



# iDSB NEWSLETTER

April 2026

Dear school community,

In the primary school, the **GS Kiosk** will soon be opening its doors, and the **Kapla Days** invite you to marvel, build and discover.

There's plenty going on in the secondary school too: everyone's pitching in at the **Car Wash**, the **secondary school musical 'The Prom'** promises to be a real emotional rollercoaster on stage, and an exciting **information session** will explore the question of a screen-free childhood and adolescence.

We also offer a glimpse into the latest renovations at the iDSB, as well as interesting insights from our **conversation with the Mayor of Wezembeek-Oppem**.

Curious to find out more? We hope you enjoy reading!

Warm regards,  
Your iDSB Team

*NOTE: If you would like to receive the **newsletter in GERMAN** in the future, please send an email to [marketing@idsb.eu](mailto:marketing@idsb.eu)*

## DATES

**Every Thursday, 8 - 9 am** | Parents' Café in the OS

**29.04.2026** | Open Day (Online)

**29.04.2026** | Parent-child-gymnastics

**30.04.2026** | GS-Kiosk

**01.05.2026** | Public Holiday (school closed)

**06.05.2026** | Parent-child-gymnastics

**04. - 08.05.2026** | Bündelungswoche (OS)

**11.05.2026** | Kapla Days (GS and preschool)

**11.05.2026** | Wake Up Call: "Kids Unplugged Belgium"- For a screen-free childhood and adolescence

**13.05.2026** | Car Wash

**13.05.2026** | Parent-child-gymnastics

**14.05. - 25.05.2026** | Whitsun holidays

**26.05.2026** | Pedagogical Day (emergency care for KiBi and GS)

**28.-29.05.2026** | Music Theatre 9-12th grades

**03.06.2026** | Parent-child-gymnastics

**08.06.2026** | A-level exam day (no lessons in the OS – emergency childcare for 5-6th grades)

**10.06.2026** | Parent-child-gymnastics

**17.06.2026** | Parent-child-gymnastics

**19.06.2026** | Krabbel-Café

**24.06.2026** | Parent-child-gymnastics

**29.06.2026** | The School Association's Summer Reception

**30.06.2026** | Music Theatre 4.-6. Klassen

**01.07.2026** | Parent-child-gymnastics

**09.07.2026** | GS-Sommer Party

**29.08.2026** | First-year welcome ceremony

## LATEST NEWS

### GS Kiosk on 30 April

On Thursday 30 April, the second primary school kiosk of this school year will take place. As well as the classics – hot dogs and freshly baked waffles – the children can look forward to some new surprises this time too.

As usual, the proceeds from the kiosk will be used to buy new toys for the playground. The selection will be made in consultation with the pupils, so that their wishes and ideas are taken into account.

We hope all the children have a great time and enjoy their food!



### Invitation: Wake Up Call with Kids Unplugged Belgium



Dear parents,

We would like to cordially invite you to a special event:

Wake Up Call with Lies Craynest from 'Kids Unplugged Belgium': **11 May, 2.10 pm, iDSB foyer.**

"Kids Unplugged Belgium" is an initiative by committed parents who advocate for a screen-free childhood and adolescence. During this foyer discussion, Lies Craynest will provide fascinating insights into the initiative's mission and work and encourage a joint exchange of views.

Attendance is compulsory for pupils in Years 11ab and 12abf.

In preparation, the documentary "Can't Look Away - The Case Against Social Media" has already been covered in class.

We also recommend that you, as parents, watch this powerful documentary.

## Car & Bike Wash on 13 May

On Wednesday, 13 May 2026, we, Year 12, will be organising another (and final!) car (and bike) wash at the iDSB. We're charging **€15 to wash a car and €5 for a bike**. The proceeds will go towards our graduation fund.

The car wash will take place in the secondary school's staff car park **between 11.30 am and 3.40 pm**.

You can either drop by spontaneously or book a slot in advance via the following link: [Car Wash](#) (if you do not have access to this, please use



your children's account). We ask that you do not change or delete other bookings.

To pass the time whilst you wait, you can also enjoy a few snacks and drinks at our stand on site.

Please note that only three cars can be washed at a time. We estimate around 15 minutes per vehicle.



We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible, along with your car or bicycle!

Your Year 12

## Invitation to the OS musical "The Prom" – 28 & 29 May



We warmly invite you to this year's Upper School musical:

**'The Prom'** on **28 May and 29 May at 7.30 pm** in the iDSB auditorium.

With plenty of energy, humour and depth, our Sixth Form is bringing the acclaimed musical "The Prom" to the stage. The story centres on Emma, a student who is set to be excluded from the prom – simply because she wants to attend with her girlfriend.

When four dazzling Broadway stars hear about this, they sense an opportunity for a comeback through social engagement and promptly travel from New York to help. But their efforts initially

cause plenty of chaos. Amidst the glitz, grand gestures and heartfelt moments, a touching story unfolds about courage, self-acceptance and the power to stand up for what is right.

