

Amsterdam, March 18, 2024

Dear parents and guardians,

Spring is in the air... maart roert zijn staart en april doet wat ie wil (Dutch proverbs: March stirs its tail and April does what it wants)! The weather is unpredictable and changeable, but it means summer is approaching. But first next week is the official start of spring. This should of course be celebrated and you can read how we are going to do that in this parent letter.

Would you like to enjoy spring with your children now? Then take a look at the Bloesempark in the Amsterdamse Bos in the coming days... the trees only bloom for a short time but it is beautiful (see photo below)!

We had a nice ending to our previous theme before the spring holidays and then started a new theme. Also a nice article about this below.

What we are very happy and proud of is that all parents are now linked to Parro. All information from the campus or from the unit groups now reaches everyone. So keep a close eye on the app for fun, informative and important messages.

Would you like more information about Kindercampus Mokum or do you know people who are interested in our school? Then go to our website and/or social media:

website: <https://www.kindercampusmokum.nl>

facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/KindercampusMokum/>

instagram: https://www.instagram.com/kindercampus_mokum/

We hope you enjoy reading this new parent letter!

Vriendelijke groet,

Mirjam Bremer & Peter Sniijders



Register new children

Last week, another registration round was completed for children born between September 1 and December 31, 2020. If your child (or the child of a neighbor, family, friends) was born during this period, we can report that we still have limited space for some children.

After the summer holidays, we also have a number of places available in units 3 (grade 3) and 4 (grade 4 and 5) for lateral entrants.

We request that you let us know as soon as possible via our administration/management assistant Anita. You can send her an email (admin.kcm@innoord.nl) or give her a call: 020-2250034.

Education inspectorate



Inspectie van het Onderwijs
Ministerie van Onderwijs, Cultuur en
Wetenschap

On Tuesday, February 27, we had the education inspectorate visit. The inspectorate always visits new schools to check whether various matters are in order. They look at, for example, the school plan, the annual plan, the formation (authority of all colleagues), the number of hours that children go to school per year and the results achieved (pupil monitoring system). As management, we have therefore sent all kinds of information to the inspector in advance.

The conversation with the inspector was a pleasant and open conversation. The inspector has gotten a good picture of Children's Campus Mokum. It was nice that what we had on paper was also visible in practice during the tour and unit visits. He also noticed this positively. We can also be satisfied with our results.

We were happy with the compliments we received from the inspection and are especially proud of our team and all the children who work so fantastically at Kindertcampus Mokum!

More information about the legal framework of the Education Inspectorate can be found at [the website of the education inspectorates \(in Dutch\)](#).

Agenda

Monday March 18

unit 5: "the garbage man in the stamgroep"

Tuesday March 19

unit 2 and 3 to [Naturalis Leiden](#)

Wednesday March 20

school football

Thursday March 28

study day → **all children free**

During this above-school study day, our Innoord board will present the new Course Plan for 2024 - 2028 to all employees

Friday March 29 - Monday April 1

Easter weekend → **everyone free**

Tuesday April 2

start new unit 2 stamgroep

Friday April 12

Spring celebration with a festive lunch

Thursday April 25 (9 - 10 am)

information meeting for new parents (of children who are still turning 4)

every Friday in March and April

weekly film lessons grade 7

The next parent letter will be shared with you in week 16 or 17.





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Spring Celebration

As we wrote above, spring will start soon. There are also many other things we are looking forward to. At the end of March we have a long weekend off for Easter. A few children are also currently participating in Ramadan, which ends with Eid-al-Fitr at the beginning of April. The parent committee and we therefore thought it would be a shame to plan a breakfast on campus before Easter and would like to bundle all these celebrations into a Mokum Spring Celebration... a pleasant lunch with a glimpse of Easter and a touch of Eid-al-Fitr. We will do this on Friday April 12. More information about this will follow as soon as possible.



Sports activities with Malenthe

School football

On a beautiful Wednesday, March 6, our Kindercampus Mokum football team was eager to start the school football tournament. The sun was shining brightly and everyone was excited. With a lot of team spirit, the players were ready to shine on the field.

The first match started with a lot of energy! It was exciting until the end, but ultimately ended in a 0-0 draw. Despite the hard work, we were proud of our players.

Unfortunately we lost the second game 0-3. But that doesn't stop us! On Wednesday, March 20, we will take to the field again, determined to win. We play our last two games at T.O.B.

We invite you all to come watch and cheer us on! Let's make history together on the football field! Until then!

King's Games

Unfortunately, we have not been selected to participate in the joint King's Games this year. This means that we are organizing a modest celebration of the King's Games this year. We start the day with the [King's Games Song](#), that the whole school will sing and dance. Would you like to practice at home, so that everyone can perform the King's Dance? After the song we have a nice breakfast in the classroom. After breakfast, the lower classes start with sporting activities in the exercise box. The upper grades end the day with a joint tournament in the exercise box. We hope that everyone will come to school dressed in orange, and we are convinced that we will make it a wonderful day together!





