

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 19 October 2017

Dear Parents and Friends of Malvern College Egypt

Parent Teacher Consultation Day – Wednesday 25th October

Details have been sent to you today by letter and email.



Change to Winter Uniform

We realise that the temperature is changing and that it can be a little cold for some of our students early in the morning. As a result, 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.



Book Sale Opportunities

As we did last year, Omega Books and Alef Book Shops will be available in school from Monday 23rd October through to Wednesday 25th October. This will give your children the opportunity to peruse the books and make some choices ahead of your appointments with their teachers on Parent teacher Consultation day.



Free Dress Day - Thursday 26th October

The theme is Halloween: Dead and red, and there will be prizes for the "Best Dressed" in each year group. Minimum donation is 10LE per child – all money goes to Elgar House Charity, Branches of the Vine, which is a centre for special needs children in Zahraa el Maadi.



Nutrition Committee

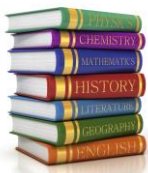
School lunches have been up and running for some weeks now. We would like to resume our nutrition committee made up of parents, school representatives as well as Lite Bite our dining room provider to discuss our menu and food provision.

Any parents who would like to join our nutrition committee please contact

inas.eldeeb@malverncollege.edu.eg

Uniform Shop Closure – Sunday 22nd and Monday 23rd October

Kindly note that Uniform Shop will be closed next Sunday 22nd and Monday 23rd of October for maintenance work.



Damaged School Text Books and Reading Books

There have been some instances of students writing in textbooks and reading books or generally bringing them back into school in a damaged state. Please note that if books are damaged beyond reasonable use, then parents will be billed for its replacement.



Why High Attendance is Important to Your Child's Education and Their Future?

As a parent we know you want the best for your child(ren). Having a good education is an important factor in opening more opportunities in adult life. Did you know that:

- a child who is absent a day of school per week misses an equivalent of two years of their school life
- 90% of young people in the UK with absence rates below 85% fail to achieve five or more good grades in their exams and around one third achieve no passes in their exams at all
- poor examination results limit young people's options and poor attendance suggests to colleges and employers that these students are unreliable.

Exams may seem a long way off for you and your child(ren) but all absence at any stage leads to gaps in your child's learning. This in turn can:

- mean that they fall behind in work
- affect their motivation
- affect their enjoyment of learning
- lead to poor behaviour
- affect their desire to attend school regularly
- affect their confidence in school
- mean they miss out on the social life of school and extracurricular opportunities and experiences
- affect their ability to have or keep friendships.

TIPS - THINGS YOU CAN DO TO SUPPORT SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

- Talk positively about attending school and learning
- Help your child get into a routine for getting ready to go to school stress-free
- Help your child to get ready for school in the morning
- Talk about the positive social aspects of the school environment:
 - Friends
 - Favourite classes
 - Favourite teachers
- Talk with your child about their long-term goals and dreams and how school can help them achieve their dreams



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 today. Here we have the Romani family and friends baking at home.



I will let you know the amount raised for the House charities next week. Thank you also to Ms. Belcher, the House Captains and Heads of house for arranging this.

Parent Information Session Next Week - Tuesday 24th October - 08:30

Whole College Parent Information Session – MCE Reporting & Grading



Friends of Malvern College Egypt in Action

At the weekend the Friends of Malvern went shopping to spend International Day funds that were allocated to Face Orphanage, the Lewis House charity. They bought 2 baby swings and lots of nappies!

Friends of Malvern College Egypt Charity Community Quiz Night

Winners will be announced next week.



FoMCE Charity Shoe Collection

We are collecting old shoes that you no longer want for the Association for the Protection of the Environment so that children in their school (and adults) can have shoes to wear. Boxes are in Early Years, Primary and Secondary School entrances.

College Guiding Statements

Our focus guiding statement next week is:

CGS 7: The College prepares children to take risks and show endurance and resilience to achieve goals Students at the College are encouraged to persevere as they encounter unfamiliar situations and explore new ideas and to be resilient in the face of adversity, inspiring the self-belief to become confident *risk takers*.



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 Resilience which is below:

Resilience

Showing persistence and perseverance in the face of difficulty. Having the ability to face challenges with confidence and with good humour. Being able to respond positively to setbacks and to see them as an opportunity to learn.

