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House and Charity News

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Dear MCE Community,

It has been an incredibly busy term for House and charity activities at Malvern College Egypt. This leaflet aims to keep parents informed of all the exciting things that have happened. Our House system provides a variety of opportunities for our pupils to develop their skills and qualities in many areas. In particular, the Malvern qualities can be really promoted through the House activities and events.

Languages Day Treasure Hunt – Years 3 and 4



On Languages Day in January, the pupils from Years 3 and 4 took part in a very enjoyable Treasure Hunt in their House teams. They competed to find and solve clues which required them to use their knowledge of French. The pupils worked really well together and had lots of fun.

Malvern Marathon

Mrs Phillips organised this very popular project, which benefitted two different charities, African Hope Learning Centre for refugees in Egypt and NSPCC which aims to protect children at risk in the UK. Our pupils were sponsored to run laps of the school in a fun and relaxed “marathon”. Just over 26,000 EGP was raised.



Foster Dress Up Day



In February, pupils enjoyed the third dress-up day of the year, to raise the profile of the House Charity ESMA and to raise funds for them. ESMA takes care of animals in need, providing food, shelter and medical treatment. The theme was “Star Wars, Marvel and Superheroes.” A variety of fabulous costumes were on display.

Across the school, pupils were involved in implementing or participating in fund-raising activities. It is great to see how they are developing a better understanding of the importance and value of helping others through volunteering time and effort. Nearly 17,000 EGP was raised - thank you to all staff, pupils and parents who supported the event.

Primary visits to Elgar's Charity - Branches of the Vine



We were able to organise for all three of the Year 6 classes to visit our Elgar Charity. Our pupils prepared and participated in art/craft activities with the children at "Branches of the Vine." These children all have significant special educational needs. Our Year 6 teachers all returned from the trip with extremely positive comments about how our pupils had handled the visits with great sensitivity.

Visits to Foster's Charity - ESMA



Pupils from both Primary and Secondary school have had two visits this term to the Foster House charity, ESMA (Egyptian Society for Mercy to Animals) dog shelter. The pupils donated a substantial amount of money, that has been raised over the past year through numerous Foster events. The money donated will be used to supply the dogs with food, medical supplies and improvements to their lives. It was a spectacular two days as we were able to play with the dogs as well as wash them. We greatly enjoyed our time in the shelter as not only were all the dogs excited to meet all of us, but the workers responsible for the care of these dogs were extremely welcoming and took us in with open arms. If you'd like to learn more about ESMA and their various programs, visit <http://www.esmaegypt.org>.

Salma Mohamed and Ahmed Ramzy, Foster Secondary House Captains.

Early Years and Primary Sports Days



These events were very popular with students, who had lots of fun competing in various races and other activities to support their House team. We also had an incredible attendance by parents who wanted to support their children. The PE department did a fantastic job in organising the days and giving each child a chance to shine.



At the Primary Sports Day, some unexpected visitors came! Our House mascot costumes were worn for the first time by four teachers, who competed in a very entertaining race. We were also able to award the brand new Primary Sports Day trophy – to Foster! Congratulations to all Houses, every child who took part tried their best.

House Crests

This term we have had Crests designed for each House, in order to promote and develop House identity. These will be used more and more around school, keep an eye out for them!



Elgar



Foster



Lewis



Sanger

International Day

The biggest event of this term was our third annual International Day. This day aims to celebrate our diverse community and also raises funds for our House charities. Around 1,200 people came along to enjoy the outstanding performances from our pupils as well as from external performers. We enjoyed sampling a range of tasty treats from around the world, generously provided by parents and staff. Pupils also led and participated in a range of fun activities. The day was a great success and 84,200 EGP was the total raised. This was an amazing example of our MCE community and family spirit.



Secondary Debate Competition

This term saw our first ever inter-house Debate Competition. Every Wednesday or Thursday, two Houses would go head to head to debate an exciting motion. We had motions such as “This House believes that historically men and women have contributed equally to society” and “This House believes that the beauty industry causes more harm than good”. Each House had three speakers, two of which would speak before opening up the floor to the audience to raise questions and make comments. We would then listen to the final speaker from each House before the judges announced the winning House and the Best Public Speaker. Our judges were superb and the response from our Secondary School was fantastic. Well done to all the Houses for participating – it can be a very daunting experience to debate in front of your peers and teachers but they showed many of the Malvern Qualities such as resilience and open-mindedness. We will have our final debate between Elgar and Foster, the two Houses with most points from the competition, debate the following motion on Thursday 18th April: This House believes that it is important to always tell the truth.



Secondary Football competition

What an exciting tournament this has been! We have seen a lot of talent from our players and it has certainly been an emotional couple of weeks for everyone! Well done to all pupils from all year groups for working together and supporting their House during such a fun tournament. Thank you also to our fantastic four House Mascots: Elgar Dragon (Aly Kamel, 10A), Foster Crocodile (Ahmed Ramzy, 10A, and Aly Marzouk, 11L), Lewis Eagle (Karim Ammar, 10A), and Sanger Shark (Zyad Elkhazindar, 10A, and Ahmed Mubarak, 11L). Last but not least, a big thank you to the PE department and Omar Khairy (11A) for organising this event.



House Mascots

Last year, students were given the opportunity to design a mascot for their House. The winning designs were then sent off to be turned into costumes! They have already been seen in House competitions this term!



