



# Elementary EXPRESS

Elementary Office Publication

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### Important Dates

#### Sunday, November 18

Saqqara Pyramid Trip  
5L  
8:15 a.m. – 12:00

Sunbird Farm Trip  
2W  
8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

#### Monday, November 19

ES Report Cards Sent Home

ES Thursday Schedule

Gr. 2 Cuddle Up and Read Day  
8:30 – 10:30 a.m.  
Rm. 600

Arabic Speaking Parents Group Mtg.  
1:30 – 3:00 p.m.  
Rm. 600

#### Tuesday, November 20

ES Parent/Teacher Conferences  
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
NO SCHOOL for ES Students

Photo Retakes  
9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
Rm. 600

#### Wednesday, November 21

Professional Development  
Early Release Day  
All Students Dismissed at 11:30 a.m.

#### Thursday, November 22

U.S. Thanksgiving Holiday  
NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

## What's For LUNCH

**Sunday** – Homemade beef sausage and mashed potatoes with green beans = 12 LE

**Monday** – Pizza + wafer + juice = 7 LE for 1 slice; 10 LE for 2 slices; 12 LE for 3 slices / (**Extra Drinks = 2 LE**)

**Tuesday** – Baked chicken fingers + potato wedges + fresh fruit = 12 LE

**Wednesday** – Meatball's with tomato based sauce + rice + fresh fruit = 12 LE

**Thursday** – Pasta with meat sauce, cheese, steamed vegetables with fresh fruit = 12 LE

**Max's coupons may be used Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. 10 coupons for 120 LE available in the ES office or at Max's Restaurant. Cash only on Mondays!**

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19**

**WILL RUN AS THURSDAY SCHEDULE FOR ES STUDENTS**

## Principal's Note

**Can't Be Late!**

**An appointment with a teacher**

**Definitely can't be late**

**An appointment on Tuesday the 20th**

**A very important date**

**My time is scheduled in the queue**

**Others patiently waiting for their time too**

**If we all arrive on time**

**The schedule will work just fine**

**So I just can't be late**

**For my very special teacher date**

Hello Everyone,

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you to conferences next Tuesday. This is a wonderful opportunity to discuss your child's progress with his/her teachers and to gain insights about your child as a learner and member of their classroom community. Your individual appointment times were sent home this week and your child's report card will be sent home via the "Back Pack Express" this coming Monday, November 19.

We have worked hard to accommodate your requests for appointments & times. It is important to realize that our specialist teachers have over 100 plus students and it is impossible for us to schedule appointments for each and every child they teach. If you were unable to secure an appointment with a specialist teacher and really feel that you would like to speak to a particular teacher, we would encourage you to e-mail the teacher and set up an opportunity to talk outside the conference day. In addition if you are unable to make a scheduled appointment we ask that you contact Eman Hamza at 2755 5203 or email Eman at [ehamza@cacegypt.org](mailto:ehamza@cacegypt.org) as soon as possible to notify us of your change in plans.

**Monday, November 26**

Maadi Monastery Trip  
9:00 – 10:30 a.m.  
1P

**Wednesday, November 28**

Saqqara Pyramid Trip  
5H-5R  
8:15 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Maadi Monastery Trip  
1R  
9:00 – 10:30 a.m.

**Thursday, November 29**

Degla School Grade 2

Maadi Monastery Trip  
1L  
9:00 -10:30 a.m.

Thank you to our Elementary Counselors, David Neat & Zach Secrist as well as their guest Emina Kartal from the Maadi Psychology Center, for our fantastic "Health Family Health Children" forum. With 60+ participants this event was extremely well received and a hit among the parents in attendance. Raising healthy children is important to all of us so kudos to presenters and participants.

A reminder that Elementary students are always welcome on campus, provided they are supervised by an adult. Adult supervision is more than simply being on campus with children. Our expectation is that parents accompanying children actively supervise and are fully aware of what their children are doing at all times. We would like to remind everyone that unless a child is supervised, staying after-school for an organized activity or staying to work in the Library (grade 3-5), elementary students are required to leave campus at the end of the school day.

Elementary children have classes on Sunday and Monday of next week with no classes on Tuesday, due to parent conferences. Classes will be back in session on Wednesday morning for all ES students, with an early dismissal at 11:30 for all CAC students. There is no school on Thursday in celebration of American Thanksgiving.

Hmmm... Thinking of Thanksgiving and a long weekend coming up, what a great opportunity to gather some books and plan a family reading party. Give thanks for the gift of literacy, all the great books in our world and for our ability as readers to share in them.

Thank you for your continued support. Be sure to enjoy the weekend and try to find some time to read to your children and have them read a "just right book" to you.

See you at Parent Conferences.

Regards,

**Seamus Marriott**  
Elementary principal  
[smarriott@cacegypt.org](mailto:smarriott@cacegypt.org)

**LET'S LEAVE GENTLE FOOTPRINTS ON OUR PLANET**

Be sure that re-useable items are truly re-useable! Make it a family project to LABEL all of your child's items that are brought to school. Many things in our Lost and Found would not be there if the child's name and class code were clearly labeled on them.

