themselves in the mirror and reflect on their actions, which were not those we expect of Malvern College Egypt students.

### **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.

### **Remembrance Day Service at the Commonwealth War Graves Cemetery in Heliopolis – Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> September**

MCE were well represented by the Head Boys and Girls of both Secondary and Primary School who laid a wreath on behalf of the College. Year 5 also attended as part of their learning about the World Wars. There was time to walk around and look at the gravestones and the students commented on the young ages of many of the fallen. This was a valuable opportunity for our younger students to reflect and remember all those who died fighting for freedom in their countries and we were extremely impressed with the respect and politeness that our students demonstrated throughout the whole ceremony.



## CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

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

FoMCE will be organizing a family Christmas Bazaar in December. 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 – November 17<sup>th</sup>

Good luck to Mr. Bennett who will be ‘Running for Zahra’, a little girl who was born with mitochondrial disease. The link for the fundraiser and more information is:

<https://www.gofundme.com/running-for-Zahra>

<http://bit.ly/2lfjnJa>

I would like to thank all those who have sponsored Mr. Bennett, including one very generous parent, so that the total so far is now £2417 GBP. There is still time to go online and make a donation.

### Taking Children Home Who Normally Ride the Bus

Please note that parents need to contact the Primary or Secondary School offices by 12pm so that we can arrange this.

### Medicines in the College

All medication should be sent to the clinic - including the student's name and details of the medicine - with the bus matron or through the parent/driver. Students can take it there.

### 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. Your guides are for you to click on.

<http://malverncollege.edu.eg/nursery-year-2/>

<http://malverncollege.edu.eg/year-3-6/>

<http://malverncollege.edu.eg/year-7-12/>



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

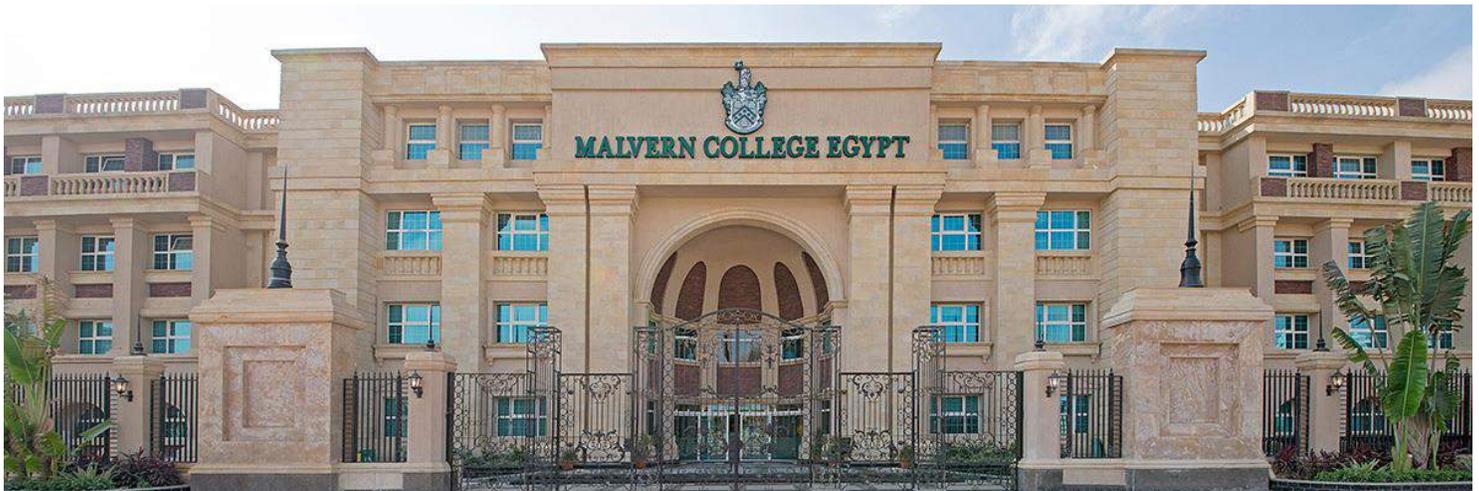
If you have friends or colleagues moving to Cairo or thinking of moving school, please introduce them to the College admissions team [Admissions@malverncollege.edu.eg](mailto:Admissions@malverncollege.edu.eg) and inform them of the first of our monthly Open Days.

