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What's For LUNCH

Sunday – NO SCHOOL- Islamic New Year Holiday.

Monday – Pizza + wafer + juice = 7 LE for 1 slice; 10 LE for 2 slices; 12 LE for 3 slices.

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

Wednesday – Beef stew + white rice + fresh fruit = 12 LE

Thursday – Pasta with meat sauce/tomato sauce + cheese + steamed vegetables + fresh fruit = 12 LE

Important Dates

Sunday, January 21

NO SCHOOL
 Islamic New Year Holiday

Wednesday, January 24

Egyptian Museum Trip
 3M-3T
 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

PTO International Cooking
 Class
 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 25

PreK Sing-Along
 12:00 p.m.
 Rm. 600

Principals' Note

Hello Everyone,

We as an Elementary staff are very excited about the upcoming visit of Bonnie Campbell Hill to our campus. Bonnie is a world class presenter and author with a focus on literacy instruction and assessment. Even though Bonnie is booked two years in advance we found a block of time in her schedule and jumped at the opportunity to have her join us here at CAC. As Bonnie's visit was not on our original school calendar we have had to make some changes to take full advantage of her visit. It is important to note that we are not taking any instructional days away from our calendar, we are simply reassigning some of our ERD time to match with Bonnie's dates at CAC.

Here are the important changes that you need to be aware of on our school calendar.

March 1 st – Half Day for ES students – 11:30 Dismissal

On our current calendar **Thursday, March 1** is listed as an ES clerical day in the morning and Professional Development in the afternoon meaning no school for ES students. The change is that now **ES students will have classes on the morning of March 1 and will be dismissed at 11:30.** ES teachers will have clerical time in the afternoon. The net outcome of this change is that we gain a half day of Professional Development that we can apply to Bonnie's visit.

Sunday March 25 - No school for ES students

This a regular day of school on our current calendar. Due to Bonnie's visit this will become a full day of Professional Development for ES teachers, therefore there will be **no school for ES students on this day** . Besides Sunday our ES teachers will also be working with Bonnie for a full day on Saturday- giving up part of their weekend to take part in this workshop.

Tuesday, May 1 – Regular School Day for all ES Students

Originally May 1 is an ERD day for the whole school with students dismissing at 11:30. ES teachers will give up this half day release and apply the half day to the time used on March 25 th .

In total ES teachers will reassign their half day Professional Development on March 1 and May 1 to a full day on March 25. We greatly appreciate your support of these calendar changes to assist us in our professional development which in the end improves the quality of instruction in our classrooms. We apologize in advance for any inconvenience the date changes may cause, but it is our hope that by alerting you in January there is sufficient time for you to make plans and mitigate any potential difficulties. If you have any questions regarding these changes please go to the detailed calendar on the CAC website <http://www.cacegypt.org/calendar/index.php> for more information, or simply contact us as we are more than willing to assist you.

Please have a fantastic long weekend and time with your family.

Regards,

Seamus Marriott

Elementary School Principal

SAFETY AT DISMISSAL TIME

To help ensure our students' safety as they dismiss we appreciate parents reminding children about the following:

- Ball playing on the sidewalks poses a safety risk with the traffic.
- Children need to leave when the driver has arrived. It is not allowed to ask the driver to wait while a child returns to play along the sidewalk.
- Listening with respect to the security guards and teacher aides on duty at the front gate is always expected.

Thank you so much for your support as we try to make CAC a safer place every day!

Announcements

ARABIC SPEAKING PARENTS SUPPORT GROUP

The Arabic Speaking Parents Support Group meeting will take place on January 29 th at 2:00 p.m. in room 600. Dr. Samir Abulmagd will talk about Anger Management and Parenting. All Arabic speaking parents are welcome! See you there!

PTO INTERNATIONAL COOKING CLASS

"Parents for Peace" offers Egyptian and English dishes for this month's cooking class. Learn how to make Za'tar and Koshari by Soumaia Amin and English Pudding by Pamela Merghani with the cultural feel of home on Wednesday, January 24 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. **There are no fees but the class is limited to 20** . Please contact Cathy Gaoli at cgaoli@ssafara.net for more information and to register.

CAC PTO

PTO GARAGE SALE

Cleaning out your closets or need to get rid of too much stuff? Why not rent a table at the PTO Garage Sale on **Saturday, February 24 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Victory College** . Any CAC parent may rent a table for 100 LE, but hurry; space is limited! **Only 30 tables will be rented on a first come, first serve basis for best location** . For more information and to reserve your table, please contact Zahra Ahmed at kzrq28usa@yahoo.com or 010-175-1097. Information about ticket sales to attend this event will be announced early next month.

THE 100 TH DAY OF SCHOOL IS FEBRUARY 5!

An activity day will be held in Room 600 for students in Kg, Grade 1, and Grade 2. If you would like to volunteer to help during this day with your child's class or others, we would love to have you! Please email Hala Sabry at hsabry@cacegypt.org or Gail Neff at ganeff@cacegypt.org . You will be glad you did.

MIKE ROSS MEMORIAL DIGLA DASH - 2007

The DIGLA DASH will take place on Friday, February 2nd! Third, fourth, and fifth graders are invited to participate in the 2.5 kilometer fun run. Parents may participate in the 2.5 km run, the 5 km race, or even the 10 km race... whatever suits your needs best. Third and fourth graders must be accompanied on the fun run/walk by a parent or other adult. One adult could run with two or three youngsters.

The races will take place in Wadi Digla (transportation provided to/from CAC) between 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Entry forms are available for Elementary students from their PE teachers. They are also in the MS Office, the HS Office, and the Athletic Office. Completed entries and payment must be returned to the Athletic Office **only** . Please do not send money to classroom or PE teachers.

All proceeds are contributed to the construction of a children's hospital in the name of Mike Ross, a former teacher and coach at CAC who died of cancer. Be a part of this great day of races!

On line Registration website link is :

<http://www.cacegypt.org/MikeRoss/index.html>

Ellen Youssif, Alexandra Macaulay, Susan Etcheverry

Elementary PE Teachers

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