

**Parent newsletter Friday 29 March 2019**

Dear parents,

Last Friday it was 'Belgium Day' at the HSL, which was officially opened with the Belgian anthem. The Belgian Ambassador, His Excellency Mr. Andy Detaille presented a quiz about all things Belgian during the assembly. The rest of the day the children spent learning about Belgium in various ways including, for example, the Swedish running game. The Belgian ambassador taught our groups 7 a special class about Belgium and the children were treated to Belgian waffles, pralines and apples. We want to thank Katja Duron for baking no less than 500 waffles, and we also wish to thank the ambassador for his attendance, for providing the Belgian materials and for arranging the apples and chocolates. They were a big hit in our school!

This past week information was sent out about our Easter breakfast. If you are supplying dishes and cutlery for your breakfast please do not use plastic single use dishes and utensils for this occasion. As a school it is important to us to reduce the use of single use plastics and to promote the use of sustainables.

Also this week we had our poetry and reading week, during which the children were able to enjoy poems and stories in our library and in class. A warm thanks to all parents who contributed by reading to the children or were otherwise involved in this week's event.

A new date has been set for our Spring Concert. This musical event will take place on Thursday 16 May at 7 pm.

After having been with us for almost 12 years Mr. Stan has announced his departure from our school by the end of this school year. The HSL is most grateful to Mr. Stan for everything he has done and contributed as a teacher and as a member of our Management Team for the development of the children and to the educational program at the HSL. We wish Mr. Stan and his wife the best of luck and a wonderful time in the next step in their life in New Zealand.

With kind regards,

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HSL Principal