

Important Dates October

Sunday 01

Open Morning
All Day

Tuesday 03

Primary School Parent
Information Session
08:30
Parents Rep. Meeting
10:00

Thursday 12

Primary Student
Leadership Investiture
13.20
Secondary Student
Leadership Investiture
14.20

Sunday 15 – 23

Inter House Performance
Poetry Competition

Tuesday 17

Whole College Parent
Information Session
How we teach Arabic

Thursday 19

Friends of Malvern
College Adult
Quiz Night
18:00

Tuesday 24

Year 4 Trip to Chocolate Factory
Student Leadership
Training Prefects
Whole College Parent
Information Session
Reporting & Grading

Wednesday 25

Parent Teacher
Consultation Day

Thursday 26

Elgar House Charity
Dress Up Day

Oct 27 – Nov 5

Half Term Holiday

THE MCE TIMES



Thursday 26 October 2017

Dear Parents and Friends of Malvern College Egypt

Working Hours During the Half Term Break

The College will be open during the half term holiday for parents from 9am-3pm



Friends of Malvern College Egypt Christmas Bazaar

FoMCE will be organizing a family Christmas Bazaar in December. They would like parents to donate used toys and books so that we can sell them together with the baked and other items which will be on offer. There will also be a tombola and a chance to meet Santa. All money raised will go to College charities. After the half term holiday, we will send you details of where to bring your items.



College Photography Competition

Open to Secondary school students AND staff. You can choose any subject (e.g. Nature, landscape etc.) as long as it is in black and white. Entries must be your original work and you must not edit your photos (apart from conversion to black and white).

Deadline for entries: **Sunday 25th November.**

You must hand your printed photo in to either Ms. Pante (SO4) or Mrs. Moore (SO6). House points on offer for winners and runners-up – including staff!

100Km Pharaonic Race – ‘Running for Zahra’



Mr. Adrian Bennett, our new Art/DT teacher, is taking part in a charity 100km run on November 17th. He will be ‘Running for Zahra’ a little girl who was born with mitochondrial disease. The funds he is raising will go towards buying her specialist equipment so that she can sit upright and learn how to move on her own. The link for the fundraiser and more information is:

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



This is a mammoth race, 2 and a half marathons long through the desert. First initiated back in 1977 after the Egyptologist, Ahmed Moussa discovered a piece of rock telling the story of Pharaonic soldiers running a race of 100 Km.

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

If you would like to sponsor Mr. Bennett, please do so. If you have a company and would like to sponsor him, he will take part in events, photo shoots, fun runs and wear your company’s logo or uniform. All he asks in return is a small donation towards his charitable efforts.



Parent Teacher Consultation Day – Wednesday 25th October

It was great to see so many parents and students in the College today to meet with the teaching staff. The conferences are designed so that you are aware of how your child is doing academically and holistically as well as ways of moving forward together. I would like to thank our Secondary School prefects who were here all day showing parents around and welcoming people to the College.

75th Anniversary Commemoration Service Battle of El Alamein

Mr. Kittermaster and myself were honoured to represent the College last weekend at the El Alamein War Cemetery and to lay a wreath of remembrance on behalf of our community. Such a special anniversary of this decisive battle of World War II North African campaign was well attended by senior dignitaries from around the world, including a veteran of the battle from Greece who laid his wreath on behalf of his dead comrades.



Remembrance Day Service at the Commonwealth War Graves Commission Cemetery at Heliopolis

On Sunday 12th November, the Head Boy and Head Girl from Primary and Secondary along with Year 5 will join Mr. Maher and myself in representing the College at this annual commemoration service.



Poppies for Sale

Poppies will be on sale straight after the half term holiday. We recommend a minimum donation of 30LE per poppy. All money raised will go to College charities. The British Legion is committed to helping young people understand about Remembrance, conflict and the importance of peace. Wearing a poppy helps promote this global understanding.



Whats App Chat Complaints

Parents are complaining to me about negative comments being put on whatsapp chat groups by some of our parents. Please pass any complaints you have directly to the school and we will sort out the issue. Do not complain in a chat group, as we don't see it and the only results will be that you split the parent body and that the problem will continue. I thank you in advance for your cooperation and support.



Looking for Learning

Senior staff are currently engaged in classroom visits looking at the learning that is happening on a daily basis. The students as always have been tremendously honest in their feedback, and the staff, as you would expect of the quality we have at the College, have also been extremely reflective on their practice. You can rest assured that our objective will always be to continue to improve the learning opportunities we offer our students.



