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Farewell to Group 8

Today, our Group 8 students officially end their primary years. At their PYP Exhibition last week, they proved beyond any doubt that they are ready for secondary school. On Monday they were honoured at their graduation and partied late into the evening, and their last two days at school have seen them bidding farewell and thanking all their teachers. These students are a credit to IPS Hilversum and their parents; everyone at Mondrian this afternoon very happily cheered them on their way, Guard of Honour style, as they left the building for the last time as primary students!

With thanks and farewell to four staff members

Bidding staff members farewell is always a bittersweet moment, and the end of this week will be no different as we say goodbye and wish four staff members well as they embark on new adventures in education.

Lee Kirk joined IPS Hilversum by way of Australia in 2010. Anyone whose child has been taught by Lee will know that he is passionate about mathematics. In September, Lee will be taking on a new challenge when he joins a Dutch High School in Ede to teach mathematics in both English and Dutch. Lee is a testament to the IB credo of lifelong learners. He will be missed at IPS, but we all feel heartened to know he will take his inquiry-based pedagogy and humour to enhance the learning for students in secondary school!



Rebeca Pérez joined us on 1 November, 2022 from Rotterdam. She has worked during that time in Group 4. She has brought the joy of learning to our young learners together with her Spanish teammate, Carla. We wish Rebeca well as she moves to continue her own PYP journey at International School Utrecht.

Group 2. However, she quickly switched gears when Rosa left Group 7 to go on maternity leave, and then took Rosa's maternity cover. We wish Christine well as she continues her PYP journey teaching kindergarten at International School Amstelland in Amstelveen.

Christine Galloway joined us in October as a substitute teacher. She was originally recruited to cover in





Bronwyn de Ru, arriving from South Africa, joined us almost as she touched down at Schiphol in November 2022. Bronwyn had expected to start teaching in January 2023. However, when Aviva departed early for her maternity leave, Bronwyn stepped right up to join the Group 3 team at Rembrandt. She will also be cutting down her commute when she joins the newly opening International School Amersfoort in September, which will also be a PYP school.

First day back and Hopes & Dreams

Just a quick reminder that the first day of the new school year is Wednesday 6 September 2023. Yesterday, parents received their time slots to meet their child's new class teacher to share their hopes and dreams for the year ahead. These times will be sent out again as a reminder in the new school year.



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