



# Elementary EXPRESS

Elementary Office Publication

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### Important Dates

#### Sunday, May 9

5S Field Trip  
9:00 a.m.-1:45 p.m.  
Fatimid Cairo

ES Snack Sale  
10:00-11:00 a.m.  
Near ID Office

Eagle Scout Board of  
Review  
7:00-9:00 p.m.  
Room 600

#### Monday, May 10

KG Field Trip  
8:30-11:30 a.m.  
Cairo Zoo

#### Tuesday, May 11

Grades 2 & 3 Concert  
10:00-11:00 a.m.  
Theater

ES Snack Sale  
10:00-11:00 a.m.  
Near ID Office

Grade 2 Concert  
7:00-8:00 p.m.  
Theater

#### Wednesday, May 12

Grade 3 Concert  
7:00-8:00 p.m.  
Theater

#### Thursday, May 13

ES Snack Sale  
10:00-11:00 a.m.  
Near ID Office

## What's For LUNCH

**Sunday** – Mexican sausage casserole with vegetables in tomato sauce = 15 LE

**Monday** – Koshari + drink = 15 LE (**Cash only today!**)

**Tuesday** – Baked chicken fingers + potato wedges + veggies = 15 LE

**Wednesday** – Beef burger on bun + carrot sticks = 15 LE

**Thursday** – Pasta with meat sauce + veggies = 15 LE

Max's coupons may be used on Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. Coupons are available in the ES office or at Max's Restaurant, 10 for 150 LE. All Max's meals are served with fresh fruit and a drink option of milk, juice, or bottled water. Second portions of Max's meals are available at a cost of 8 LE.

## Principal's Note

Hello Everyone,

Our CAC campus is certainly living up to its reputation of being a hubbub of activity when you look at our calendar and see the kaleidoscope of scheduled activities. Within our elementary community this week, we wrapped up our Spring session of our MAP tests, our KG students performed wonderfully during their in-class music performances, our grade 2 students held their annual necklace sale to support the purchase of school supplies for Degla Public School students, and we had some 2010/11 Pre-K and KG applicants on campus for "get to know you" screening activities. Add in some reader's theater performances, our various class trips and our myriad of after-school activities that occur each day and, as I said, definitely a hubbub of activity!

Our up-tempo pace continues next week with our grade 2 and 3 students in the spotlight as they show off their musical talents in their annual concert. A combined performance will be held on Tuesday morning, May 11, at 10:00 a.m. and separate evening concerts will be held on Tuesday night for grade 2 and Wednesday evening for Grade 3. Both evening performance begin at 7:00 p.m. and will be held in the Theater. A must-attend for parents and families of grade 2 and 3 students and all community members who enjoy music by young performers.

As a calendar reminder, please note that Tuesday, May 18, will be an Early Release Day (ERD). All ES students will be dismissed at 11:30 a.m.

As a final note, I would like to wish all the mothers in our school community a Happy Mother's Day. I hope you all have a precious time with your families this weekend. Moms—enjoy the extra attention and pampered status – you deserve it!!

Thank you for another terrific week at CAC Elementary!

Regards,  
**Seamus Marriott**  
Elementary Principal

### HEALTH UPDATE

One case of measles has been reported in the Middle School, grade 8. We would like to take this opportunity to encourage all families to review their immunization records and be sure they are up to date with the CAC Health requirements. Please contact the Health Office @ 2755-5533 if you have any questions.

Thank you,

**Angie Tipton**  
CAC Head Nurse

## OLD CAC DIRECTORIES

If you have old CAC directories or other items containing contact details/information about CAC community members which you would like to shed before moving but have no way to shred these materials, we can help. Please drop off any CAC-produced materials like phone directories to our front gate, and we will ensure these items are shredded and recycled.

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## HOW CAN YOU SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S WRITING AT HOME?