Change to Winter Uniform

Winter uniform will come into operation from Sunday 12th November when all students will be required to wear it. In the meantime there will be a two week grace period as people purchase their winter uniform.

Wearing of Correct Uniform

Please can I remind you all to wear the correct uniform, particularly socks, as well as the correct footwear. We will be clamping down on persistent offenders.



Nutrition Committee

Thank you to the five parents who have signed up to be part of our Nutrition Committee.

We will notify you of our first meeting after the half term holiday.



Open Day for Prospective Parents - 6th November – 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 and inform them of the first of our monthly Open Days.



House Competition Bake Sale - Thursday 19th October

Thank you to all our students and parents who contributed to the House Bake Sale – we raised:

Sanger: 3696.25 LE
Lewis: 2900.75 LE
Foster: 2752.75 LE
Elgar: 2548.75 LE

Therefore, Sanger House raised the most money. The combined total was 11,898.50 LE and will go charities and to purchase new playground equipment.

If you are missing any plastic containers or plates that were used to bring in items for the bake sale, please email jacqueline.belcher@malverncollege.edu.eg to arrange collection or ask your child to come speak to Miss Belcher in room F43.

Next Parent Information Session - Tuesday 7th November - 08:30

Primary School Parent Information Session - Mathematics in the Primary School

Secondary School Parent Information Sessions – Year 10 Graduation Pathways & Year 9 IGCSE and Graduation Pathways.



Friends of Malvern College Egypt Charity Community Quiz Night

Congratulations to our winners for the third time, The Artisans!
Congratulations to all those who came along and enjoyed a fun evening while at the same time raising 2 800LE to FoMCE charities.

College Guiding Statements

Our focus guiding statement after the half term holiday is:

CGS 8: The College challenges each child to be the best that they can be and discover who they might become

The College creates a learning environment that encourages exploration, experimentation, questioning and discovery. It prepares its students to be reflective in analysing opportunities, in facing challenges and to learn from their mistakes.



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 Ambition which is below:

Ambition

Being forward-thinking with a vision of the future, and showing the determination and courage to follow this path.

Upcoming Events

Please note that these dates do change as we add more fixtures and charity events. It is colour coordinated for you:

Parent Information Session

Sporting Event

Holiday

Educational Visit

NOVEMBER	EVENT	TIME
Sunday 5	U11, U13 Boys V NCBIS @ NCBIS	TBC
Tuesday 7	Primary School Parent Information Session - Mathematics in the Primary School	08:30
Tuesday 7	Secondary School Parent Information Sessions – Year 10 Graduation Pathways & Year 9 IGCSE and Graduation Pathways	08:30
Tuesday 7	U11, U13 Girls Vs NCBIS @ NCBIS	TBCE
Thursday 9	Progress Card 1 issued to Parents	
Thursday 9	Commemoration of Remembrance Assembly	14:20

Thursday 9	U16 B&G Football vs NCBIS @ NCBIS	TBC
Sunday 12	U11 B & G Football vs CISE @ MCE	TBC
Monday 13	Primary Inter House Swimming Gala	TBC
Monday 13	U13 B & G Football vs CISE @ CISE	TBC
Tuesday 14	Secondary Inter House Swimming Gala	TBC
Tuesday 14	U14 B & G Football vs CISE @ CISE	TBC
Thursday 16	Arabic/Social Studies Year 6 and Year 7 Trip to Pharaonic Village	08:30
Monday 20	U13 & U16 B&G Sprint swim vs CISE - 25m @ MCE	TBC
Wednesday 22	U11 & U13 Sprint swim vs NCBIS, CES @MCE	TBC

Enjoy the half term holiday with your children.

Duncan Grice
Headmaster

Primary School News from Johnnie Kittermaster – Head of Primary School

The children have worked hard over this first half term and are fully deserving of the forthcoming mid-term break. It was lovely to give out so many House point Certificates and Credits on Tuesday at the celebration assembly. I hope that you all have a restful holiday and wish you a safe journey if you are travelling.

Year Three have been busy writing adventure stories! For the past four weeks we have been learning about characters, settings, dialogue and story structure. We read a wonderful book together called 'The Fantastic Flying Books of Mr. Morris Lessmore', by W.E. Joyce. We loved the story and the movie, so we used it to inspire our own stories. We worked very hard on creating a plan and then used that plan and our success criteria to write our own adventure story.

Here are some photographs of us writing our adventure stories.



