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Modern English School Cairo



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INFORMATION REGARDING THE START OF ACADEMIC YEAR 2023/2024

Uniform, Accounts, Transportation Procedures

We are focused on welcoming our students back to campus on 17th September 2023 (except FS1, who will have a staggered start that week to enable a smooth introduction for them). Our preparations for the start of the academic year are well underway.

First Day for our FS1 students is Wednesday, 20th September. FS1 orientation will be held in two groups on the 18th and 19th of September 2023. An email with further details will be sent shortly.

From Sunday 27th August 2023, 8.30am-3.00pm, you will be able to make all necessary preparations for the start of the school year, including uniform purchase, and fee payment.

All procedures must be completed BEFORE Sunday, 17th September 2023. Please, do not postpone this process and complete registration before then.

Start Of Year Procedures

1. Parents/adults completing **Start of Year** procedures are asked to arrive at the Car Gate entrance to school (Gate 4).

PLEASE NOTE: Parents will not be allowed on campus at all on the first day of school. Only students will be allowed through Gate 4. This will be the case for ALL YEAR GROUPS.

2. Proceed to the school Sports Hall where you will find booths for:

- Accounts and School ID. You will be issued student ID cards. **PLEASE DO NOT FORGET THAT STUDENTS NEED TO WEAR THEIR SCHOOL ID ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**
- Transportation **(NO TRANSPORTATION CHANGES ARE ALLOWED FOR THE FIRST THREE DAYS)**
- Uniform

3. Additional ID cards will be issued per student for those opting to go home by car. One is to be worn by each student on the first day of school. The other is to be presented by the adult collecting the child from school if they are not taking a school bus everyday

4. Resource packs will be distributed to students in school

The Start of Year facility/procedures at Gate 4 will remain open from Sunday, 27th August 2023 until Saturday, 16th September 2023, Sun-Sat 8.30am - 3.00pm. We strongly advise parents to visit early.

The Sports Hall and all Registration, Accounts, and Uniform facilities will not be available on the first day of school until 9.00am as the Gate area will be very congested.

We would like to remind you that starting this academic year students will only be allowed to wear the new PE kits.



Transportation

To ensure that our busing department is able to comply with our health and safety procedures, you need to register your child if you require transportation for the upcoming academic year. **Places will be allocated on a first come first serve basis.**

To register your child for transportation, you need to:

1. Log into the Family Portal
2. Click on the child you would like to register for transportation
3. Choose the area
4. Proceed with the payment

This step needs to be done for each child you would like to register. If you have any questions, please email the Accounts Department at accounts@mescairo.com.



A Note from the Accounts Department:

Thank you for the payment of the re-enrollment fees, please note that the first installment is now due, therefore kindly make arrangements for the payment to be made before the 17th of September 2023.

We would like to remind you of the different ways you can pay, to avoid congestion in our Accounts Department

1. Online

Fees can be paid by credit card online through the Family Portal found on the school website **www.mescairo.com**. You can also use the Family Portal to see the payments made previously, and check if the balance of any transfer made via bank transfer has reflected into your school account.

2. By cash or credit card at our Accounts Department: Saturday - Thursday: 8.30am – 3.00pm

3. By bank transfer or bank deposit: Please remember to e-mail a copy of the proof of payment to accounts@mescairo.com



HSBC
Account Name: Modern English School Cairo
Sort Code: EBBKEG CX
Account Number: 002-003341-001



CIB
Account Name: International Education System - Modern English School Cairo
Sort Code: CIBEEG CX 111
Account Number: 100026477837



At the Accounts Departments you can use the valU application to pay. You can also meet with valU agent available at MES Cairo everyday starting 27th of August 8.30am-3.00pm to sign up for instant approvals with immediate credit limits allowing you to pay the tuition fees in instalments with a competitive interest rate for MES Cairo parents. Please visit the valU stall in the Sports Hall from Sunday 27 August - Saturday 16th September 2023

Please note cheques will not be accepted. If you have any questions regarding your statement, please call one of the following numbers and a member of the Accounts Department will be happy to answer your queries: 01200651071 /01200651477/01200651487

You can also e-mail the accounts@mescairo.com for any queries.

Enjoy the remainder of the summer holiday. Stay safe!



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School Uniform 2023/2024

Students are required to wear the official school uniform when at school or when they are representing the school in activities outside of school.

In addition to the uniform requirements:

- Plain all black flat leather shoes
- Boys are allowed to wear a plain black belt
- Socks must be black, dark blue, grey or white
- Trousers must be neatly hemmed
- Blue bucket hat - mandatory for FS1 and FS2 students when outdoors
- Blue MES Cairo cap - optional for Y1-Y6 students
- A plain navy blue scarf is acceptable during the winter months
- Girls who wear the hijab must wear a white one
- No visible T-shirts
- Students should not wear make-up or nail varnish
- Jewellery must be limited to a watch and girls may wear one small pair of stud earrings (not to be worn on PE days)
- Facial piercing is not permitted
- Boys must be clean-shaven
- Hair for boys and girls should be neatly groomed and of natural colour. Boys' hair should not fall below the collar
- Hair bands should be white or navy blue, or match natural hair colour
- School uniform items should be clearly labelled with the student's name
- Smart watches are not allowed

If you fail to comply with these expectations you will be given the opportunity to comply by having uniform items delivered/purchased and changing at school. You may not be allowed to attend class if not in full uniform.

