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Calendar – IPS HILVERSUM

- 18 April-5 May~April/May Holiday
- 14-17 May~Accession Weekend
- 23-25 May~Whitsun Weekend
- Wednesday 27 May~Sports Day
- 2-5 June~Avondvierdaagse

Save the Date

- Bridging Ceremony~Monday 29 June
- Group 8 Graduation~Monday 29 June 4pm

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A Message from Juliska!

Tuesday marked the end of a wonderful period at school. This week, our Group 8 students presented their PYPX (Exhibition), and it was truly impressive to see all that they have learned and the beautiful way they shared it with so many interested students and parents. We are very proud of what they have shown us and of the growth they have made during their years at our school. For them, the final months of primary school have now begun, before they spread their wings and move on to secondary education.

Yesterday, we also celebrated the traditional King's Games with the whole school. At the Rembrandt campus, the Grade 7 students helped guide the younger children through the different activities. It was wonderful to see everyone dressed in red, white, blue, and orange. We will no doubt see even more of these festive colours in the coming weeks as King's Day approaches on 27 April. At both locations, the celebrations started with the special dance, followed by many fun games and activities. At the Mondrian campus, the students also enjoyed a capoeira workshop. Thanks to the PTA, every student received a delicious stroopwafel, surely one of the tastiest Dutch treats!

After all these wonderful efforts and celebrations, it is now time for a well-deserved holiday: more than two and a half weeks to relax and enjoy. We hope everyone has a lovely time together and we look forward to welcoming you all back, refreshed and rested, on 6 May.



Football Tournament

During Easter, Group 6 participated in the Hilversum school football tournament. Our participants played with great determination and showed excellent teamwork. The team consists of Leonardo 2x, Kabir, Rihan, Ronnie, Rakshan, Anirudh and Jeremiah.



Big Thank You!

We would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank all the parents for their support during the sports events outside of school. Without them, none of this would have been possible.

Playground at Rem

Many of you will have noticed recent work at the Rembrandt playground. The slide and climbing frame were removed after being found unsafe due to damage. The Gemeente took them away to ensure children's safety and has since resurfaced the area with tiles. The Gemeente is now working with the Dudok committee to decide on suitable replacement equipment that fits the surrounding building.

Farewell to Cally

This week we said goodbye to Cally as she is getting prepared for her move. As a special send-off, we gifted her a personalized apron and tea towels, decorated with messages and drawings from all the students across the school. We hope these keepsakes will remind her of the wonderful memories and connections she made here. We wish her all the very best in this next chapter and hope she will pop in to visit whenever she is in the Netherlands.



Inquiry Insights

PYPX

What a journey it has been! Once again, the Grp8 stepped up this year to offer us a very informative, knowledge and passion driven PYP Exhibition. It is no mean feat for everyone involved, students first, but teachers too. Parents, your role being supportive was also essential to the overall success of the event. The process before the day itself is long, laborious but mostly extremely rewarding. It was such a pleasure to see so many illuminated faces with a mixture of pride and passion for their topic.



🌍 INTERNATIONAL SUMMER FAIR 2026 🌍

Save the date



Saturday 13th June



12:00 - 16:00



Rembrandt

🌍 FOOD STALLS WANTED!

Share your culture through food and join us for a delicious celebration of global flavours. Let's showcase traditional dishes, popular street food and sweet treats from around the world.

Would you like to host a food stall at this year's Summer Fair, sharing your culture with our school community? Then fill in the attached form before Friday 8th May.

<https://forms.gle/d4qLiqadgcQrPgM98>

Community Corner

Capoeira Club

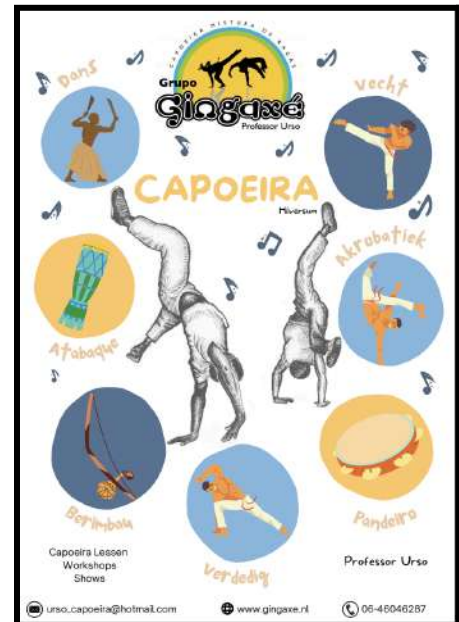
IPS Rembrandtplein / BINK – Wednesdays - 14.00-15.15 – Starting from 6 years old.

What is Capoeira?

