



Newsletter number 3

Important dates in the coming weeks

Friday, November 26	Study day (all children free)
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Teachers absent

At the moment we have quite a number of colleagues who are absent. Three colleagues will be absent for a long time, a number of colleagues have to stay at home because of COVID-19 and there are regular colleagues who have to stay at home while waiting for a test result. It currently demands a lot from our organization to arrange replacements for the various groups. It is therefore possible that your child regularly has different teachers in the classroom. In extreme cases, we may give a group a day off because it is not possible to find a replacement within the organization.

New MR member wanted!

Due to the departure of a parent member from the MR council, we are looking for a new enthusiastic parent / guardian. All parents and guardians can apply if they have a child at school from the 2021-2022 school year. If you would like to contribute ideas and discuss policy matters at school, please register by sending a short motivation letter to the following e-mail address: mr@bsdepelikaan.com.

If you would like further information or have any questions, you can also contact Marijke Simmons or Patricia Gerritzen-Veen.

With best regards,

The MR Council.

Absenteeism

We notice that children often come to school late. We would like to point out that you must bring your child between 07.10 and 07.30. The teacher starts the lessons at 07:30 am. If you bring your child late, it disturbs the group. Your child also misses education when he/she arrives late for school.

If your child is ill and you decide to keep him/her at home, we would like to be informed by telephone or e-mail before 8.00 am. The phone number is 717-4301, or the email address is info@bsdepelikaan.com.

In the event of frequent absences, we are obliged to report this to the attendance officer.

**Reminder: brothers /sisters**

At the beginning of this week an email was sent to see which brothers / sisters of students who are already at bs De Pelikaan, will be coming to school for the first time in school year 2022-2023. We would like to remind you once again to pass on the requested information by email before Wednesday, November 10th.

Children's book week

Next week the Children's Book Week will start on Bonaire, we will also participate in this. This year's theme is "Be what you want to be".

The idea of this theme is to emphasize that books give children plenty of space to imagine what they want to become, regardless of what limitations there may be in real life. In this week a bookcase will be made in every class. Here the children can put in a book (or books) from home that they have already read themselves. In exchange, they can take another book from this cabinet and take it home.

We would also like it if you would come to class to tell us something about your profession or perhaps read aloud from a book of your choice during the meal. You can register with your child's teacher.

Happy reading!

Parent teacher conferences

Progress meetings will be held on Tuesday, November 23rd and Thursday, November 25th. During this meeting, we will discuss how your child is doing in class so far. Your child will not receive a report. During the conversation you can of course view your child's grades, but the emphasis of the progress conversation will be on the growth / development and general attitude of your child in the classroom. The progress interviews are optional. You can sign up with the group teacher at the door or by e-mail, you will shortly receive an e-mail about this from your child's teacher. The students and parents of group 8 are all invited in regards to the results of the IEP tests.

Crossfit

The children of groups 7 and 8 are offered the opportunity to participate in a CrossFit clinic. This clinic takes place at CrossFit Palms (next to Ocean Oasis). The kids have been working hard so far and are having a lot of fun!



Video Interaction Guidance

As part of the professionalization of our team, we started filming in different groups. Video Interaction Guidance is a method of teacher guidance in which short video recordings are made in the group with the aim of coaching teachers in their work in the classroom. Only short clips of the recording are used. Important starting points will be: the atmosphere in the classroom, help to individual students, the way the group works, and the way the teacher teaches. The video recordings are discussed with the teacher(s) and together with the coach they check how things are going in the classroom and how things can be improved. It goes without saying that the images are for internal use only and are therefore not shown to third parties. After completion of the coaching process, the images are deleted again. If you are concerned about your child's privacy, please contact Linda Maas. She is the coach at our school. You can reach her by email: linda.maas@bsdepelikaan.com.

Yours sincerely,

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