Year Four explored their Humanities topic of 'Chocolate' with a morning of making a variety of tasty sweets at The Ganache Chocolate Factory.



They now understand the science behind the process of making chocolate and were very surprised at what a complicated procedure it is! The children thoroughly enjoyed this delicious learning experience and are very keen to explain to their friends and families the journey of a cocoa bean.

The children have been excited to select books from Omega Bookstore and Alef Bookstore. I hope that this encourages them to read over the half term.

Year 5 have been working hard to make their own volcanoes this week. This term's Humanities topic has included learning about the structure of the earth and how the movement of tectonic plates creates earthquakes and volcanoes. The children have been learning about the structure of a volcano, as well as the different types of volcano and what happens when they erupt. The lessons have been very practical and the children were extremely excited to see their own volcanoes erupting this week.

Remember that we are in Winter Uniform after half term. Please ensure that all items of uniform are named please.

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



Thank you all for your generous support of the Bake Sale last week, it was wonderful to see so many of our children participating. Baking with our children is such a joyful experience and to know the proceeds are going to a good cause gives the process a positive purpose.



So much fun was had by the Early Years children during our Halloween Parade, look out for more photographs of this in the next issue of the MCE Times! Can you spot the teachers amongst all the ghosts, ghouls and witches? All monies collected from your 10LE donations will go to support the Elgar House charity, Branches of the Vine, a special centre for special needs children in Zahraa El Maadi.

Please do take a look at the attached photo collages these just give a flavour of all the exceptionally rich learning experiences taking place across Early Years at MCE.

I hope you all enjoy a restful family half-term break together and I look forward very much to the next half of our Autumn Term.

STAR OF THE WEEK		Year 2 M	Sherif Said Malak Farag
PNM	Holly Moore	Year 2 A	Mariam El Sagheer Maryam Al Jabri
PNA	Sofia Gad	Year 3 M	Baraa El Kahky
NM	Dinah Ramoatlhodi	Year 3 A	Muhammed Ardahanly
NA	Marco Sidarous	Year 4 M	Youssef Shehata
NL	Omar Kamal	Year 4 A	Layla Abdeen
NV	Lama Youssef	Year 5 M	Alia Osman
RM	Adam El Gebely	Year 5 A	Dania Elfekiry
RA	Hla Diab	Year 6 M	Ahmed Abdeen
RL	Yassin Soliman	Year 6 A	Rola ElDebakey
Year 1M	Seena El Sherif	Year 6 L	Ziad Abdelhalim
Year 1A	Mariam Mahmoud		
Year 1L	Ahmed Abdel Kader		

House Points Standings

1 st	Foster
2 nd	Lewis
3 rd	Sanger
4 th	Elgar

Secondary School News from Wayne Maher – Head of Secondary



Another fantastically busy week at MCE with the PTC, Lip Sync competition and the Halloween Dress Up day all on top of the usual array of lessons. Well done to all students who performed in the Lip Sync battle, it was clear that a lot of effort has gone into the rehearsals, auditions and then the final show this afternoon. A huge well done to all students, and indeed staff, for the exceptional performances.



Student Leadership Training

On Tuesday 15 students entered F18 as new prefects and house captains. From the moment they came through the door Mr Moore was so impressed by their attitude, maturity, eagerness to learn and their sense of responsibility to their new roles. Throughout the day the students learnt what skills they needed to have to be effective prefects and the qualities they need to show. They spent time team building and before the end of their first task it was clear they were going to be a fabulous team. They had an opportunity to listen to Sebastian Hubbard, our gap co-teacher from Malvern UK, about his experience of being a Head of House. Lunch was provided for the team, and they eagerly ate

a number of pizzas before refocusing on scenario based exercises and leadership tasks. At the end of a tiring day there was a real buzz coming from the students and we have every confidence they are going to be fantastic prefects and house captains and we look forward to seeing what they can do over the course of the year.



Geography

This half term we have been grappling with some big issues in Geography, "Can the Development gap be closed?" Having studied why different countries are at different levels of development and how we measure this we have started to focus on how the gap can be closed. This huge issue was also the focus of the United Nations who in 2015 launched the *17 Sustainable*

Development goal. This clip explains the impact achieving these sustainable goals could have on our planet. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7V8oFI4GYMY>

House Points

Some big changes this week. Elgar have done an exceptional job over the last week by jumping up the ladder with the single biggest points increase of any House in one week. Sanger have also overtaken Foster to go back to the top once more.