Look forward to an entertaining evening.

## School renovation during the Easter holidays

Whilst some were enjoying the sunshine in faraway places during the Easter holidays and others were out walking in the rain here, renovation work at the school was in full swing.

All the caretakers were hard at work from dawn till dusk, together with a whole team of tradespeople: they sanded floors, painted walls, replaced light bulbs, dismantled radiators, dug up soil and assembled KiBi cloakrooms piece by piece.

As a special 'bonus', we also had a burst water pipe in the secondary school, which fortunately did not disrupt the holiday care at KiBi.

Many thanks to our hard-working caretakers and all the external tradespeople!



## Updated Rules on (School) Book Loans

The rules for borrowing (school) books have been updated. Here you will find all the important information regarding loan periods, returns and what to do if a book is damaged: [LINK](#) to the rules



## Parents needed as chaperones

If you would like to accompany our pupils into town on these dates (from approx. 10.00 am to 3.30 pm), we look forward to hearing from you by email at: [sophie.ruffert@idsb.eu](mailto:sophie.ruffert@idsb.eu)

Even if your child is not in Year 6, you are very welcome to support us! The project is supervised by experienced volunteers and teachers; however, we rely on your help.

Thank you very much!

Vera Aubrée and Sophie Ruffert



## Discussion with the mayor: Important updates on transport, safety and school networks

During a constructive and very friendly meeting with the mayor of Wezembeek-Oppem, key concerns of our school community were discussed and initial concrete progress was made.

### 1. Parking situation on Beekstraat / Rue du Ruisseau

Parking on the hard shoulder is to be permitted in future. In this context, there are also plans to install appropriate traffic signs.

### 2. Traffic calming measures on Beekstraat

The so-called 'ralentisseurs' (speed bumps) will not be reinstalled after the road is resurfaced, as they cause too much noise. Instead, structural measures are planned for the coming weeks and months to narrow the road and thus reduce speed.

### 3. Cycle path in front of the primary school

The council acknowledges the problem but does not yet have a concrete solution. One possible measure could be implemented as part of the Flemish 'Octopus' programme: this involves installing yellow warning posts featuring a purple octopus, designed to encourage motorists and cyclists to drive more carefully. The local council has already begun equipping schools in Wezembeek with these. One of the requirements is that Dutch lessons are offered, which we meet.

### 4. Wezembeek Schools Committee

The mayor will advocate for our school to be invited to future meetings of this committee.

We will continue to monitor these issues and keep you informed of further developments.

## Wanted: Natura 1 & Natura 2 for biology lessons

Does anyone still have a copy of 'Natura 1' or 'Natura 2' at home that they no longer need?

The books are for the secondary school library so that the biology department can use them in lessons.

If you would like to donate a copy, please feel free to hand it in at the secondary school library or at reception.



Thank you very much for your support!

## Don't forget to apply for discounts

Discount applications must be submitted anew for each school year and will only be accepted if they contain all the necessary details. They must be submitted two months before the start of the month in which the discount is to take effect. For the 2026/27 school year, the **deadline** is therefore **30 June 2026**.

Click [HERE](#) for the discount application form.

## Join our team!



Would you like to join our dedicated team? Take a look at our vacancies at iDSB: visit our [careers portal](#).

## Are you leaving us?

# IMPORANT

If you are leaving at the start of the new school year, please remember that you must give written notice by 31 May. Click [HERE](#) for the digital notice of termination form.

## Doing good together: Thank you for our support of Voedselhulp Druivenstreek

For many years, we have been donating the leftover, unopened meals from the canteen to Voedselhulp Druivenstreek. The organisation has now sent us a postcard to express their heartfelt thanks – a gesture that we were delighted to receive. We greatly value this valuable partnership and are grateful to be able to make a contribution in this way.



## Event-Tipps for Wezembeek-Oppem

**18.05.** [Mega Garage Sale](#)

**29.05.** [The Longest Table](#)

## 24.06. Outdoor Play Day

This year's Buitenspeeldag / Journée plein air / Outdoor Play Day will take place on Wednesday 24 June from 12:00 to 18:00 on the lawn and the former playground of 'De Letterbijter' school in Ban Eik. Children up to the age of 13 (accompanied by a grandparent or parent) are welcome.

As every year, a varied programme awaits the children, featuring bouncy castles, a mobile farm and many other play activities. A food truck will be on hand to provide refreshments, including waffle sticks, ice cream and drinks. Admission is free and no registration is required.

## REVIEWS

To read more, simply click on the article:

- [Study Trip Izieu](#)
- [Circus Week Primary School](#)
- [Democracy in Dialogue: School pupils discuss issues with MEP Nela Riehl](#)
- [Journalism up close – a workshop with Belgieninfo at the IDSB](#)
- [Experiencing careers first-hand: A great response to the Career Afternoon](#)
- [Bundeswehr workshop: Insights into career and training pathways](#)

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