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June 2008 Newsletter

GPIS Development Plan for 2008-2009

Green Land – Pré Vert International School is proud to announce its development plan for 2008-2009, which consists of **21 decisions** made by the school's steering committee.

These decisions were based on the many proposals and comments made by parents, students and teachers on the last survey. Each idea was thoroughly considered by the school's steering committee and all projections for September 2008 are as follows:

The Premises

GPIS changes its look....

- 1) **Air-conditioned classrooms** in the 2nd and 3rd floor classrooms so as to provide an even better working environment for our students and teachers. (already in place)
- 2) **Brand new in-door furniture** (tables and chairs) for classrooms. (already in place)
- 3) An 80m² shaded area with sand, out-door toys & sitting benches to shield our students from the sun during their breaks. (already in place)
- 4) **Artificial grass** for even more beautiful gardens and an ever more appealing landscape. (Half the gardens have already been covered with artificial grass, work will be completed during the summer.)
- 5) A **new meeting room** in the school entrance to provide better communication with parents, teachers and administrators.
- 6) A **refined entrance in the nursery** with a seating area and an LCD display to keep our students and visitors informed.

- 7) **New and faster computers** at both the school and the nursery.
- 8) **New sports equipments** to enhance the performance of our students in sports and encourage them to adopt a healthy and balanced lifestyle.
- 9) Additional **fresh water dispensers**
- 10) We also plan to complete the following during the next 3 years:
 - **A huge theatre hall.**
 - An **additional floor** with more classrooms
 - **Develop laboratory equipment** on the 3rd floor.
 - **Larger school buildings and premises with more facilities.**

School Fees

- 11) More **flexibility** in the payment of **tuition fees** with the possibility of "freezing" these fees for a predetermined period of time.

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Transportation

GPIS commits to the following:

- 12) **Air conditioners and seat belts** on all buses so as to maximize the comfort and safety of our students and staff and in conformity with standards.
- 13) **Acquire 3 new buses and restore the old ones** so as to cover more areas in Cairo.
- 14) **The nursery bus cycle will have its very own buses** and will be separated from the school bus cycle.
- 15) We have the government's promise that the **road leading to the school will be paved and ready in July 2008**. Responsible authorities will start paving the road with asphalt and work will be achieved by **mid-July 2008**.

The government is the only reason for this delay but the school is closely monitoring this issue.

In 2007-2008.....

GPIS is proud to announce that it has received the **2007 Robert Blackburn Award** which is an international prize awarded to the best community and service project among the work of 638000 students in 2365 schools around the globe. This event was published in the IB World magazine.

Parents who are interested in joining the **Green Land Charity Association GLCA** are invited to contact the school.

DP Graduation

will be held at the Cairo Opera House (Small Theater) on **Saturday 5 July 2008** to celebrate the graduation of 2007-2008 IBDP promotion. You are most welcome to attend and share this event with GPIS family.

Our excellent Summer Program will start on Sunday 22 June 2008 and will end on Thursday 17 July 2008. Hope to see you there.

Education

GPIS promises to deliver the following:

- 16) **Recruitment of qualified specialists native speakers** for the teaching of activities (such as arts and drama) in order to enhance our students fluency in French and English
- 17) **New after-school activity program** in a variety of disciplines (IT, technology, arts, sports, philosophy and design)
- 18) **More trips and camps in Egypt and abroad** to develop our students' profile especially with regard to open-mindedness.
- 19) Yearly **Quraan competition** for PYP students to insure that they have a thorough understanding of the Quraan's teachings in them.
- 20) Research and inquiry is the heart of our pedagogy. **The school library will soon be equipped with new software for better management of the school library**. To this day, the library holds over 18,000 printed books and magazines in French, English and Arabic and the new software will facilitate research through a bar code system.

21) Updated GPIS website, check it out at : www.greenlandschool.org

With the school year coming to an end, we thank for your valuable trust and we wish you enjoy your holidays with your family.

School will start again on:

DP : Wednesday 3 September 2008
MYP : Thursday 4 September 2008
PYP4-PYP8 : Sunday 7 September 2008
PYP3 : Wednesday 10 September 2008
PYP1 & PYP2 : Tuesday 9 September 2008

The finance department at the school will be at your service starting 23 August 2008 at the nursery premises.

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