### Help your child publish their writing!

Publishing is simply going public with writing. This can be done in many ways. Publishing can be reading writing to as many people as possible, placing writing on the refrigerator or other easily-seen area, or making a homemade book. The possibilities are endless. Another way to publish is to have your child write for kids' magazines or websites. Check out these options for publishing children's work:

<http://www.stonesoup.com/>

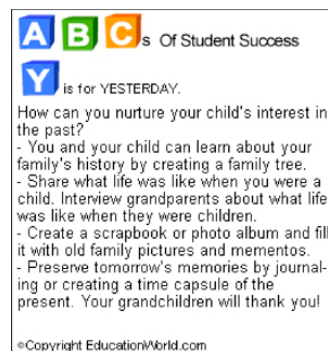
<http://www.cyberkids.com/>



**Parent pointers** Focusing on the Importance of Learning

- ▶ Talk positively about the importance of education.
- ▶ Let your child see how much you enjoy and value learning.
- ▶ It is OK if you do not have all the answers to your child's questions, but it is important to show that you know how to find the answers.
- ▶ Learning builds confidence, and a child who is confident is more open to new opportunities to learn.

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**A B C**s Of Student Success

**Y** is for YESTERDAY.

How can you nurture your child's interest in the past?

- You and your child can learn about your family's history by creating a family tree.
- Share what life was like when you were a child. Interview grandparents about what life was like when they were children.
- Create a scrapbook or photo album and fill it with old family pictures and mementos.
- Preserve tomorrow's memories by journaling or creating a time capsule of the present. Your grandchildren will thank you!

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Can you adopt Patches?

Patches (aka Mama Cat) has lived at CAC for more than 12 years. With the new no-feeding policy at CAC, she and 7 other cats had to find another home. She is currently living with Miss Wolden and made the transition to indoor cat very easily as far as using the litter box and being inside. However, she would be happiest being in a home where she is the **only cat**. Miss Wolden has two large cats that do not bother her, but they still make Patches nervous. She is great with children who are gentle. If you would consider giving Patches a home (one with a garden would be best but others would also be welcome), please contact Liz Wolden at extension 5255 or Darla El Khafif at extension 5203.



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### CALLING ALL BASEBALL FANS!

CAC will be hosting the ISST 2010 Baseball Tournament from May 27-29 at the fields at Victory College. This is a huge event with twelve teams participating, and will be a fantastic weekend in the Maadi community. The CAC After-Prom committee, who handles concessions for CAC events, desperately needs your help.

As this event falls at a very busy time at the end of the school year, we need help from the entire community. Please consider taking a shift or two on the concession schedule and help us make this a great

community event. We need about ten volunteers per shift for three days, Thursday (May 27) through Friday (May 29). The shifts are as follows:

7:30-10:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m.-1: 30 p.m.

1:30-4: 30 p.m.

4:30-7:30 p.m.

We also need lots of delicious individually wrapped baked goods for all our hungry players!

If you can help with this event, either by working a shift or donating baked goods, please contact Melanie Nelson at [melanieextex@hotmail.com](mailto:melanieextex@hotmail.com) or call 010-361-3083. Please make sure your email includes your name, mobile phone number, email address and the day and time of the shift you would like. If you are flexible and don't care where you are put, just tell me that, too! Also, please let me know if you can donate baked goods. I will email you a reminder before the tournament.

Thanks in advance for your help. It will be a fun weekend, you'll see some great baseball and you will have supported both CAC and the After-Prom Committee, which hosts CAC's drug- and alcohol-free after-prom party each year. Thanks for your time and consideration!

**Melanie Nelson**

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#### **OVERDUE LIBRARY REMINDER**

As the school year is coming to a close, please remember to return any overdue library materials your child may have. All ES library materials **must be returned no later than Tuesday, May 13**. Any students with overdue library materials WILL NOT receive his/her report card until library items are either returned or reimbursed through the cashier. See the section below from the CAC Library for more details.

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#### **BOOK RETURNS TO ES COUNSELING**

Dear Parents,

As we are nearing the end of another school year, please check your book shelves for any books you may have borrowed from the elementary counseling office. We need to take inventory and get ready to move to the new building. Please try to return any borrowed books as soon as convenient. If you are in the middle of a book and want to finish, just let the counseling office know. Thank you!

**Zach Secrist**

ES Counseling

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#### **LOST & FOUND**

Please note that Lost & Found is open daily from 7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. The room is located through the ID Office doors, straight ahead. There are many, many items such as water bottles, clothing, lunchboxes, and costume jewelry. If your child is missing something, come have a look. Unclaimed items will be donated to charity at the end of the school year. **PLEASE NOTE THAT MAY 27 IS THE LAST DAY TO COLLECT ITEMS FROM LOST & FOUND.** All remaining items after that date will be donated to charity.

