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Important Dates

- **Week beginning 4 April** - Parent-Teacher conferences EY - Group 7
- **Easter holiday** - Friday 15 - Monday 18 April inclusive
- **April/May holiday** - April 23 - May 8

Whole School Information

New IPS motto

The new IPS motto, written by Zoe Thal Larsen in Group 8, is: **We learn, we experience, we inspire.** Please see the poster at the end of this newsletter to learn more about how Zoe arrived at her idea.

Student absences

If your child is not attending school, please could we kindly remind you to contact the relevant school office in advance, stating the reason.

Message from the librarians

The libraries will be closed for borrowing a week before the break. Please make sure all library books are returned by Friday 22 April.

Group 7

Student donation to Ukraine fundraising

Group 7 students recently completed their unit of inquiry, which entailed designing and creating products, setting up a business plan, pitching to a Dragon's Den team for a business loan, and then selling their unique products in multiple markets. Thanks to their hard work and convincing sales techniques, they ended up making substantial profits! The students themselves initiated donating a large part of their earnings to charity, and chose to donate over €450 to the PSG fundraiser for Ukraine.

Group 6

Museum Hilversum ~ Silver Camera Junior 2022

On Sunday 3 April at 15:00, Museum Hilversum will announce the winner of the [Zilveren Camera Junior 2022](#). In recent months, young people from all over the Netherlands have submitted more than 400 photos, including our Group 6 submissions as part of their unit of inquiry. Entrance is free; do go along! (We have *insider info* about four of our students' submissions.)

Groups 3 - 7

Unit reports

Unit 4 reports for Groups 3 to 7 learners are being sent out today via ManageBac. Please contact our PYP Coordinator, Stephanie Noda: snoda@ipshilversum.nl if you do not receive your child's report or have trouble accessing it. Please note that students who have been at IPS for less than six weeks are not included in this reporting cycle. The first report will be available once your child has completed their first full unit.

Celebrations

Ramadan Mubarak

Ramadan Mubarak to the families who begin this time of fasting, contemplation and enlightenment. May it be a peaceful one.

Parent Support Group (PSG)

Fundraiser for Ukraine

Enormous gratitude to the PSG for organising the fundraiser for Ukraine. And many thanks to everyone who contributed food, books and plants.

Evidence, if it was needed, of the supreme generosity of our IPS community is that the Tikkie QR code sent out yesterday is now full! If you were not able to join the coffee morning yesterday and would like to donate to the PSG fundraiser, these links will be available for the next few days:

<https://tikkie.me/pay/qs37sk2tm0kitosffb3f>

<https://tikkie.me/pay/vi0rj4upbith5g5nuudk>

<https://tikkie.me/pay/ib40fo3gccnbn0s93k5f>

All money donated in this way will be included in the amount the PSG donates. Total monies raised will be specified in the PSG bulletin next week. *Thank you for your support, PSG!*



New IPS motto

Please scroll down to view the poster!



ZOE THAL LARSEN MADE HISTORY!

**OUR NEW SCHOOL MOTTO:
WE LEARN, WE EXPERIENCE, WE INSPIRE**

**Zoe's entry was the clear winner,
gaining more than three times more votes
than any other finalist!**

**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO TOOK PART IN
MAKING IPS HILVERSUM HISTORY!**

CONGRATULATIONS ZOE!

Zoe is in in Group 8, she has been at IPS Hilversum since Group 2. Zoe's idea for the motto originated during her recent unit of inquiry into government systems during which students also wrote mottos. Zoe used her idea from that, the IPS word cloud and placed her ideas into an order that worked together.

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