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start new stamgroep unit 2

As a growing school, we are happy with a steady influx of toddlers. This also means that our current unit 2 stamgroepen, are full and that we can start a third stamgroep from April 2. Fortunately, we also have the staff for this, so that is extra nice!

We looked at several options and opted for a regular stamgroep. There are several reasons for this that have been carefully considered. From April 2, our toddlers will be divided into 3 new groups. During this distribution, the teachers, IB and management look at educational needs, age and other factors. This seems drastic, but fortunately it is not at all because of our unit education; the children know all the teachers and support staff and will not see any new faces. However, as a parent or guardian you may have to deal with a different stamgroep teacher.

This proposal was also discussed with the MR on Thursday, March 14, and both the staff and parent sections agree with this proposal.

We will inform the parents involved of the new layout on Tuesday, March 26.

MR

The MR was already discussed above; they are involved in advice and/or consent on matters related to our campus policy. It is also nice to be able to discuss these matters with each other and with the management.

The MR consisted of 2 staff members and 2 parents. Unfortunately, one parent has recently withdrawn. As a result, there is a vacancy for another parent in our MR. If you would like more information or would like to register as a candidate member, you can do so with the (current) chairman of the MR. You can send Naomie Derks an email at mr.kcm@innoord.nl.

If there is interest from more parents, the MR will consider expansion (3 parents, 3 staff members) or elections will be held among the parents and caregivers. We will keep you informed!

Parent contribution and Parent Committee

Most parents and caregivers have now paid the voluntary parental contribution for their child(ren). **On behalf of the parent committee and especially on behalf of the children... thank you!!!**

As a campus we cannot do without your contribution. Various activities are only possible thanks to this voluntary parental contribution. Also the excursions and extra activities around the themes of GO! (Integrated Education) are partly made possible by this.

If you have not yet paid, this is of course still possible:

You can transfer **€55.00 per child** to:

Kindercampus Mokum - InNoord

IBAN: NL 82 TRIO 0788 7952 87

citing name (first and last name) of child and grade (1 to 8)

In addition, a number of parents and children can happily use a city pass.

IF YOU HAVE A CITY PASS FOR YOUR CHILDREN, YOU CAN HAVE IT SCANNED AT ANITA EVERY DAY. WITH THIS SCANNING DATA WE CAN DECLARE €55.00 TO THE MUNICIPALITY FOR YOU, SO YOU DO NOT HAVE TO PAY ANYTHING.

MORE INFO: CONTACT ANITA (ADMINISTRATION) OR VISIT

[HTTPS://WWW.AMSTERDAM.NL/PAKJEKANS](https://www.amsterdam.nl/pakjekans)

We would like to thank you in advance for your contribution and especially the parent committee for their tireless efforts!



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Cycling Doctors

Free bicycle repairs at school... 'Cycling Doctors' came about because there are thousands of broken children's bicycles at home (in sheds) or on the street. These are often not used because the costs of having a bicycle repaired quickly become high. That is why the municipality of Amsterdam offers free bicycle repairs in collaboration with experienced bicycle repair shops. With this they try to get people from Amsterdam to cycle (again). Approximately 12 children's bicycles can be repaired on our campus during a half day, with a max of two repairs per bicycle.

Are you interested in taking advantage of this offer? Then we would like to hear from you as soon as possible. There are posters in the administration and Anita has an inventory list of the repairs. It is important to complete this in advance, otherwise the bicycle doctor will not know which materials to bring. Bicycles that have too many rust spots are not eligible.

As soon as we have 8 registrations or more, we will make an appointment with the Cycling Doctors this spring.

N.B. If there are more than 12 registrations, a selection will be made and we will give priority to parents and children who use the city pass.



GO! (integrated education)

What a party it was... The conclusion of our theme "Leonardo & the Renaissance" was fantastic in our Mokums Museum. Works of art hung throughout the building and the results of workshops were displayed. Even the babies at daycare had created a joint work of art! The results were impressive, but so was the large turnout of parents and guardians. And it's nice that the feedback is so positive. On the next page of this parent letter there are a few more photos with impressions of the afternoon.

We now have a new theme from GO! started. The theme "Earth" also has different learning paths, so some children will spend a lot of time with water and others with air. The first groups have already had a visit from a garbage collector in the classroom. In this way, children become aware of how important it is to treat the earth properly and, for example, not to just throw garbage and junk on the street. Very nice lessons!

The young children will also go to Naturalis in Leiden on Tuesday, March 19... we are curious how enthusiastic they will come away from there!



Staffing unit 5

As most parents and guardians know, since January we not only have a number of new children in unit 5, but also a new colleague. We are very happy that Nathalie Waardenburg has been supplementing our team on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays since December 2023.

On Friday you can also find Noa Pronk in unit 5. Noa wants to take the Pabo next school year and is using this period to orientate herself about primary education and to get a taste of it. Welcome Nathalie and Noa!

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