

FAME

1 Introduction



Name	Maadi British International School (MBIS)
Curriculum	British
Location	Maadi, Cairo, Egypt
Address	4 th District, Zahraa Al Maadi, Cairo, Egypt
Website	www.mbisegypt.com
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Principal	James McDonald
Number of students	332
Age range	3 to 14 (Nursery to Year 9)
Date of FAME assessment	5 th November 2019
Assessor	Dr Vesna Varunek

In 1995, MBIS was registered with the Egyptian Ministry of Social Affairs as a non-profit entity with a charter “to educate better children with foreign passports in Egypt”.

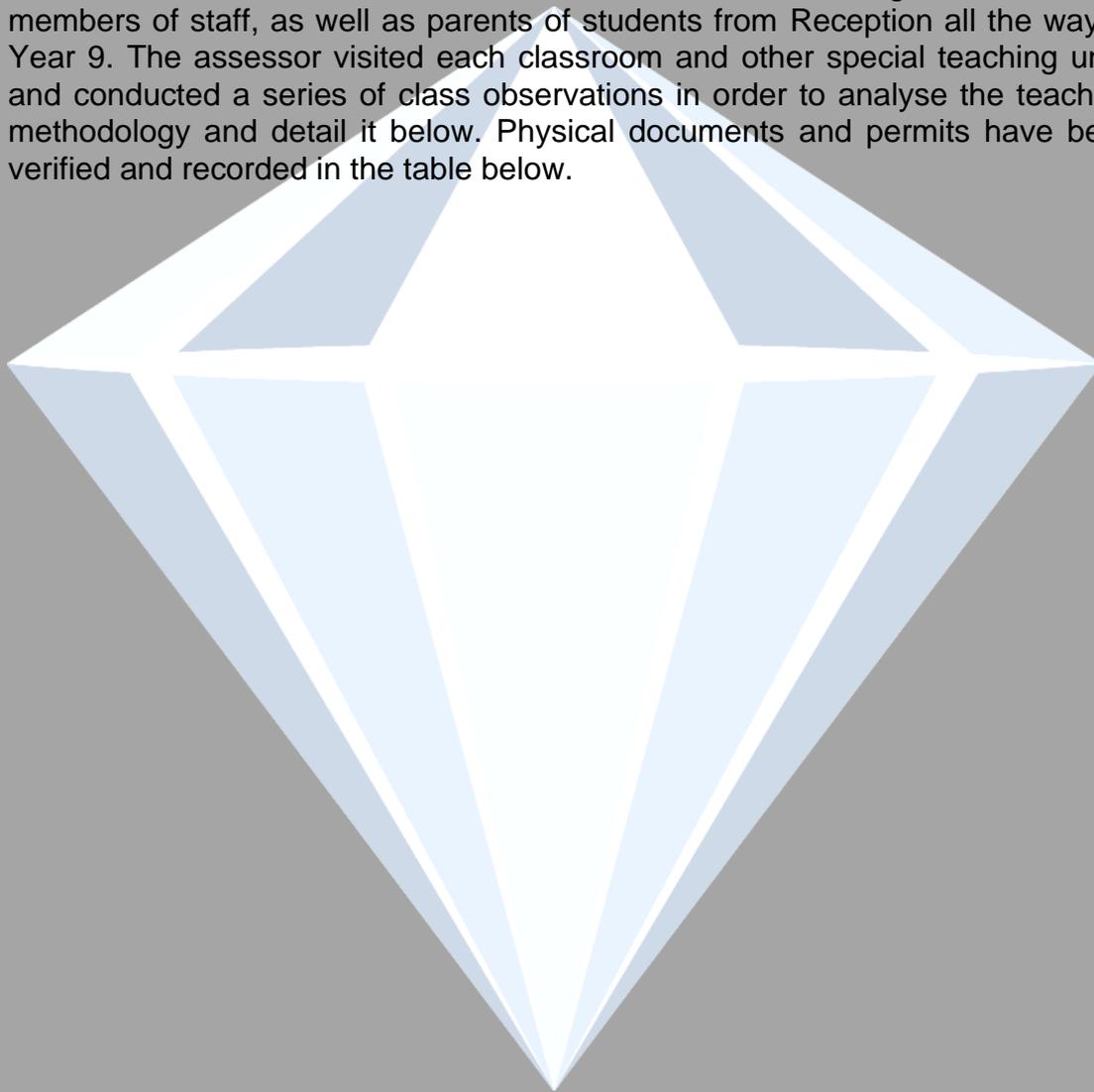
The school is situated in Maadi, an attractive, yet quiet area of the city of Cairo. The campus represents a unique blend of modern and Arabic architecture across three main buildings.

At present, MBIS has a total of 335 students, 45 academic staff and 50 admin and supporting staff. MBIS educates students from Nursery (3-4-year-old

students) to Year 9 (13-14 years). It closely follows the English National Curriculum.

A 'whole-child' approach is found in the school's program of wider learning opportunities such as mastering new skills via an after-school activity, participating in charity fundraising events, learning to play an instrument, and in developing valuable social skills.

Evidence for the present assessment was collected from visiting the premises, and via face-to-face interviews and discussions with the management team and members of staff, as well as parents of students from Reception all the way to Year 9. The assessor visited each classroom and other special teaching units and conducted a series of class observations in order to analyse the teaching methodology and detail it below. Physical documents and permits have been verified and recorded in the table below.



2 Facilities

The school has three (3) buildings on their campus, as well as a synthetic turf playing field, two (2) multi-purpose physical education (PE) courts, and an athletics track.

Dedicated rooms for Art, Design Technology, Food Technology, and Science are all well-equipped, as well as two (2) ICT suites (Apple and Windows), two (2) music rooms with a full range of instruments and Apple computers, individual music instruction rooms, auditorium and a drama studio. All classrooms are equipped with Smart Interactive Boards.

The Library, organized by students' age, includes a dedicated reading corner. The management has plans too for a special library for the teaching staff.

The school has an outdoor cafeteria that serves a wide range of healthy selection of western and Asian food, as well as freshly made wraps, sandwiches and drinks. Children in Years 3 to 9 may use the cafeteria at break and lunch times or bring a packed lunch. The food at the cafeteria is provided by a company called Smart Food catering. The menu is designed by senior staff, students, and parents who meet each term to discuss quality and potential improvements.

The outdoor area is equipped with wooden benches conveniently located all around the school. Parents usually meet each other in the morning, after drop-off, and then again later in the day at pickup time.

The school playground and yard feature artificial grass and playground equipment (swings, monkey bars and safety flooring) for all ages.

Foundation children have a separate dedicated area located in a separate building. It features a bathroom and playground both designed with foundation children in mind. It is separated by a wooden multi-colour fence from the older students' playground.

There are 16 water stations found both indoors and outdoors.

MBIS has one (1) point of access for wheelchair. It should be noted that toilets, changing rooms and the swimming pool, however, are not wheelchair accessible.

2.1 Safety documents

Policies and documents were created by the previous Head Teachers. All policies have been approved by the Board of Directors, and they are reviewed bi-annually