## **PARENT INFORMATION SESSION**

### **Next Parent Information Session - Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November - 08:30**

The Dangers and Positive use of Social Media – Mr. Richard Moore

As a parent and educator, if you only attend one parent session this year, make sure it is this one! Social media can be a frightening and lonely place for teenagers in particular.



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

#### **CGS 2: The College values community well-being and provides a safe learning environment**

Students, parents and staff are provided with a secure and safe environment to promote personal, social and emotional well-being and growth.

### **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 Integrity which is below:

#### **Integrity**

Showing the strength of character to be an honest and trustworthy member of society and to stand by one's beliefs. Being willing to accept personal responsibility where things go wrong and to learn from mistakes when they occur. Demonstrating intellectual honesty by acknowledging sources of information and ideas.

## 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
Friday 17	Swim Meet @ NCBIS	TBC
Monday 20	U13 & U16 B&G Sprint swim vs CISE - 25m @ MCE	TBC
Tuesday 21	Parent Information Session - Dangers and Positive use of Social Media.	08:30
Wednesday 22	U11 & U13 Sprint swim vs NCBIS, CES @MCE	TBC
Thursday 23	Police Visit and Children's Workshops @ MCE	10:00
Sunday 26	Year 3 Trip to Wadi Degla Nov 26	
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	12:00

Enjoy the weekend with your children

Duncan Grice  
Headmaster

Primary School News from Johnnie Kittermaster – Head of Primary School



I was delighted to witness the power of the House system at work on Monday when we enjoyed Inter House Swimming Sports. There were some wonderful performances by our gifted swimmers which will be reported on in the Sports section but what pleased me was there was lots of cheering by the students and staff for their fellow House members in the competitive races and the spirit of the competition was just right. Three pupils caught my eye not for their amazing swimming ability but the fact that they were prepared to swim to the best of their ability for their respective House otherwise they would not have had a team and the chance to pick up points. As a result Muchiri Ryan, Shahd Abou Elfetouh and Lara El Deeb were awarded credits. These are the Malvern Qualities that we wish to see in our pupils.

Now that we are in Winter Uniform please can I remind you to ensure that all jumpers and coats are named. There are still too many clothing items in the lost and found as a result of not being named.



This week has been Anti Bullying Week in the UK and we have mirrored that here in the Primary School. As a school we feel it is important that we do our absolute best to ensure our students are protected from bullies and the sanctions for those who are consistently involved in bullying behaviour are serious.

Mr Birch with 5A held an assembly yesterday talking about types of bullying and what we can do about it. The assembly ended on an anti-bullying pledge that we would like our students to learn and hopefully remember that bullying in our school is not accepted and will not be tolerated.

MCE Student Anti-bullying pledge

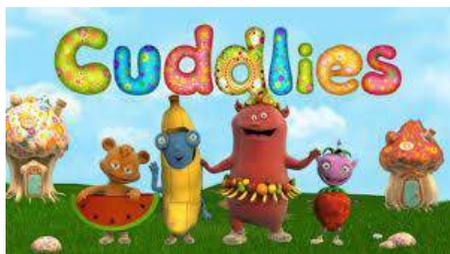
*All students, staff and parents have the right to feel safe in school.*

*Nobody has the right to make others feel unhappy, or not want to come to school.*

*We **all** need to work together to make sure that bullying is something that isn't tolerated and doesn't happen here at MCE.*

*We should ensure that we all **treat each other with respect, courtesy and consideration.***

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



This will be our last week of swimming within Early Years, from next week onwards the children will enjoy Physical Education (P.E.) lessons. We expect all children who are in school to take a full and active part in their P.E. lessons. If your child is well enough to be in school then they are well enough to join in with their P.E. lessons.