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

OCTOBER	EVENT	TIME
Friday 20	Cairo Schools Swim Meet @ MCE	AM
Tuesday 24	Year 4 Trip to Chocolate Factory	
Tuesday 24	Student Leadership Training - Prefects	
Tuesday 24	Whole College Parent Information Session - Reporting & Grading	
Wednesday 25	Parent Teacher Consultation Day	
Thursday 26	Elgar House Charity Dress Up Day – Red and Dead Halloween Theme	TBC
Oct 27 – Nov 5	Half Term Holiday	

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	TBC
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 weekend with your children.

Duncan Grice
Headmaster

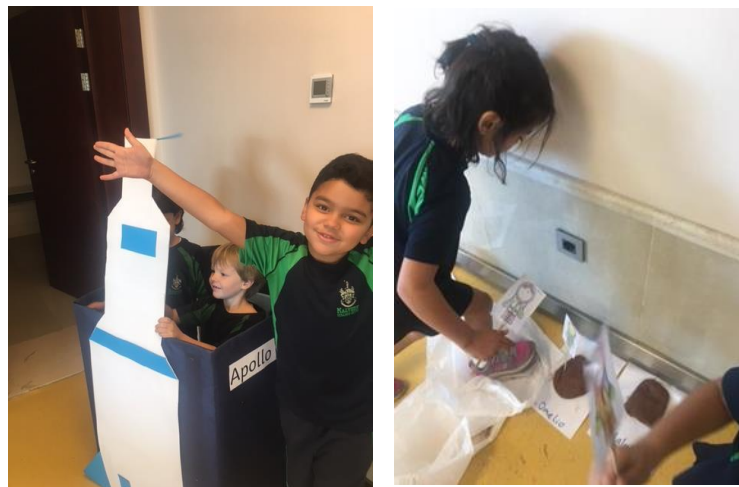
Primary School News from Johnnie Kittermaster – Head of Primary School



On Tuesday afternoon we were treated to some wonderful poetry performances in assembly. The Year 2 combined to perform a wonderful limerick with lots of actions which was most amusing. Then we progressed to the finals of the competition. There were some outstanding performances and judging was not easy. I was immensely proud of all of the finalists who delivered their poems in front of the school with such confidence. Well done to everyone.

Poetry Recital Class Winners		
Year 3M	Baraa ElKahky	Elephants in African Savannah
Year 3A	Ahmed Mostafa	The Donkey
Year 4M	Alhassan Hassan	Dog ate my homework
Year 4A	Melissa Mosatafa	Spaghetti Spaghetti
Year 5M	Hussain El Khidir	Gravity
Year 5 A	Kiana Boraie	Advent horizon
Year 6M	Soha Khatri	I'm late for school
Year 6A	Youssef Diaa	Natasha Green
Year 6L	Kamal Elfaragi	The owl and the pussycat

Year 1 have been learning about famous explorers including Christopher Columbus and Neil Armstrong. As part of our adventures, we took off in our rocket and stepped onto the moon. Children have really benefited from active role play in their learning.



Some medical forms were sent to you this week, please make sure to return them on Sunday 22nd October.

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

Another extremely busy week has passed within Early Years at MCE, culminating with the charity house bake sale today. I'm sure you will all agree how important it is for our children to understand the need for charity and to support those less fortunate than themselves. Thank you to those of you who baked cakes with your children for this event and to those of you who sent in the requested 10LE donation.

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.



STAR OF THE WEEK	
PNM	Adam Abou Elfetouh
PNA	Nour Ghobrial
NM	Lara Nasser
NA	Alya Elzoghby
NL	Razan Rateb
NV	Mohamed Abdelaziz
RM	Mostafa Fouad
RA	Karma Abdelhalim
RL	Joanna Driscoll
Year 1M	Yaseen Abdel Bary
Year 1A	Yassin Sabry
Year 1L	Sherif Labib

Year 2 M	Aly Azazy Farida El Zoghby
Year 2 A	Hamza Younis
Year 3 M	Maryam El Zarqa
Year 3 A	Muchiri Ryan
Year 4 M	Leilah Soliman
Year 4 A	Mohamed El Fekiry
Year 5 M	Joury Arafat
Year 5 A	David Romani
Year 6 M	Mostafa Gendya
Year 6 A	Ali Al Sabassy
Year 6 L	Halla Abdelsamiee

House Points Standings

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



Secondary School News from Wayne Maher – Head of Secondary

Malvern Qualities

Over the last few weeks, 17 students have received Praise Postcards from teachers. These cards are issued to students who have exemplified one or more of the Malvern Qualities. I have been amazed by the range of comments coming to me and other staff with examples of the wonderful attitude our students have. For example this week I was told that:

"During Lewis House meeting there was a large amount of rubbish left around the Piazza, 7 students stood up and helped the cleaners clean the piazza without being asked by anyone!"