Originating during slavery times in Brazil, capoeira is a magical mix of martial arts, dance, music and acrobatics! You learn cool moves like flowing kicks, dodging movements, balancing techniques, handstands, cartwheels and flips, all to the rhythm of traditional music. Why is Capoeira so great for children? In our capoeira classes, children discover their own strength and flexibility. They learn to play together in the 'roda' (the circle), where they show their best moves together.

Capoeira gives children:

- More self-confidence
- Better coordination and balance
- Respect for each other
- Introduction to Afro-Brazilian culture
- New friends in a friendly group
- And many more benefits!



The classes are taught by Professor Urso and Energia, who have been teaching capoeira with great pleasure at various locations for many years. The classes are in Dutch, English and Portuguese.

Come to our children's classes!

No experience needed - just the desire to move, laugh and learn new things. Everyone is welcome!

Yoga Club

IPS After School Yoga starts on Monday the 18th of May.

Mondrian on Mondays and Rembrandt on Thursdays.

Register at

<https://www.key-therapies.com/grouppractices>, click drop down menu for school yoga

After School Yoga is a fun filled yoga class designed specifically for KIDS. Yoga boosts self esteem, builds confidence and supports your child's ability to self regulate. Using music, games, dance and storytelling we build age appropriate yoga classes for your children.



In our ASY class we learn

- Meditation
- Mindful Movements and Classic Yoga Forms using music and yogic dance
- Basic Yoga Philosophy
- Relaxation Tools

Movement Fusion



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FIND YOUR RHYTHM, FUEL YOUR SOUL.

Big Moves, Big Smiles, Big Fun!
Hip Hop | Modern

Fun dance classes that improves coördination, musicality and confidence

Sign up for a **FREE** trial
Mondrian - Wednesdays
13:00 - 14:00
Rembrandt- Fridays
15:20-16:00

Scan the QR Code to book your **FREE** Trial

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CHOIR CONCERT

Come and enjoy an evening of great music and entertainment provided by your favourite local (but famous) International Women's Choir, the Hummingbirds.

A celebration of resilience and beauty, *What a Wonderful World* invites you to focus on the quiet moments of hope that still shine through uncertain times. With warmth and sincerity, this concert is a reminder that even in darkness, there is always light worth holding onto.

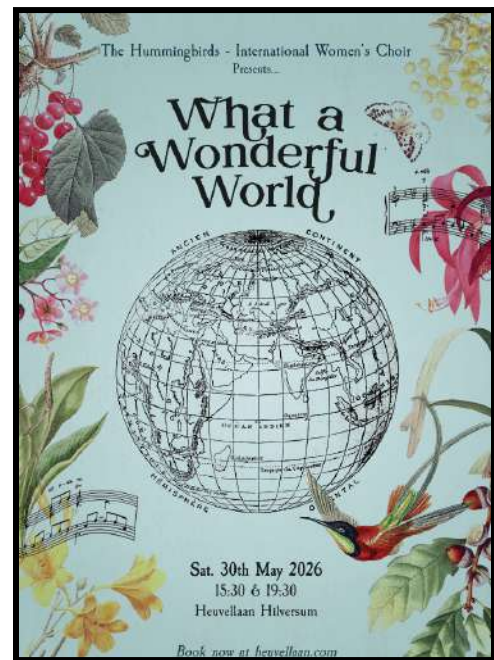
Once again, the proceeds of the concerts will go to the charity Fight Cancer.

Get your tickets quickly before they sell out!

When: 30th of May

Time: 15:15 and 19:15

Tickets: [Heuvellaan](https://heuvellaan.nl)



Reroot-a moment to land and reconnect

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There are so many moments when life just keeps moving... while something in you knows that slowing down would serve everything — your family, your work, and most of all, yourself.

When was the last time you truly paused?
Not to think or organise, but to let your mind settle and feel your body again?

Living abroad can be beautiful...
and at the same time, it can ask a lot from you. Being away from family, missing what once felt familiar, building a life in a place that is "temporary", maybe not fully "yours" yet.

You adapt.
You keep going.
Your attention moves to what needs to be done.

What happens when you turn inward for a moment?
Just to breathe, to pause, to land.
To reconnect with something in you that feels steady no matter where you are in the world.
And what you can take always and everywhere.

A small women's circle
It's a small, intimate group (max. 6-8 women), held in a very gentle and grounded way.

If this resonates, you're welcome to join.
Send me a message to reserve your spot.

My name is Karlijn Bontekamp and I'm pleased to facilitate. With a background in dance, shamanic, and energy work, I create grounded and safe spaces where you can slow down, reconnect with your body, and come back to yourself in a simple and natural way.

I always work with the energy of nature, because nature is what we are. Be your true nature is our invitation to an authentic life...

Sunday May 12 & Sunday June 14
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