



# Elementary EXPRESS

Elementary Office Publication

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## Important Dates

### Sunday, Sept. 11

After-School Activities  
Begin

### Monday, Sept. 12

Specialists'/ELL Night &  
Family Picnic

5:00-7:00 p.m.

Classrooms/ES Lawn

## What's For LUNCH

**Sunday:** Grilled chicken fingers, penne pasta with tomato sauce, tomato & cucumber salad = **20 LE**

**Monday:** Koshari, drink & biscuit = **15 LE (Cash only today!)**

**Tuesday:** Chicken nuggets, oven-roasted potato cubes, oven-roasted vegetables = **20 LE**

**Wednesday:** Beef kofta, penne pasta with tomato sauce, carrot & cucumber sticks = **20 LE**

**Thursday:** Chicken strips w/BBQ sauce, mashed potatoes, oven-roasted vegetables = **20 LE**

**Richoux will serve a seasonal fresh fruit salad with each meal and a choice of milk or Juhayna Pure juice.**

## Principal's Note

Dear Parents,

Thank you for attending another Back-to-School Night and for showing your dedication and commitment to your child's education. Research shows that parent support at home with reading and homework does improvement student achievement and develops the skills your child needs to be a lifelong learner. Our Specialist Back-to-School Night is this coming Monday, September 12, from 5:00-6:00 p.m. ELL teachers will also be presenting during this time in Room 213 in the ES Library. The PE teachers will be down in the ES Hall. All other teachers will be in their classrooms or offices. This will all be followed by the Family Picnic on the school lawn,, so bring food, blankets and smiles and share in some community time.

We introduced our Community Advisory Team (CAT) members at the Back-to-School Night. In case you were not able to attend the parent assembly at 5:45, let me introduce the CAT members:

KG - Pamela Gutmann ([pamelagozo@yahoo.com](mailto:pamelagozo@yahoo.com))  
 Gr. 1 - David Ogden ([david.ogden@sohoprint.net](mailto:david.ogden@sohoprint.net))  
 Gr. 2 - Nadia Wassef ([nadia.wassef@diwanegypt.com](mailto:nadia.wassef@diwanegypt.com))  
 Gr. 3 - Madeline Harrison ([madelharrison@hotmail.com](mailto:madelharrison@hotmail.com))  
 Gr. 4 - Marwa Abbas ([mabbas@eg.ibm.com](mailto:mabbas@eg.ibm.com))  
 Gr. 5 - Suzanne Harrison ([sharrison@grapevine.com.au](mailto:sharrison@grapevine.com.au))  
 PTO Rep - Helga Meinardus  
 Teacher Reps - Mrs. Rucki and Mrs. Istambouli

The CAT reps meet once a month with the administrative team, Ms. Carrel and I, to discuss elementary school issues and parent concerns. Administration uses this time to inform parents about initiatives that we are bringing forward at the elementary school and to be aware of issues that our parents feel is a major concern about the school. Concerns with your child's class should be addressed directly with the teacher. Be sure to contact your child's teacher and set up an appointment to address concerns about your child's learning. Our first meeting is on September 20, so be sure to contact your child's grade-level representative if you need more information. As a courtesy, I would ask that you wait until after our first meeting as many members are new and will not be familiar with their role until after that first meeting.

Richoux's Coffee Shop will be open each day from 7:00-11:00 a.m. and again from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Elementary students are not allowed to purchase food or drink from any of the campus stores until after 3:00 p.m. This policy ensures that parent wishes to monitor what a child is eating and drinking is honored while your child is at school. Parents are always welcome to stay after school with their children, but we ask that you please monitor your child's play. We have only one monitor who supervises the campus after school and her role is to assist students who are staying for after-school activities. Teachers are normally busy working in their classes after 3:00, so please ensure that your child is supervised if they are in the elementary building. Please also remember that the Health Office closes each day at 5:00 p.m. during after-school activities.

Well, the school year is in full swing and student learning is on everyone's mind. Our dedicated teachers have done a wonderful job engaging our students and preparing inviting environments for learning. Thank you, parents, for also preparing your child for learning by listening to your child read each night, preparing a quiet area with needed materials for homework and for talking about his/her learning each day. Educating children is a partnership between parents and teachers and we thank you for developing and nurturing that partnership each year.

Sincerely,  
**Mr. T. Moniz**

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **BAKER BOOK CATALOGS ARE COMING SOON!**

Baker Books is a company based in the UK that has a great selection of books for our students to order. We will be sending the catalogs/order forms home with students on Sunday, September 18. When placing an order, please double check totals and include exact change in LE. Checks are not accepted. Any overpayment will be returned by Baker Books at the time of book delivery. Below is the timeline for Baker Book orders:

September 18 – Baker Books catalogs will be sent home with students.

September 25, **8:00 a.m.** – Deadline for orders to be turned in to the classroom teacher.

Late October – Books will be delivered.



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### **AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES (ASA) NEWS**

Schedule emails of finalized activities will be sent out on Thursday, September 8, 2011. Session 1 runs September 11-October 20, 2011. During the week of September 11-16, students will meet ASA instructors at the blue tables next to the lunchroom window to be taken to their classes. In the following weeks (starting Sunday, September 18), students will go to their classes on their own. **Please advise students to come to my office if they forget where their ASA class is held!**

If you chose Robotics (we do Robots or MusiQ Club), please take the time next week to stop by the Cashier's Office (Reda Ibrahim) on the third floor of the Administration Building to pay the required fees. *For students taking the bus:* Buses will leave at 4:10 and 5:30. Students in after-school activities that end at 5:00 can wait on the playground until the 5:30 bus, supervised by Mrs. Nadia Rashad, our Campus Supervisor.

KG students will be offered a few activities starting Session 2 on November 9.

ASA Website for updates and photos:  
<http://www.cacegypt.org/ActivitiesWeb/ActivitiesMain.html>

Please contact me if you have any questions,

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## ELL Parent Presentation Specialists' Back to School Night

Dear Parents,

The teachers of English language learners (ELL) would like to invite you to a brief presentation from 5:00-5:15 during the Specialists' Back to School Night. We will be available to answer questions from 5:15-6:00.

What: A short presentation about our ELL program  
Who: Parents of English language learners  
When: Monday, September 12 at 5:00-6:00pm  
Where: The elementary school library classroom E213  
(On the second floor)

We hope you can join us!

Sincerely,  
The Elementary ELL Team

Elizabeth Carpenter  
Beth Hawley  
Linda Petra



### ES PIZZA DAY



The PTO serves Domino's Pizza to elementary students at their lunch break every other Monday, and our first pizza day of the year began on **Monday, September 5**, and will be every other Monday afterward. Please send **cash** with your child if they want pizza on pizza day.

After four years of steady rates, due to price increases from our providers, we have to raise our prices this year. Below is the new price list:

**1 slice** + juice/bottled water + biscuit = **10 LE**

**2 slices** + juice/bottled water + biscuit = **15 LE**

**3 slices** + juice/bottled water + biscuit = **20 LE**

Additional slices = **5 LE each**

We are looking for parents who want to volunteer to serve the pizza to the children. Serving pizza is a wonderful way to see how the kids spend their time in school and to enjoy these wonderful elementary school years.

If you are interested, please contact Cheryl Rampton at [rampton3@gmail.com](mailto:rampton3@gmail.com).