1 st	Sanger
2 nd	Foster
3 rd	Elgar
4 th	Lewis

I would highly encourage all students to ensure that they are submitting their weekly totals to their tutors at the start of each week to ensure that their House has all points tallied.

We now have 14 pupils who have officially over 50 House Points and will soon receive their Bronze certificates. Although the younger students are leading the charge in the number of House points it is

wonderful to see far more of our older students picking up points at a far greater rate than last year (Year 10 have more House Points so far this term than they gained in the last two terms of last year!).

Number of Bronze certificates to be awarded:

Year 7 – 8

Year 8 – 2

Year 9 – 1

Year 10 – 3

Sports News from Iain Driscoll – Director of Sport



Last week I was delighted to host our first swim meet at MCE. With a total of 6 schools attending, it was by far the biggest sporting event MCE has hosted. I was delighted by the enthusiasm and professionalism of the MCE Swim team as they were the perfect hosts for the other schools. They were a real credit to both themselves and MCE. Despite not entering the U10 and U11 age groups, MCE came a very respectable 3rd place, beating much more established and larger schools. A full review of the results is below. I would like to thank all the teachers and administration staff who generously gave up their weekend to make this event such a success.

On Monday, our U16 girls travelled to CES to replay their previous league game. The girls, under the guidance of Mr. Birch have invested a lot of time and effort into improving their performance and are really benefitting from this. However, their Egyptian national team player scored a beautiful solo goal and added another with a long-range strike that saw the Lions defeated 2-0 and the overall spoils shared.

It has been a fantastic half term of sport at the College. We have participated in more fixtures already this term than we did last year, and I am very proud of this. I would like to thank our coaches for all their hard work as without them these fixtures could not have taken place: Mr. Birch, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Gale, Mr. Sussex, Ms. Swann, Mr. Salah, Mr. Diab and Ms. Alina.

SWIM RESULTS ARE BELOW

Name	Event	Category	Position	Time
Malak Abd Elmohosen	Front Crawl	U 10/Girls	3	18.78
Yassin Fawzy	Front Crawl	U11/Boys	4	41.97
Sedra El Ghandour	Front Crawl	U11/Girls	2	37.13
Mohammed El Kahky	Front Crawl	U13/Boys	1	33.4
Doga Harmanci	Front Crawl	U13/Girls	5	39.18
Omar Khairy	Front Crawl	U15/Boys	5	38.61
Jasmine Grice	Front Crawl	U15/Girls	2	35.85
Malak Abd Elmohsen	Breaststroke	U10/Girls	4	27.22
Yassin Fawzy	Breaststroke	U11/Boys	5	55.32
Sedra El Ghandour	Breaststroke	U11/Girls	2	48.03
Hussein Shoukair	Breaststroke	U13/Boys	3	46.65
Jana Omar	Breaststroke	U13/Girls	6	48.69
Mourad Hossny	Breaststroke	U15/Boys	2	36.68
Nisan Harmanci	Breaststroke	U15/Girls	4	1.00.03
Malak Abdelmohosen	Backstroke	U 10/Girls	4	23.62
Yassin El Nahas	Backstroke	U 11/Boys	5	48.44
Sedra El Ghandour	Backstroke	U 11/Girls	2	44.62
Seif Ewas	Backstroke	U 13/Boys	3	47.88
Jana Khairy	Backstroke	U 13/Girls	3	53.53
Timothy Marsh	Backstroke	U 15/Boys	3	50.66
Ziena Hany	Backstroke	U 15/Girls	3	46.93
Abd Elrahman Farag	Butterfly	U 11/Boys	3	46.19
Sedra El Ghandour	Butterfly	U 11/Girls	3	50.81
Mohammed ElTayeb	Butterfly	U 13/Boys	1	34.88
Abdelrahman Eladawi	Butterfly	U 15/Boys	5	38.9
Jasmine Grice	Butterfly	U 15/Girls	3	42.82

Music News from Tina Marsh – Director of Music

Parent Choir

The first of the Parent Choir sessions will take place at 8am on Mon 6th November, in G08, Music Room. Please bring your parent badges with you.

All parents are welcome to join, no need to sign up, just come along. We will be working on a performance for the Winter Concert, and then International Day.



Instrumental Lessons

Parents are reminded that payment must be made in full before lessons can begin. Please pay as soon as possible. There is still time to sign up for lessons.



Winter Concert

After half term, the music department turns into Christmas / Seasonal mode. The theme this year is Christmas in the Movies. Please help your children learn the words for their songs at home. I am sorry it seems so early.