All medical conditions requiring a student to wear special items (including footwear) must be explained by a doctor's medical note to be verified by the school doctor.

PE Uniform

PE kit must be worn for PE lessons. This comprises MES Cairo shorts and PE T-shirt and appropriate footwear. On PE days, Primary students can come to school in their PE kit and wear it for the entire school day. Secondary Students can come to school in their PE tracksuit pants and PE shirt and can change into shorts during PE. Secondary students are not permitted to arrive or leave school in their PE shorts.

House T-Shirts

You must purchase a MES Cairo Secondary House T-shirt. You will wear this with PE shorts, for House events. Alternatives to the House T-Shirt are not permitted.

Non-Uniform Days

Non-uniform days will be coordinated during the school year. You must dress according to the following regulations:

- No denim of any kind (jeans, skirts, jackets etc.)
- No clothing with offensive logos or wording
- No excessive jewellery (the usual uniform code remains in place for jewellery)
- Dress conservatively – avoid short skirts, shorts, tops which show midriffs, sleeveless shirts

Summer Uniform– March to Mid-November

BOYS

FS1

- Class coloured polo shirts and navy blue shorts
- Black or blue sports shoes

FS2 to Year 6

- Short sleeved blue/white striped shirt

FS2 to Year 4

- Dark navy blue shorts
- Blue, black or white socks
- All black regulation shoes

Year 5 & 6

- Dark navy blue trousers
- Blue or white socks with shorts
- Blue socks with trousers
- Black regulation shoes

Y/G/DP 7-11

- Short sleeved blue/white striped shirt
- Dark navy blue trousers with black belt
- Dark blue socks and black regulation shoes

Y/G/DP12

- Polo shirt
- Black trousers with black belt
- Dark blue socks with black regulation shoes

GIRLS

FS1

- Class coloured polo shirts and navy blue shorts
- Black or blue sports shoes

FS2 to Year 4

- Short-sleeved blue/white striped dress with cotton navy blue undershorts

Year 5 & 6

- Short sleeve blue/white stripe blouse
- Dark navy blue trousers
- White socks and black regulation shoes

Y/G/7-11

- Short sleeved blue/white striped blouse
- Dark navy blue trousers
- Dark blue socks with black regulation shoes

Y/G/DP12

- Polo shirt
- Black trousers
- Dark blue socks with black regulation shoes

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Boys and girls wear the same PE uniforms.

FS1

- Class coloured polo shirts and navy blue shorts
- Black or blue sports shoes

FS2-Y6

- Navy blue shorts with MES Cairo logo and yellow/white MES Cairo PE shirt

Y/G/DP 7-12

- Navy blue shorts with MES Cairo logo and navy blue/white MES Cairo PE shirt to be worn underneath the blue tracksuit

Winter Uniform – Mid November-to March

BOYS

FS1

- Winter blue tracksuit with class-coloured sweatshirt
- Black or blue sport shoes

FS2 to Year 6

- Long sleeved blue/white shirt (with a school tie for KS2 students)
- Dark navy blue trousers
- Dark navy blue sweater with gold stripes or; Navy blue zip/pop stud fronted microfibre padded winter Jacket, MES Cairo logo on the front
- Dark blue socks, and trainers
- Milton Jacket

Y/G 7-Y/G/DP 11

- Long-sleeved blue/white striped shirt
- Dark navy blue sweater with a gold stripe or; Navy blue zip/pop stud fronted microfibre padded winter Jacket, MES Cairo logo on front
- Navy blue/gold striped tie
- Navy blue trousers with a black belt
- Dark blue socks and black regulation shoes

Y/G/DP12

- White long sleeve shirt tucked in
- Dark navy blue sweater with gold stripe or; Navy blue microfibre winter Jacket
- Senior zip fronted jacket
- Black trousers with black belt
- Dark blue socks and black regulation shoes
- School tie

GIRLS

FS1

- Navy blue tracksuit pants with class coloured sweatshirt
- Black or blue sports shoes

FS2 to Year 4

- Long-sleeved blue/white striped blouse
- Dark navy tunic
- Dark navy blue sweater with gold stripe
- Navy blue zip/pop stud fronted microfibre padded winter Jacket, MES Cairo logo on front
- Milton jacket

Y/G/5-Yr/G/DP11:

- Long-sleeved blue/white striped blouse
- Dark navy blue sweater with a gold stripe or; Navy blue zip/pop stud fronted microfibre padded winter Jacket, MES Cairo logo on front
- Navy blue trousers with a black belt
- Dark blue socks and black regulation shoes

Y/G/DP12:

- White long-sleeved blouse
- Dark navy blue sweater with a gold stripe or
- Black trousers
- Dark blue socks with black regulation shoes
- Senior zip-fronted padded jacket

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Boys and girls wear the same PE uniforms.

FS1

- Winter blue tracksuit with class-coloured sweatshirt
- Black or blue sport shoes

FS2-Y6

- Yellow and navy blue tracksuit with summer PE shirt underneath

G/Y 7-G/Y/DP 12

- Navy blue shorts with MES Cairo logo and navy blue/white MES Cairo PE shirt, to be worn underneath the blue tracksuit