



ISG Newsletter

International School
Groningen
Postbus 6105
9752HE
Groningen
is@maartens.nl

March 23, 2009

Letter from the Head...

I believe that spring is finally here! After a long and drawn out winter the mornings and evenings are brighter and the students seem (slightly) more awake at 8.25. We have had a busy few weeks: the DP oral exams are coming to an end (over 15 hours of oral work now to be standardized, graded and sent to the IBO), moderation for the MYP is also due next week to be sent to the IBO (over 400 pieces of work) so DHL have been (and will continue to be) regular visitors at our door. Now the sun is shining the students have been relaxing outside in the sunshine and the teachers rushing around with large envelopes and MP3 recorders!

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the PSG for the new picnic tables making life even more relaxing on these summer days. Thank you!!

To finish, we are currently making arrangements to send questionnaires on 'school life' to all parents: please watch your e-mail and postboxes! We are a small school with approximately 100 sets of parents and therefore every answer will be of benefit as we make our plans for the 2009/10 school year—and beyond. I look forward to your help with this!

Mike Weston. Head of School

Coming up...

- Monday 23 March: all reports issued.
- Wednesday 25 March: **all** lessons after 14.05 cancelled due to whole school meeting (Maartenscollege). The Esserberg will closed at 14.15.
- Wednesday 8 April: Parents Appointment Evening — this will take place from 18.30 in the Hemmenlaan building (behind the International School)
- 9 April: Environment Project Day: MYP1/2. This is postponed until June. Lessons and SGS will be as normal on this day.
- 10 - 14 April. The school will be closed for Easter. Lessons start 15 April at 08.25. (14 April is a staff in-service day)

Dates for 2009/2010.

It may be a long way away but there will be a slight change to our published dates in the Year Calendar. The new school year will begin at **09.00 TUESDAY 25th AUGUST** for all students. Lessons/activities start on 26 August. Further details will of course follow in the summer months!

PSG: Fundraiser: 15 May - 18.30 !!! Keep the date free !!!
See newsletter on website for more info !!!

Bicycles: illegal parking of bicycles remains an issue for the school, the neighbours of the school and the police. Please read the information on our website (Headlines)

Quote of the issue: **You don't have to be great to start, but you have to start to be great.** Zig Ziglar