**Announcements**



**LOST AND FOUND REMINDER**

**OPEN ON PARENT CONFERENCES DAY  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20  
8:00 A.M. -3:00 P.M.**

We are still getting more and more of lost items at the Lost and Found. We still have many swim bags, lunch bags and water bottle holders, variety of plastic food containers, books, mobiles, prescription glasses and sun glasses, soft toys (dogs and dolls), flip flops, footballs and caps. Please come and check if your child has lost anything. Thanks!

***Please, please help us to help you by making sure that your children's clothing, etc. are labeled with their names. Thank you!***

**8 NOVEMBER 2007**

**REMINDER FROM THE ELEMENTARY LIBRARY:**

Our calendar shows that report cards will come out on Monday 19 November. That means it's time for students to bring in ALL overdue books, magazines and movies (DVD or video). We want to avoid having any report cards blocked because of overdues. Thanks for your effort!

**MBA BASKETBALL SIGN-UPS SATURDAY**

The Maadi Basketball Association is a coed basketball league for grades 3-8. Games are on Saturdays & practices 1-2 nights per week. The season runs from mid-December to early March. Our focus is on skill development and teamwork. We make a big effort to keep the teams balanced. We will have late registration on Saturday, November 17, 9-12 am at CAC. Fees are 250 LE. Contact Troy Smith (010-500-4195) with any questions. Volunteer coaches are always needed and welcome!

**NEED AN EARLY CHRISTMAS PRESENT?**

Why not buy Peace cards? Beautifully illustrated depictions of Peace brought to you by our own CAC students. A set of 5 cards for only 20LE.

Where: inside the front gate

When: 3:00-3:30 pm every Sunday until December 16 (while supplies last)

**CAC EMAC FORENSICS AND DEBATE TOURNAMENT**

CAC will again be hosting this prestigious and academic event from Dec 7th-9th.

Judges for this event are drawn from the community and we invite you to take part in this worthwhile and rewarding experience.

There are eight performance events; debate, impromptu speaking, duet acting comic and serious, oral interpretation comic and serious, oratory and extemporaneous speaking.

Judges can choose up to two events and training sessions will be provided in November and early December.

Please contact Jonathan Bryans or Jocelyn Popinchalk to express your interest or with any further questions. [jbryans@cacegypt.org](mailto:jbryans@cacegypt.org); [jpopinchalk@cacegypt.org](mailto:jpopinchalk@cacegypt.org).

Thank you.

**BOOK FAIR RAFFLE**

There are still many great raffle prizes left from Opening Night of Book Fair. Check your tickets if you still have them. You may be the winner of a great prize! Here are the numbers:

188 (AB73205)  
239 (AB73205)  
234 (AB73205)  
208 (AB73205)

209 (AB73205)  
315 (AR294889)  
157 (AR 294889)  
243 (AB73205)

## WEEKEND WITH CLAUDE MONET

### **TISSUE COLLAGE WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN TAUGHT BY KIMBERLY ODEKIRK**



After a brief history of the French Master Impressionist, Monet, the children will study drawing and collage techniques with hands-on demonstrations in the creation of their own version of "Water Lilies". The artwork will be professionally double matted and framed, making it the perfect addition to your family gallery, or as a treasured gift for a loved one.

Fri-Sat, DEC 7-8, 1:00 pm-3:30 pm, CAC, Room 626, Grades 3-8 \$60. Please reserve space with Kimberly Odekirk, Tel: 010-517-6831 or the Activities Office, Tel: 2755-5461, or [sserry@cacegypt.org](mailto:sserry@cacegypt.org)

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## PTO ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **FACULTY & STAFF APPRECIATION DAY**

The Faculty & Staff appreciation Coordinators / PTO would like to thank all parents who donated money and food or volunteered with their time. This event would not have been possible without your dedications.

Special thanks go to Community Service Director Mr. Mark Sullivan and School Support Department. Thank you for the time and energy you devoted. Thanks to our janitors and transportation staff for all their hard work. It would not have been possible without your help.

Once again thank you and PTO appreciates your contribution and effort.

### **BOOK FAIR 2007**

Book Fair 2007 was a huge success! Many thanks to parents, teachers and volunteers for your unwavering support; without your help it would not have been possible. We would like also to thank Samantha France, Jacqueline Seneshan, Lynn Towart, Eden Unger Bowditch, Piu Lahiri, Julie Annis, Howada Fayyad, Carol King-Reed, and Roberta Miller for helping with decoration, advertising and book order. Special thanks to **Lisa Buser**, and **Jane Cowper** for their enthusiasm and effort in organizing the Book Fair.

### **FOR INTERESTED PARENTS**

After two consecutive years of organizing Book Fairs, Jane and Lisa decided to hand it over to a new team with new ideas; so if you are interested in books and would like to take over Book Fair 2008 contact Elmare Maurin or Lisa Buser at:

[maurinfamily@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:maurinfamily@yahoo.co.uk)

[blgbuser@bluewin.ch](mailto:blgbuser@bluewin.ch)



### **MCC FELUCCA RIDE**

Come and join us for a two hour sail on the Nile River, on Sunday, November 25th. The fee for the felucca ride will be divided among all participants. The ride will be followed by lunch at TGI-Fridays, on a self-pay basis.

Meeting point will be at 10.30 am **in front of TGI-Fridays** at the Corniche Al-Nil in Maadi (the second entrance to Maadi – in front of gasoline station)

Those interested in participating please sign up before November 20th by emailing:

[helga@meinardus.net](mailto:helga@meinardus.net).