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#### **5W SERVICE PROJECT**

5W is sponsoring a Service Learning Project called "Protect the Children to Preserve the Future". We are offering classes to help raise money for Sudanese refugees in a very poor part of Cairo called Kilo Arbaa' waa Nuss. The courses we are offering are:

**Parent/Child Homemade-Pizza-Making Class:** Monday, May 10, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. and Wednesday, May 19, from 4:00-6:00 p.m.

**Creating a Web Page using Google Apps:** Monday, May 10, from 7:00-8:30 p.m.

**What Parents Need to Know About the Latest Brain Research:** Monday, May 17, from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

**Buying Investment Property in Egypt** by Mohamed Abdullah, CEO, Coldwell Banker: Monday, May 17, from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Each of these classes cost 200 LE, with all the proceeds going to help refugee children. The cooking class is 200 LE per parent/child with 100 LE food fee, so 300 LE total for 2 people.

We are also hosting a **Mini-Genius Bar** where you can come and have our 5th grade experts walk you through any questions you might have on using your iPhone, iPod Touch or iPod. The students will also be teaching common text messaging phrases.

You can find out more information at [www.cacegypt.org](http://www.cacegypt.org)--just click on the link for 5W Service Learning Project. There is a link to register online. These classes are open for people with or without a CAC ID, so please invite your friends to support this great cause!

We will have collection bins around the school, including the front and back gates, starting May 9, for toys and games you might be wanting to get rid of as you are packing to move. We will also be collecting school supplies like partially used notebooks and crayons to pass those onto the refugee schools as well. We'll provide more information on that soon.

Thank you for your support in publicizing and attending these efforts to help!

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#### **MOVING ON FROM CAC AT THE END OF THE YEAR?**

To help us prepare your records in time for your departure, please use the link below to let us know if you are withdrawing from CAC this year.

<http://www.cacegypt.org/about/withdraw.php>

#### ***Danya Amin***

Director of Admissions/Registrar

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#### **CAC LIBRARY**

##### **END-OF-THE-YEAR DATES**

##### **May - June 2010**

Library Closes

##### **Tuesday, June 1:**

Last day of school for Elementary students

##### **Wednesday, June 2:**

Last day of school for Middle / High school students. The library will close at 1:30 p.m.

##### **End-of-the-Year Due Dates**

All library items need to be returned by the following days.

**Thursday, May 13:** ALL ES Students and Community members

**Thursday, May 20:** ALL Middle and High Students Faculty

**Thursday, May 27:** Elementary Library Closed for the rest of the school year.

##### **Elementary Summer Borrowing**

Due to the move to the new library, **NO** borrowing will take place this summer.

##### **Middle and High School Summer Borrowing / Registration**

ONLY for the Middle / High School Library

All accounts need to be cleared before patrons may borrow. All Elementary students (Rising 5th graders and

younger) who want to borrow from the Middle / High School library need to fill in a form signed by a parent. Forms will be available at the library circulation desk from Thursday, May 20.

**Summer Borrowing (5 days)**

10 a.m. Saturday, May 29, to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 2

**THE LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED DURING THE SUMMER**

Library book-drop boxes will be available starting **Sunday, August 8**

**Middle / High School** will resume Community Hours on the first day of school, **Sunday, 15 August**, when all items are due. Information about the new **Elementary Library** will be shared when it is available.



**CAIRO AMERICAN COLLEGE**

Help The **NEEDY**

Proceeds Benefit Children in Arbaa' waa Nuss

Sponsored by Students in 5W

**PROTECT THE YOUNG TO PRESERVE THE FUTURE**

"Buying Investment Property in Egypt"  
By: Mr. Mohamed Abdalla, CEO, Coldwell Banker

Parent/ Child Pizza Making Class

Technology Class: "Using Google Apps to make a Web Page"

Mini Genius Bar to answer questions about using your iPod, iPod Touch, iPhone, etc.

"What Parents Need to Know about Latest Brain Research"

Classes begin Wed, May 5th  
Course fees range from 50 LE to 300 LE  
Please see attached form or go to [www.cacegypt.org](http://www.cacegypt.org) for more information and to register  
Guests from outside the CAC Community are welcome