



Whit Monday - 5 June
School closed



Talent Show- 7 June
Primary school



Coffee! - 21 June
Everyone welcome

ESH NEWS



Secondary students receiving their Latin certificates

Dear parents,

Since our April Newsletter, Europe was again shocked by a new nightmare act of terror. A vicious attack in which teenagers and young adults lost their lives in Manchester. There are no words that can give any comfort. Our thoughts go out to the victims and the families of the victims.

We're at the the end of the month of May and you are reading the 9th issue of the school newsletter. It is an informative one and I would like to bring to your attention the items about logistics and facilities in our school and the update on the works on the school building during the summer.

With the arrival of the Summer holidays we still have the annual Summer fair to look forward to and this year we are working together with the PTA to organise a fun day for the whole family on Saturday the 1st of July. Please join the next PTA meeting on the 7th of June if you can help us make this event a success.

Kind regards,

Frans van de Kerkhof, Director

Staff Inset day

During the INSET Days on the 8 & 9th May the ESH staff were involved in interesting professional development related to their language section and we celebrated European Day by visiting the Museum Boijmans Van Beuningen in Rotterdam. It was an interesting day for everyone!



Update on works in the school building

To facilitate the growth of the pupil numbers in especially the Primary department, ESH will carry out some smaller construction works in the short term and larger construction works in the medium long term.

For next schoolyear five extra classrooms are needed for Primary and as we cannot extend by placing another five temporary classrooms (TC's), we need to create this need within the existing accommodation.

Four classrooms will be created in the TC's by splitting the current canteen. By adapting the planning and the organisation of the lunch time in the Atrium, it is logistically possible for pupils who currently use the TC canteen to join in with the pupils who have their lunch in the Atrium. The canteen in the Atrium will only be used to serve hot meals. In designated classroom pupils who bring their own cold packed-lunches will be eating there, supervised by lunchtime supervisors.

In the main building a larger classroom will be created on the first floor by combining two smaller ones. The support office on the 2nd floor will be turned into a classroom and will therefore be relocated to the office of the director. The director's office will temporarily be moved to an office near the gymnasium. The art room on the 2nd floor will be split into two class rooms.

Also the main entrance and the entrance near the Early Years playground will be made 'draft-proof'. Sliding doors will be installed. The reception at the main entrance will be modified to meet the needs for a better view on the main gate and to better serve parents, students, visitors at the reception. These works will take place during the Summer holidays 2017 so there will be no disturbances during the school days.

For the mid-long term (2018) the canteen will be extended. Currently ESH management is in contact with the school board to plan the extension of the canteen. The plans of these works were discussed with the Participation Council (PC). We will inform the PC and the parents as soon as we have more detailed information on the extension of the canteen.

In July 2018 the school building at the Oostduinlaan becomes available for our secondary department. The school building needs to be renovated and it is likely that we cannot relocate the Secondary department in one go. We are currently investigating and planning the logistics of the relocation. We will discuss the plans in the PC and we will inform the parents as soon as we have more detailed plans.

After the relocation of Secondary to the Oostduinlaan is completed, another 24 classrooms will become available for our Primary.

Because the Secondary department will continue to be using classrooms during the school year 2018/2019, the TC's are still needed.

In the MR Primary meeting on May 18 all logistic business because of the growth of our school have been discussed. You can find all details soon on the Parent Portal.

Important dates

All school	
7th June	PTA meeting - everyone welcome
21st June	CJG Coffee Morning - everyone welcome
1st July (Saturday)	ESH Summer Fair
7th July	last day of school, school will finish at midday
21st & 22nd August	first day of school for staff only (induction days), no school for pupils
23rd August	first day of school for all pupils

Primary School	
7th June	Talent Show (organised by PTA)
29th June	Participation Council (MR) meeting
22nd June	P5-S1 Sports day
28th June	P1-P2 Sports day
30th June	P3-P4 Sports day
30th June	Parent volunteer thank you reception

Secondary School	
30th May - 2nd June	S2 Camp
22nd & 23rd June	Class Councils (no classes in afternoon)
4th July	S3 Mentor trip
5th July	S2-S5 Sports day

PRIMARY

Dutch Section Week

Van 18 tot en met 21 april hebben we de Dutch Section Week gevierd. De start was op dinsdagochtend met een overheerlijk pannenkoekenontbijt. Dank aan alle ouders die ze hebben gebakken. Een draaiorgel zorgde voor de muziek. Die dag zijn ook de t-shirts versierd door de kinderen. Op woensdag vond de Grote Rekendag plaats. Alle kinderen hebben keihard gewerkt aan de verschillende rekenprojecten en genoten van een verse warme stroopwafel. Donderdag was het tijd voor het 'Ik Hou van Holland spel', met alle Nederlandse leerkrachten en kinderen. Het was een mooi plaatje met alle kinderen in een rood, wit, blauw of oranje T-shirt en wat was het een spannende wedstrijd.

