VNS Newsletter March 2017



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have now reached the end of the first half of the Spring Term. We have enjoyed lots of fun events in the last few weeks from the school disco to the IDR bake sale. Photographs from the disco feature in this month's 'Spotlight on...'.

When we return to school on the 6th March, the classes will be starting new IPC themes. Also this week, the annual traffic lessons will begin. Class teachers should have communicated with you about any help needed and about any bikes that may be needed.

The next half-term begins quietly before leading to a very busy end. There will be the Spring Breakfast, Spring Concert and the King's Day Sponsorloop, which will take place between the long Easter weekend and the May break. More information about these events will of course follow next half-term.

Wishing you a wonderful half-term break.

Kind regards, Kay Wilson VNS Head of School kwilson@vnsdenhaag.nl



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From the VNS Location

School Council

We have been looking at the suggestion box and gone through most of the ideas, but still have some to go through as there are A LOT of suggestions! We have started picking out a few of the good ideas and are planning what to do with

them as a team. We are also preparing on our school council assembly about playground rules and how to play safely.



Parent Consultations

Parent consultations take place on Tuesday 14th and Thursday 16th March. Appointments last for ten minutes.

Sign-up sheets will be in the foyer from Monday 6th March. Should you have more than one child, please leave sufficient time between appointments to look at your child's work and get to the next teacher. It is a

long day for teachers and we appreciate good time-keeping.

If you do not sign up, a time will be allocated to you.

School Trips

We often need parents to accompany classes on school trips . Occasionally, some teachers find it difficult to recruit parent volunteers from their own class. We would be very grateful if you could offer assistance to accompany other classes on school trips. There is a sign-up sheet in the Ms Jinnyeh's office if you are interested to help out.





Important Dates

| Monday 6th March | New term starts | |
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| Tuesday 7th March | Parents Association meeting @ 08:40 (staffroom) | |
| Sunday 12th March | CPC Run | |
| Tuesday 14th March & Thursday 16th March Parent Consultation Evenings | | |
| Wednesday 29th March | Study Day—School closed for children in IDR, 1, 2 & 3 | |
| Wednesday 12th April | Spring Breakfast Book Fair | |
| Thursday 13th April | Spring Concert | |
| Friday 14th April –Monday 17th April Easter Weekend SCHOOL CLOSED | | |
| Tuesday 18th April & Thursday 20th April | | |
| | King's Day sponsorloop | |
| Monday 24th April - Friday 5th May SCHOOL CLOSED | | |

Spotlight on the school disco!

The school disco was well-attended. Lots of excited children dressed up for the occasion, many in carnival-themed attire! It was great to see so many children (and parents) dancing and enjoying themselves. Many also took advantage of the opportunity to buy glow rings, glow bracelets and helium balloons.

Many thanks to the parents association and Ms Jinnyeh who helped to organise and run this successful event. We raised the grand sum of €424!







Guess the song! Answers on the following page.





Song answers: 'Let it go' and 'Gangnam Style'

Provisional 2017-18 Holiday Dates

Please note that these are still to be approved by the GMR.

| Prinsjesdag | Tuesday 19th Sept. 2017 |
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| October Holiday | Monday 16th Oct Friday 20th Oct. 2017 |
| Christmas Holiday | Monday 25th Dec. 2017 - Friday 5th Jan. 2018 |
| Spring Holiday | Monday 26th Feb Friday 2nd March 2018 |
| Easter - Good Friday | Friday 30th March 2018 |
| Easter Monday | Monday 2nd April 2018 |
| King's Day | Friday 27th April 2018 |
| May Holiday | Monday 30th April - Friday 11th May 2018 |
| Pentecost | Monday 21st May 2018 |
| Summer Holiday | Monday 16th July - Friday 24th August 2018 |