The Reception children enjoyed an exciting week of learning; a baddie had stolen their class cuddlies! The children spent the week making posters, writing clues and letters and finally all the children arrived in superhero costumes on Thursday to try and hunt the baddie and find their class cuddlies – you will all be relieved to read that the class cuddlies were found safe and sound.



A birthday celebration at school is always fun and children like to share their special day with their friends. Bringing small individual cupcakes into school is quite acceptable but party bags, crisps, sandwiches and jellies are not. It is important that you talk to your child's class teacher before you bring in a birthday cake so that this may be planned into the day without causing disruptions to lesson and other school activities. Ideally cupcakes should be brought in to school as this negates the need for a knife to be used.

**STAR OF THE WEEK**

PNM	Yaseen Hamza
PNA	Eyad Sadek
NM	Belal Hemdan
NA	Liam Bernardi
NL	Muhammad Rateb
NV	Hanya Elsallab
RM	Luca Salah
RA	Omar Hussein
RL	Nayera Sedak
Year 1M	Bricen Platz
Year 1A	Taim Eledrisi
Year 1L	Fayrouz Othman

Year 2 M	Omar Farouk
Year 2 A	Ahmed Eissa
Year 2 L	Lilia Elfekiry
Year 3 M	Ismail Ibrahim
Year 3 A	Zeina Kamel
Year 4 M	Reuben Maher
Year 4 A	Karim Swilam
Year 5 M	Seif Fekry
Year 5 A	Emily Salah
Year 6 M	Hanna Koriem
Year 6 A	Retaj Mohamed
Year 6 L	Omar El Morsy

### House Points Standings

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

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



Another busy week ends and there has been a lot of reflection in classes following on from the students receiving their first reports of the year last week. We would encourage all parents to continue this reflective process by discussing the reports with your son/daughter and agreeing on areas for celebration as well as setting targets for future reports.



#### *Lunch Time Clubs*

To look at providing our students with more opportunities for both social and fun activities it has been decided to instigate some more formal lunch time clubs.

Beginning next week, the following clubs will run at lunch times:

- Drama
- Cooking
- Board Games

The exact days and timings of these sessions will be shared directly with students next week. For more information students should speak to Mr. Fleming, who is coordinating these new clubs.



#### *Sleep and Water Bottles*

It has become apparent over the last few weeks that a lot of students are arriving to school very tired. This is particularly evident with many of our Year 10 students. When questioning these students, the response is often that they have been up until midnight or later (one student this week telling their tutor that they went to bed at 2am after finishing some homework!). Students arriving to school tired is clearly not the best start to the day and has a great impact on their ability to cope with the learning planned for the rest of the day. Research is very clear that, particularly for teenagers, a good night's sleep (9 to 11 hours) is of utmost importance to aid long term memory. Although some students blame their workload, it is clear that these students are not managing their time efficiently. Teachers do speak to their students about how to manage their time but we would ask that parents also discuss this with you son/daughter and if there are concerns that you contact the Head of Year to discuss this and we can look to further support in school.



One way to help students manage tiredness is for them to stay hydrated. As such we strongly recommend that **ALL** students should bring a water bottle to school. Although we do have numerous water fountains around the College, we would prefer not to use large quantities of plastic cups. Bringing a water bottle to school will keep children hydrated, alert and environmentally friendly!

For more information of sleep for children please visit the following website:  
<https://sleepfoundation.org/sleep-topics/children-and-sleep/page/0/2>



### *Student Diaries*

Can we please ask all parents to ensure that students are bringing the correct equipment to school? This includes: student diary; behaviour card, student ID, calculator and regular stationary. Tutors and teachers do regular checks on these items and there seems to have been a slight drop in recent weeks of students having the correct equipment.



### *Art Department Requests*

Our Art department continues to produce some fantastic pieces of work as our students learn and practice new skills. This creative process is facilitated by some excellent teachers but they are always looking out for resources to support their lessons. The Art department would like to request help in obtaining the following items: magazines; newspapers; any useful size tubs like empty butter/margarine tubs. Students can drop these off at the Art Room/Office.