De Dutch Section Week werd op vrijdag 21 april afgesloten met de Koningsspelen, samen met de kinderen van de andere taal afdelingen. We kunnen terugkijken op een leuke Hollandse, enerverende week, waarin we hard gewerkt hebben maar vooral veel plezier hadden met elkaar.

KONINGSSPELEN

One Friday the 21st of April the Early Years and Primary department of our school celebrated Koningsspelen. This is a day dedicated to movement, creativity, healthy eating and of course our King's birthday. All children and teachers started this day with a typical Dutch breakfast. After everyone enjoyed their breakfast the sporty and creative part of this day started. All Early Years pupils started their Koningsspelen sports day with the Koningsspelen dance "Okido", followed by some traditional Dutch games during this day.

Our Primary children followed several clinics during this day, such as; Taekwondo, decorating flower pots, dance and Ping Pong. The Primary children closed this very successful day with the Koningsspelen dance "Okido".

Our school would like to thank the Albert Heijn very much for sponsoring our healthy drinks and snacks.

Sports tournament

On Wednesday the 10th of May the ESH participated in the after school sports tournament *Korfbal* at sports club KVS. We were represented with as many as five teams. To get ready for the tournament the pupils

practiced *korfball* during the P.E. lessons, and during one after-school training. As a result of our good and fair play, one of the teams won the first place in the Primary 2 category and the ESH won the Fair play prize! Our last two tournaments of this school year are Beach Korfball and Tag Rugby.

Kind regards, Eugene Voorneman, Deputy Director Primary

SECONDARY

Dear parents and students of ESH Secondary,

With the May holiday behind us we are now facing the last part of the second semester for the school year 2016-2017. With the **upcoming assessments**, B-Tests and Exams for our students, this is a intense time for both staff and pupils. With the end of year approaching, a number of festive activities are also being planned for our students. First the S2 Camp after the Ascension weekend, where all of our S2 students will be away.



Taking away the holidays, only two/ three weeks have passed since the last newsletter. This means that there isn't as much news to report as there usually is.

However, one topic we would like to tell you more about in detail are the newly **approved rules on mobile phone usage**. A working group of both students and staff have worked on these rules and after approval in the participation council, they've now gone into effect in our school. To help students remember, we've created visual aids around the school to remind them of the rules (see below). For you as parents the most important part is related to confiscation: what happens if staff take away the phone of a student? In short there is a "three strikes" system that works as follows:



- 1st time: phone is confiscated and handed to Cycle Leader. Pick it up at the end of your day.
- 2nd time: phone is confiscated and handed to Cycle Leader. Pick it up at the end of your day and lose your phone for a full day afterwards. (Hand in at the start of the day, pick up at the end of the day).
- 3rd time: phone is confiscated and handed to Cycle Leader. Pick it up at the end of your day and lose your phone for a full week afterwards. Parents are informed. (Hand in at the start of the day, pick up at the end).

The reason that our students have to bring in their phones, even if they're not allowed to use them is for a simple checking system. We want to ensure the phone is definitely not being "smuggled" into the school in any other way. By ensuring drop-off and pick-up with the cycle leaders, the students also have a daily check-in moment.

We trust we can count on your support for implementing this policy. Below is the poster that is used around the school for further clarification on "what is allowed when and where".

When Can I Use My Mobile?	When Not
Common Room & Courtyard = Always!	5 min breaks
Before 8:30am	Canteen
Break Times	Study Periods
In Class = With the Teachers Permission	La Permanence? Check with the supervisor
	Library / Quiet Zone = NO Music? S4+ only

We would like to remind parents that the **parent portal on Itslearning** is live. For example, we've recently shared the calendar for the upcoming B-Tests & S5-Exams there as well. Please check in on the parent portal every now and then to stay updated on upcoming events (the Secondary-specific calendar for parents also holds important dates for upcoming events).

Next to that we would also like to inform you that the preparations for the next academic year 2017-2018 are proceeding at a good pace. Recruitment is proceeding well and internally a large part of the organisation has been carried out or is being finalised. We will have more practical news to share concerning our next academic year over the next few weeks.

Kind Regards,

Jaap Marsman, Deputy-Director Secondary ad interim

LOST & FOUND

If your child has lost a personal belonging please check the lost & found corner (in the entrance of the atrium) or, if it is PE clothing, your child can check the gym lost & found box (near the gym). We highly recommend putting names on belongings, especially for the Early Years and lower Primary Pupils. This is the last chance to check the lost and found items before we donate them to charity.