



Dear parents/guardians,

The strength of IKC Wereldwijs lies in our differences!

Everyone at Wereldwijs is different, and we are extremely proud of that. This includes our children, our colleagues, and you as parents. We all have our own thoughts, opinions, beliefs, cultures, and religions. What I find most valuable is that, despite our differences, I see very strong universal norms and values in everyone. We all care for the children. So that they can grow up in a pleasant school in a safe environment in a country where differences can also be admired and appreciated! That is what we all stand for as a team! Long live difference and celebrate our strength.

At the same time, an event took place last night, close to our school, that is completely at odds with this: during a demonstration at the asylum seekers' center, a Koran was burned and violence was used. We find this terrible and utterly reprehensible. It frightens people, touches their hearts, and causes pain, not only for families at our school but also for us as employees who have seen this or been directly affected by it.

As employees of our school, we want to emphatically state that we stand for connection, respect, and equality. In the Netherlands, every person has the right to be themselves and to believe what they want. We protect and cherish that right. Let us hold on to each other and show that differences do not drive us apart, but can enrich us.

Kind regards,

Toyah Vogels

On behalf of all employees of IKC Wereldwijs

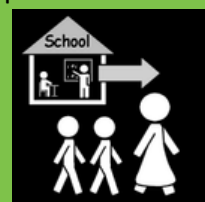
Agenda:

- **Tuesday 30 September:**
Poetsbus at school.
- **Wednesday 1 October:**
Start Children's Book Week.
- **Monday 6 October:**
Studyday Meer Primair. (No school)
- **Friday 17 October:**
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- **20 t/m 24 October:** Autumn holiday (No school)

Wednesdays:

The pupils in the language classes finish at 12.30 pm on Wednesdays.
The primary school children go home at 2.30 pm.
They play in the playground during break time.

If you are picking up your child from the language class, please wait outside the playground, behind the fences.
The teacher will bring the pupils outside.





Voluntary parental contribution

Every year, our school organises various activities that are not funded by the government. These include holidays, cultural activities, excursions and school trips. To make these activities possible, we ask for a voluntary parental contribution. For this school year, the parental contribution is €50 per pupil.

We emphasise that the parental contribution is voluntary. Your child can always participate in all activities, even if you are unable or unwilling to pay (part of) the parental contribution.

Of course, we hope that as many parents/guardians as possible will be willing to contribute so that we can realise these activities.

It is possible to adjust the amount upwards or downwards. We are grateful for all contributions. If you are unable to make a financial contribution, we can often use help with the preparations and on the day itself when organising activities for children. You can ask Margreet Kerkhof, the liaison officer, for more information every Monday and Wednesday morning during coffee morning.

You can pay the contribution via the QR code or link below.

Scan the QR code to pay €50.00 for the
Parental Contribution 2025-2026.

Use the Camera App on your mobile phone.



<https://betaalverzoek.rabobank.nl/betaalverzoek/?id=UJRB9x zLTE-N04VK3sL2HQ>

Did you know that?

New bicycle racks have recently been installed to the right of our bicycle shed.



Did you know that?

Children's Book Week 2025 will take place from 1 to 12 October. The theme is 'Full of adventure!'

Children's Book Week is an annual event in the Netherlands dedicated to children's books and promoting reading.

We will also be paying extra attention to Children's Book Week at school.



Citizenship

This school year, we have actively started working on citizenship. Citizenship is about how we live together, make choices and take each other into account inside and outside school. It gives children tools to contribute positively to our society.

Our focus this year is treating each other with respect. This means that we practise listening to each other's opinions, helping each other and appreciating each other's differences. In the classroom and in the schoolyard, we focus on this through discussions, activities and practical examples.

Both locations now have a citizenship board. Each group contributes to this twice a year on a chosen topic. This allows us to showcase what the children are working on and learn from and with each other.

A presentation on battery recycling is also planned for the near future. This ties in with another important focus of IKC Wereldwijs: sustainability. We believe it is important for children to learn how to treat the world of today and tomorrow with respect.

