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- Wednesday 18 January - PSG meeting @ Mout, 09:15-10:30
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Whole School Information

IB Evaluation Visit: an opportunity for growth

Next week, Monday through Wednesday, we will be having our IB Evaluation visit. As an IB World School, IPS Hilversum is part of a strong community and network of schools, and also educators who collaborate around the world. All IB World Schools are regularly evaluated to ensure that the IB Standards and Practices of the programmes are being upheld with fidelity. It is a process of formal reflection involving all stakeholders within the school community.

During the visit, the two evaluators will meet with all teaching staff. They will visit every classroom and will review all our documentation submitted as part of our self-study (a process that we engaged in to assess our own implementation of the programme).

The evaluators will identify major achievements during the last five-year period and the outcome is a detailed action plan for the following implementation period.

Aviva's New Year gift

Raffaele Campari was born in Amsterdam on New Year's Day! He came a little earlier than expected (just under two weeks to go before the 40-week mark!). Aviva, Riccardo and Raffaele are all doing well!



Food Bank



This photo demonstrates the kindness and generosity of our IPS Hilversum community. These are all the donations to the Food Bank that we made in December. Thank you for your contribution.

Rembrandt

Kiss & Ride

Kiss & Ride started this week. Please take note that from 08:40 you can drop off in the Kiss & Ride zone. The Kiss & Ride zone is a short-parking area at the side of the school (on Vermeerlaan). In this area, parents who are driving may drop off children here; however, the no parking rules still apply.

No Parking Rules

1. Stop time necessary to drop off children safely
2. Driver must remain in the car
3. Vehicle must not be left unattended
4. No stopping (even for drop-off!) in front of the Rembrandt
5. No stopping anywhere in the junction
6. No double-parking

Please refer to pages 39-40 of the [School Guide](#) on the school website for more details and clarifying maps.

PSG

PSG meeting

The PSG Committee would like to invite you all to our next meeting on Wednesday 18 January at Mout in Hilversum from 09.15-10.30 to discuss all the fun and exciting events we have planned for the rest of the school year and how you can get involved to make them a success.

If you're unable to attend the meeting and would like to be involved, please email the Parent Support Group Committee at psg@ipshilversum.nl. We look forward to seeing you next Wednesday.

STIP Hilversum

Social-emotional learning lecture

On Tuesday 24 January, STIP Hilversum, in collaboration with Kees van Overveld, has organised a lecture about social-emotional learning. Everyone is welcome to attend. There is no cost involved.

Social-emotional learning (SEL) is the developmental process by which students acquire fundamental life skills. It is about skills with which we can effectively and morally shape ourselves, our friendships and our lives. In concrete terms, it is about life skills such as recognising emotions in yourself and others, managing intense emotions, caring for others, making wise decisions, building healthy relationships and effectively solving challenging situations.

Location: Sterrenschool Hilversum [Huygensstraat 35 - Hilversum](#)

Time: 19.30

For more information: <https://www.stiphilversum.nl/Werken-bij-Stip-Hilversum/Stip-lezing>

You may register via: stip-academie@stiphilversum.nl

COVID-19 UPDATE

The Netherlands has reverted to **phase 1 dark green**. This means that we continue with basic measures with regard to hygiene and health, and continue to ensure good ventilation.

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