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Important dates

- Sunday 16 April - PSG family forest walk
- Monday 17 April - MY NEWS "captions + contexts" photography exhibition
- Wednesday 10 May - Parent workshop ~ Rock & Water
- Tuesday 16 May - Student-led conferences
- Wednesday 31 May - Global Parent Day picnic

Important July dates

- Thursday 13 July - Group 8 PYP Exhibition
- Monday 17 July - Moving Up!
- Monday 17 July - Group 8 graduation

Whole School Information

MY NEWS "captions + contexts" photography exhibition

Monday afternoon is your final opportunity to see the exhibition between 15:00 and 16:00 at Mondrian. Don't miss this opportunity to see the artwork of talented up-and-coming photographers!

Rembrandt

Gemeente energy-saving bus

Next Thursday 20 April, from 10:00 - 18:30, the gemeente will have their energy-saving bus parked on the side of Rembrandt. It is to share information with residents about insulation, saving energy and solar panels. You can read more on the flyer at the end of this newsletter.

Parent Workshops

Parent information session ~ IB Evaluation feedback

In January of 2023 we had an evaluation visit by the IB. We would like to thank those parents who attended the coffee morning to learn about the celebrations and the opportunities for growth. To see the summary click [here](#).

Parent workshop ~ Rock & Water

This year, every class is receiving training in Rock & Water. The Rock & Water programme is a psychophysical social competency training aimed at raising self-awareness, self-confidence, self-esteem and social skills through physical activities and games. If you would like to know more about what your child is learning in Rock & Water and how to support this learning process, please come to the parent session in the gym at Rembrandt on Wednesday 10 May from 09:00 - 09:30.

Celebrations

Avondvierdaagse

On Tuesday this week, students in Groups 3 to 8 brought home a registration form for this year's event, taking place Monday 22 - Thursday 25 May. Please return your child's form to the school office by Friday 21 April.

Koningsdag

Next week our Host Country Language teachers will be teaching students about how we celebrate Koningsdag. To get into the spirit of things, we will all wear orange or red white and blue, for King's Day activities which will take place at Rembrandt on Thursday 20 April and at Mondrian on Friday 21 April.

Global Parent Day

Save the date to enjoy lunch at school on Wednesday 31 May to celebrate Global Parent Day with a picnic. More information to follow after the break.

PSG

Family forest walk and book swap

The PSG invites you to enjoy the countryside with friends and family this Sunday! Why not download the [geocaching app](#) ahead of the walk for some fun activities?

There will also be a book swap, where children can bring books along and swap them by the refreshment table. You can drop and swap books any time before and during the walk - please pick up any leftover books by noon.

- Time: 10am - 12pm
- Date: Sunday 16 April
- Location: Dagcamping Hilversum-Laren, Hilversumseweg, 1222 HJ Laren.

Due to limited car parking space, you may prefer to arrive by bike or bus #108. (Dagcamping Hilversum-Laren is a 12-minute cycle from IPS Rembrandt location, and only nine minutes from Mondrian!) *We look forward to seeing you there!*

International Fair 2023

Planned for: Saturday 17 June, 12:00-15:00, Rembrandt playground

Hello! This message is from Rosie, former PSG Chair, to alert everyone to the fact that at the moment the 2023 International Fair is looking rather unlikely to happen due to it being way too much work for a small committee to organise.

I will help to create an International Fair this year; however, we now need all parents to also think about how you can also get involved to make it happen. [Here's what we know:](#)

1. Loads of people will come along and enjoy themselves
2. The children absolutely LOVE the International Fair
3. It's a major fundraiser for the PSG and, without such events, the extras and resources the PSG have always funded throughout the school year simply can't happen

We need volunteers for:

1. Food stalls
2. Drinks stall
3. Games
4. Decorated jars - kids' favourite
5. Face painting
6. Second-hand book stall
7. Entertainment ~ do you want to manage a dance group of children to entertain the crowds? We need to hear from you now!
8. Setting up in the morning and cleaning up at the end

Please email me (Rosie): rosiecolman01@gmail.com if you're going to volunteer to make this year's Fair happen! Perhaps a couple of friends can work together to take an area on? Have a think and a chat and get involved.

When it comes to the food stalls, it's not complicated. We just need people to volunteer! We'd like to hear now from anyone who is happy to take on the role of coordinator for their own country's food stall. Once we've got our list of country stalls for this year, we'll let you know how it all works. You'll be given money to buy ingredients and all the information you need.

The International Fair is a very special event for our school. It's attended by current and former families, members of staff and also residents of Hilversum whose children don't even attend the school. Based on the number of people who normally come along (hundreds!), it is fair to say it's an extremely popular community event.

→ A decision will be made over the Spring Break as to whether we have enough help and volunteers to make this happen, so we really need to hear from you soon. If we don't hear back from anyone/enough people next week... that's the decision made, no Fair! If we do - and we really hope we will - then we'll meet after the break to work out the details and take it from there.

Your school needs you! Once again, PLEASE email Rosie (rosiecolman01@gmail.com) today to volunteer. Here is a snapshot of the day last year:



Uitnodiging

Gratis informatie en advies

Isoleren, energie besparen, zonnepanelen



Donderdag 20 april tussen 10.00 en 18.30 uur
Locatie: naast de International Primary School (IPS), Rembrandtlaan 30



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hilversum.nl/energieloket

Uitnodiging gratis informatie en advies

Donderdag 20 april tussen 10.00 en 18.30 uur

Wilt u energie besparen, maar weet u niet zo goed hoe? Vindt u op internet niet de informatie die u nodig heeft, of wilt u weten of u het juiste doet?

Kom dan naar de Energiebespaarbus van gemeente Hilversum voor gratis informatie en advies. De bus staat op donderdag 20 april tussen 10.00 en 18.30 naast de International Primary School (IPS), Rembrandtlaan 30.

Bij de bus krijgt u advies over subsidies, mogelijkheden om energie te besparen en te isoleren, en inzicht in kosten. U kunt ook isolatiemateriaal en warmte-installaties bekijken. Ga in gesprek met een adviseur, of plan direct een afspraak voor persoonlijk advies bij u thuis.

Kunt u donderdag 20 april niet langskomen? Bij het energieloket van de gemeente Hilversum vindt u veel informatie en kunt u ook een afspraak maken voor persoonlijk advies. Kijk op hilversum.nl/energieloket

Tot dan!

Jan Willem Bolks



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Gemeente Hilversum