

MODERN ENGLISH SCHOOL CAIRO



August 27th, 2009

Dear Parents,

The summer vacation is almost at an end and we are indeed ready to welcome all our returning and new students.

However, an Egyptian government decree issued only last week dictates that all international schools should not admit pupils until after the Eid Al Fitr Holiday.

Therefore, so that we do not lose the early September teaching and learning time for most of our students, the school day will be extended.

NEW STARTING DATE
for all pupils from Reception (Foundation Stage Two) to Year 12 and Grade 12 and IBDP is

SATURDAY 26th SEPTEMBER 2009 at 8.10am

For Nursery (Foundation Stage One), all families will receive a letter stating the new first day for their child(ren).

FOR THE WHOLE OF TERM ONE
(from Saturday 26th September until Thursday 17th December) THE TIMES ARE:

Foundation Stage One 8.10am to 1.30pm

Foundation Stage Two 8.10am to 1.30 pm

ALL OTHER PUPILS (Year 1 and all classes to Grade 12, Year 12, IBDP12) 8.10am to 3.40pm

Term Two starting Monday 4 January 2010 will see us revert to our usual length of the school day.

Because of the extended day in Term One, it is unlikely that we will be able to offer any extra-curricular/after school activities (ASAs) although a real effort will be made to select teams and organise practice sessions so that we can fulfil our tournament dates.

Although pupils will have a delayed start to the year on Saturday 26th September, we are going ahead with the scheduled Parents Information Meetings, but at slightly different times.

A detailed new Term One calendar is attached.

IMPORTANT

The days for registration have been extended through to Thursday 10th September.

All registration procedures and uniforms should be finalised during this period.

School will be open from 8.00am until 2.30pm every day (except Fridays) until Thursday 10th September for completion of the above. On Saturdays school will be open from 8.30am to 2.00pm.

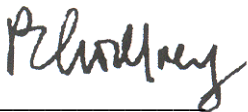
It will be very difficult to complete the above **after** THURSDAY 10th September.

All pupils will then be able to go directly to their appropriate class on Saturday, 26th September.

From September 7th the MES website will contain a list of Primary classes and class teachers. Please note that Nursery is now called "Foundation Stage One" and Reception is now called "Foundation Stage Two".

I look forward to a smooth start to the MES instructional academic year for pupils on Saturday 26th September 2009.

Best regards,



Peter T. Godfrey
Principal