I look forward to seeing more and more of these cards issued over the course of the year.



Prefect Leadership Day

Tuesday 24th October will see all 15 of the Secondary School student leadership team (the Prefect Council) take part in a day of leadership training. Mr Moore has developed a programme including activities from team building activities to leadership discussions. The Head Boy, Aly Marzouk, and Head Girl, Zeina Hany, will also lead their own activities, as

they begin to take on their role of running the Prefect Council.



Poetry

Over the past few weeks we have witnessed countless students dedicating many hours of extra study to reciting their poems for the poetry competition. The English teachers along with a wide range of staff had the privilege of hearing many of the recitals during the course of the week and were incredibly impressed with everyone. Miss Griffiths remarked

on what huge improvements have been shown by the students in attitude, composure and particularly the delivery of the poems since the first competition last year. We all had the pleasure of hearing the final winning poems from each age category at our assembly on Thursday afternoon. I was particularly amazed by the level of English on show from some of our second language speakers, some of whom even won their age group competition – it just shows what can be achieved through hard work and dedication to a task. The students were all exceptional. Congratulations to all students who performed their poems this week.

House Points Competition

Although the order in the overall House Point rankings below has not changed, there have been some significant gains within some Houses to close the gap on Foster at the front. It is also wonderful to see a growing number of students gaining access to Cilantro having now gained 50 or more House Points. These students will also soon be rewarded with their Bronze House Point certificate and I believe we might also be close to our first Secondary School students reaching 100 House Points.

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2 nd	Sanger
3 rd	Lewis
4 th	Elgar

Sports News from Iain Driscoll – Director of Sport



Our Under 11 football teams travelled the long distance to BIS Madinaty this week to play the next fixture within the NCSSP. After a long journey, the teams were eager to perform well and you can read about how they got on below.

We have the great pleasure of hosting our first swim meet at MCE on Friday. We host NCBIS, AIS (W), BISC, MBIS and ISC (6). Our swimmers are super excited to be able to compete at their own College and I look forward to reporting on this next week.



Girls Football

BIS Madinaty U11 0 v 2 MCE U11

Both teams worked hard to win the ball and create opportunities, with chances coming but no goals. At half time the game was 0-0 but after some coaching and encouragement, it was MCE who quickly gained an advantage in the second half with Clara Messiha, Farida Abouwarda and Hala El Gebely excelling. What was more impressive than the score was the spirit in which the game was played. Both teams demonstrated fairness and mutual respect to and for each other. Mr. Birch wishes to applaud both teams for their efforts. Well done!



Boys Football

BIS Madinaty U11 1 v 1 MCE U11

A wonderful performance from our boys who were disappointed that they didn't win the match. MCE were the better side and created a lot of chances, unfortunately an error in defence resulted in the draw. However, it is from such setbacks that you learn and I am confident that the boys will continue to progress during this season. Youssef Fawzy scored the MCE goal.

Girls Netball

NCBIS U16 11 v 16 MCE U16

NCBIS U13 18 v 8 MCE U13

Report next week.

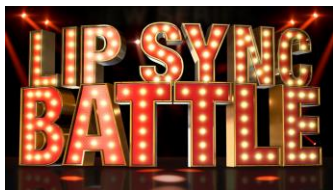


Teacher Sporting Achievements

Last weekend three staff golf teams from MCE competed in the Teachers Trophy at the JW Marriott. The Housewives favourites Mr. Grice and Mr. Kittermaster finished 2nd narrowly behind the champions Mr. Marsh and Mr. Gale who kindly posed with their trophy without their customary Sombreros! Congratulations to them and also to Mr. Driscoll and Mr. Bailey, the early tournament leaders, who mysteriously tired towards the end and slipped down the leaderboard into mid- table mediocrity.

Music News from Tina Marsh – Director of Music

Lip Sync Battle.



We have had a huge amount of fun in the music department watching the heats for the Lip Sync Battle on Thurs 26th Oct. The students have really put a lot of effort into it, and some of the performances are hugely entertaining. It will be a difficult choice for the judges. It is great to see both staff and students putting lots of energy into their performances. Final performers will be announced on Mon 23rd Oct.

Instrumental Lessons Update.



lessons can start.

All parents of students for Years 2 and above have received a letter about these this week. If parents could return these to school as soon as possible, I can arrange the instrumental teachers to come into school after half term. Please remember full payment will be needed before