### *Trips week*

Thank you to all those who have returned their trip selection forms. I would like to stress that the expectation is for every child in Year 7 to 10 to attend one of the trips. There will be no lessons or other in-school programme during the trips week (MCE will be closed to Year 7 to 10 during the whole week). The trips week has been designed as a significant part of the College curriculum, giving students the opportunity to learn new skills and concepts as well as see their strengths and weaknesses outside of the classroom environment. A number of trips are now almost full and any late reply slips now handed in will be dealt with on a first come, first-served basis.



### *Prefects*

Our prefect team continue to develop their roles and this week they have started following their own duty rota. This consists of the prefects monitoring areas of the College at break and lunch time alongside teachers to ensure that students are having a safe and fun rest between lessons.



### *Inter House Shout*

The House singing competition (known as the 'House Shout') is well underway and rehearsals have continued during lunch and break times. It is wonderful to see so many students giving up their own time to rehearse and motivate their whole House to take part. Every House has been assigned an ABBA song to perform and we are expecting amazing things from every house.

### *House Points*

The House Points competition continues to see fluctuations in many places. In fact this week there is now less than 1.5 average House Points per student difference between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place

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



This week was very busy for the Lions as we attended numerous events. On Friday and Saturday at CAC Invitational Swim Meet, as a combined team, MCE students recorded 70 Personal Best times and Gold, Silver or Bronze medals were awarded. I congratulate the team and am pleased to be able to share their results with you at the end of my section.



We hosted our first inter-House swim galas this week and I was incredibly proud of all the students who participated in the meets. There were numerous students who entered events who would have preferred not to, but in the spirit of MCE, did so for their House and their friends. Displaying such an attitude and willingness to participate is what these events are all about and I commend these students. I also ask those who opted not to swim or stay at home to reflect on their attitude and commitment to House sport. It is not an individual event and by not competing, it is the House that is let down. I sincerely hope that students will learn from this and participate fully in future House sporting events.

The results from the inter-House swim meets are below and I congratulate Foster House for rising to the top and winning both events!

### Secondary results:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Foster (917)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Lewis (845)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Sanger (580)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Place – Elgar (521)

### Primary Results

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Foster (666)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Lewis (613)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Sanger (609)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Place – Elgar (564)

### *Girls Football*



#### ***CISE U13 0 v 5 MCE U13***

Our girls demonstrated improved confidence, organisation, team spirit and defensive competency on what was a very difficult surface. Goals came from Farah Farag, Mariam Koura, Jasmine Grice and two from Haia Selim. In this game we gave opportunities to a few of our U11 players. Clara Messiha, Hala El Gebely (Year 6) and Malak Abdelmohsen (Year 5) fitted well into the team. A very impressive footballing performance from every player.

#### ***CISE U18 7 v 1 MCE U16***

Our girls put in a very controlled, determined and gutsy performance against a team that had some very good older footballers. The girls did well to create numerous good chances, which culminated in a consolation goal scored by Haia Selim. Despite the loss, it is worth noting the immense pride all our players exhibited, the team spirit was wonderful to see. Well done girls for the immense effort you put into the game, particularly after swimming all morning!

### *Boys Football*

#### ***CISE U13 4 v 1 MCE U13***

The match was competitive and close fought from the beginning. After conceding three early goals, MCE showed fantastic resilience to score their first goal of the season through an outstanding free-kick from Omar El Shahawi. A special mention to Mohamed El Khaky for a fantastic defending performance.

#### ***CISE U16 1 v 0 MCE U16***

The boys also played with immense spirit and energy. They have worked hard in training and transferred much of what they have learned into this match. They were organised, resilient, communicated better and had the positive belief they could win. Their attitude was commendable, as was their performance. Players to specifically note were Youssef Makram and Omar Osman who worked tirelessly throughout the whole game.