In addition, we started a student council this school year. It consists of eight representatives from groups 5 to 8 who meet seven times with a teacher. Together, they contribute ideas about school matters and learn how participation and responsibility work. Older children from the language classes also join in a number of meetings. In this way, we ensure that everyone feels heard and we learn together how important it is to actively contribute to a pleasant and respectful school environment.

Gemma Matthiesen
Citizenship Coordinator



Did you know that?

All children up to the age of 18 can become members of the public library free of charge.

You can register via this link:
<https://www.cpunt.nl/bibliotheek/lid-worden>

Please note! When registering, the system will first ask you to create a login account. You will then use this for all your library matters. After creating the account, you will automatically return to the page where you can complete your registration.





Logging into the COOL portal at home

This week, Parro provided instructions on how to log in to our software portal. This portal has COOL, which children can use to practise reading, arithmetic, spelling and language at home. They also have access to Word and PowerPoint. Curious? You can find all the information in the Parro app!

Agreements regarding decommissioned Chromebooks

Occasionally, we have decommissioned Chromebooks available. These are Chromebooks that still work well but are four years old and have been decommissioned by the school. We then consider whether we can give them to families who do not have a computer at home. We are happy to organise this for you, but we do have some agreements in place. The agreements are as follows.

- 1) The request must come from the class teacher or a request from the parents/guardians to Margreet Kerkhof, our liaison officer.
- 2) Margeeth and Niels, the IT specialist, will check whether there are enough Chromebooks available.
- 3) Margeet will decide on the request. A request does not guarantee that you will receive one.
- 4) Each family may request a maximum of one Chromebook. Multiple requests from one family are not possible.
- 5) The Chromebook comes with a letter in several languages explaining how to set up the Chromebook at home.

The Chromebook is intended for the children and not for the parents.

The school accepts no liability for any loss of data.

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Vacancy

Motivated and committed parents for the Participation Council

IKC Wereldwijs is looking for motivated parents who want to contribute ideas on how we can further improve IKC Wereldwijs.

What is a Participation Council (MR)?

Every school has an MR, which discusses all kinds of topics related to the school and education. An MR always consists of parents and staff.

What powers does an MR have? The MR has an important position within the school. For many decisions taken by the board or management, it is mandatory to consult parents and staff. This is done through the MR and is laid down in the School Participation Act (WMS).

There are different types of decisions, such as:

- those on which the MR gives advice,
- those for which the MR's consent is required, and
- those on which the management only needs to inform the MR.

The MR of IKC Wereldwijs

In the best-case scenario, this consists of three staff members and three parents. Together, we work to improve the school and education.

What do we expect from you?

- Commitment to the quality of IKC Wereldwijs and education.
- Interest in school policy and school rules.
- Affinity with meetings and reading documents.
- Attendance at MR meetings (6 times per school year).
- A critical and open attitude.
- Good communication skills in Dutch or English.

What's in it for you?

Serving on the MR is voluntary work for parents. You will gain more insight into the education and organisation of your child(ren)'s school. You will also gain experience in devising and monitoring policy.





MR members are entitled to training. For example, on the rules and practice of employee participation, negotiation, meeting techniques and strategy. This means you also benefit personally from additional training and skills.

Does this position appeal to you and would you like to join the MR? Please send an email introducing yourself briefly and explaining why you would like to join the MR to mr@ikcwereldwijs.nl. We will then contact you. Please send your responses before 17 October.

If there are more responses than available places, elections will be organised.

Vegetable gardens



The (vegetable) gardens at school

Vegetable gardens have been planted by the fence in front of the New Silo. They are already growing and flowering very well.

Behind the school playground, next to the New Silo, the layout will be different. A gardener will use recycled materials to create a beautiful garden with seating areas, fruit trees, flowers and vegetable gardens.

The garden will be a place where we can learn more about nature, work together and see where our food comes from. It is more than a place of learning—it will be a meeting place for the entire neighbourhood!

Together, we are creating a greener, more beautiful and healthier environment!