Secondary Photography Competition

Thank you to Mrs Moore for organising such a fun competition which was well received by both student and members of staff. All entries were outstanding and the judges were faced with a difficult task when trying to select the top 5 for each category. Mrs Moore kept the entries anonymous and after shortlisting the top 5, all Secondary school members were asked to vote for their favourite. Thank you to everyone who supported this competition! I am delighted to announce the winners:

Students		Staff	
1 st Place	Salwa Khaled (Lewis)	1 st Place	Mr I Massie (Elgar)
2 nd Place	Batrisya Rahman (Foster)	2 nd Place	Ms Isabel Pante
3 rd Place	Farah Farag (Sanger)	3 rd Place	Mr T Lawman (Foster)
4 th Place	Emy Fanous (Elgar)	4 th Place	Ms K Harries (Elgar)



Secondary visits to Elgar's Charity – Branches of the Vine



On Monday 11th March, I visited Elgar's charity with Ms Pante and Ms Harries. The trip to our charity was such a refreshing experience in which it enabled me to not only to appreciate my privileges, such as affording education and having good health, but to meet so many pure souls who have such a positive perspective to life. I have met so many talented children who have interests in mathematics, art and languages. It was such an amazing opportunity and I hope our school can continue to help improve the children's learning experiences.

Mariam Hassan, Elgar Secondary House Captain



On Tuesday 9th April, a group of Elgar Secondary pupils went to visit our House charity, Branches of the Vine (a school for children with special needs). Visiting our House charity was an experience we will never forget. The joy that we saw on the children's faces when we were playing with them was extraordinary. In addition to that, the way our pupils sympathised with these children was incredible, some would cry because they lost in a game but our pupils would help to cheer them up. This was certainly an experience we will never forget.

Aly Kamel, Elgar Secondary House Captain

Secondary House Bake Off



On Thursday 28th of March, the Languages department and I organised a Bake Off with the Secondary School Prefects split into the 4 Houses. Each House had to cook a pasta dish and create a sauce of their choosing using no recipe and only the ingredients that were provided to them. They each drew one of the following countries out of a hat: Germany, Italy, France or Spain. Alongside the country flag was a secret ingredient they didn't know about until the day, which they had to incorporate into their pasta dish. To make it a bit more challenging, the Prefects also had to bake and decorate cupcakes using the colours of their given country flag. They had one hour to cook the pasta and bake the cupcakes and were judged on presentation and taste. It was very fun to watch everyone work together to try and produce something in one hour. The kitchen was hectic! Although each House was against each other, all Prefects were very mature not to mess around with each other's dishes and I could definitely say they all had lots of fun; it was a great success!

The dishes were judged by four non-biased teachers: Mr Moore, Ms Pante, Miss Basma and Mr Driscoll. I am confident to say that they also enjoyed the dishes since they couldn't stop eating any of them! It was a very close call at the end on which House had won, but the House that took the win was FOSTER! Even though all the Houses had outstanding dishes and exceptional presentation skills too. This event was a success and I hope we can do more creative things like this to boost the competition at school, especially as this activity also brought the Prefects closer together and helped them bond. This would not have happened without the judges and the Prefect team! A special thanks to Mrs Moore for buying all the ingredients, too!

Mariam Atef, Secondary Languages Prefect

Secondary Earth Day Competition



On Thursday 4th of April, I worked alongside the Humanities Department to organise and run a Trashion Show competition. Each House had 50 minutes only to design and create their own costume, using recycled items they had gathered up throughout the week. They each had an endangered species they needed to base their costumes on for extra points, which was a huge success! The endangered species that were allocated to each House were giraffes, bees, elephants and whales. Every House was judged on whether or not they included their given animal, the overall costume, the use of recycled material and also how well they worked as a team.

The models for the Trashion Show were the Heads of House. The show took place on the blue court during lunchtime where everyone gathered up ready to see which House would win best costume. Each Head of House had their own chance to walk down the runway whilst dancing to the music. After they all got a chance to show their moves, our four judges added up all their points together and the winners were announced. Well done Sanger for winning with a marvellous elephant costume and to Mr Cella for his catwalk skills! This event was a very big success overall and it wouldn't have been this great without the site staff setting up everything on the blue court and Miss Savage for her guidance. I hope that everyone has become more aware of making use of any old items and reducing waste!

Nour Soliman, Secondary Humanities Prefect

Elgar and Sanger Bake Sale

On Sunday 7th April, during the first period the Secondary prefects joined together in the cooking room to bake more than 50 cupcakes. However, we got help from Mrs Romani, a MCE parent to tell us the correct ingredients. All prefects were very helpful to prepare us for the bake sale. On Monday 8th April, during lunchtime the bake sale was held so pupils could enjoy eating while watching the girls inter-house football competition finals. We raised more than 2000 EGP and the money will be split and sent to Elgar's and Sanger's charities. We thank everyone who helped with the baking and all who made donations during the day.

Aly Kamel, Elgar Secondary House Captain



The baking was a great experience for all of us and we had a blast! We learned how to make cupcakes (vanilla). They tasted delicious. In the bake sale we really liked how the children enjoyed our cupcakes. We want to thank Mrs Lamees and Miss Belcher for this amazing experience and we will really miss being the Primary House Captains!

Jolie Shehata, Yasseen Khairy and Kanzy Enab, Year 6 Primary House Captains

Secondary House Chess



The House chess competition kicked off on Tuesday 9th April with four very tense matches played between Foster and Sanger. Each week will see four players from one House go head to head with four from another House. The games drew a large audience of pupils and teachers supporting their House and friends. Foster won the first two games and went ahead 2-0 before Sanger won the last two matches to pull back a draw 2-2. Each House receives 2 points for each win, 1 for a draw and 0 for a loss. This means both teams have started off with 4 points on the league table with Lewis and Elgar yet to play. Elgar will face Sanger in a tough match in the final week of term before the competition takes a break over the Easter holidays.

Thank you

to all students, staff and parents for such a fantastic and successful term for the MCE Houses!

Kind regards,

Ms J Belcher and Ms I Pante
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