Name	Event	Time	Place
Adam Elkenawy	Boys 100 Back 9-10	2:02.27S	3
Adam Elkenawy	Boys 25 Free 9-10	20.31S	3
Ahmed Farouk	Boys 25 Free 7-8	22.04S	3
Aly Abaza	Boys 25 Free 9-10	19.69S	2
Aly Kamel	Boys 25 Free 13-14	16.23S	1
Aly Kamel	Boys 25 Back 13-14	21.94S	2
Doga Harmanci	Girls 25 Back 11-12	21.77S	1
Doga Harmanci	Girls 25 Free 11-12	19.05S	2
Hussein Taha	Boys 100 Back 9-10	1:50.68S	1
Hussein Taha	Boys 100 Breast 9-10	1:56.73S	2
Ismail Taha	Boys 25 Breast 8 & Under	32.98S	2
Jana Khairy	Girls 25 Back 11-12	21.80S	2
Jana Khairy	Girls 100 Back 11-12	1:57.14S	3
Jana Omar	Girls 25 Breast 11-12	30.53S	1
Jasmine Grice	Girls 50 Breast 13-14	48.39S	3
Josephine Grice	Girls 25 Free 11-12	19.43S	3
Mariam Abdellatif	Girls 25 Fly 13-14	21.78S	1
Mariam Abdellatif	Girls 25 Free 13-14	18.70S	2
Mohamed El Kahky	Boys 25 Fly 11-12	20.95S	1
Mohamed El Kahky	Boys 25 Free 11-12	16.15S	1
Mohamed El Kahky	Boys 50 Back 11-12	44.03S	2
Mohamed El Kahky	Boys 50 Free 11-12	35.15S	2
Mourad Hossny	Boys 200 IM 13-14	2:36.10S	1
Mourad Hossny	Boys 50 Breast 13-14	36.00S	1
Mourad Hossny	Boys 100 Breast 13-14	1:21.50S	1
Nissan Harmanci	Girls 25 Breast 13-14	26.19S	2
Nissan Harmanci	Girls 50 Free 13-14	41.65S	3
Omar El Nahas	Boys 25 Free 7-8	20.95S	2
Omar El Nahas	Boys 25 Back 7-8	28.26S	3
Sandy Abdellatif	Girls 25 Breast 13-14	24.26S	1
Sandy Abdellatif	Girls 25 Free 13-14	18.32S	1
Sedra El Ghandour	Girls 50 Breast 9-10	49.03S	1
Sedra El Ghandour	Girls 50 Free 9-10	36.72S	1
Sedra El Ghandour	Girls 100 IM 9-10	1:33.26S	2
Seif Khaled	Boys 25 Back 11-12	21.17S	1
Timothy Marsh	Boys 100 Back 13-14	2:01.50S	2
Yassin El Nahas	Boys 25 Fly 11-12	23.51S	2
Yassin El Nahas	Boys 25 Free 11-12	19.56S	2
Yassin El Nahas	Boys 50 Back 11-12	48.55S	3
Yassin El Sayd	Boys 25 Back 7-8	28.00S	2
Yassin Fawzy	Boys 25 Back 9-10	23.23S	3
Zeina Hany	Girls 50 Free 13-14	41.61S	2
Zeina Hany	Girls 50 Back 13-14	48.64S	3
Zeina Hany	Girls 25 Breast 13-14	27.83S	3
Zeina Hany	Girls 25 Free 13-14	20.04S	3

## Music News from Tina Marsh – Director of Music



### *Instrumental Lessons*

I am delighted to inform you that instrumental lessons have now started in school. Many children, particularly KS1/2 children are making the most of this opportunity.



### *Winter Concerts*

Children in all years are now busy working on their Christmas performances ready for the concert. Please reserve the date in your calendar - 13th Dec to watch your children's performances. You will be receiving a letter shortly with full details.

### *Parent Choir*

This week numbers in the Parent Choir continued to increase. Everyone is welcome, please come along on Mondays at 8am.

### *Uptown Cairo Talent Competition*

Mariam and Mawada have both made it through to the final of Uptown Cairo Talent Competition this Saturday 11am – 5pm at Uptown Cairo Sales Centre Garden, Mokattam. Please do go along and cheer the girls and thank you for voting on Facebook.

