

MR Update

February 2026

Dear ISH Community,

Greetings from the Medezeggenschapsraad (MR). We would like to share a short update following our most recent meeting and highlight a few topics that were discussed. As always, the MR represents parents, students and staff, and works together with the school to support the continued development of the ISH community.

What's Been Happening?

IB report for Secondary

The Secondary section of ISH recently completed the International Baccalaureate (IB) evaluation for the MYP and DP programmes and received a very positive report. The school was found to be fully compliant with IB requirements, aligned with the vision of the IB and with examples of excellent practice across many areas.

This evaluation takes place every five years and is an important moment for schools to reflect on their programmes and practices. If you would like to read the summary report, please refer to the email that was shared by the Heads of School on 6 March.

Winter holidays 2026 to 2027

The MR discussed the options for the winter holiday period for the 2026 to 2027 school year. It has now been confirmed that the winter holiday will run from **Friday afternoon 11th December 2026 to 3 January 2027**.

Staffing updates

Over the past few months several new teachers and cover teachers have joined the ISH community. We are pleased to welcome them and wish them a great start at the school.

Teachers have also received a survey to indicate their availability for the 2026 to 2027 academic year, which supports planning for the coming school year.

Schoolfees

School fees for the next academic year are currently being discussed with the Board. The updated fees will be shared with the community in May. The fee structure will remain aligned with other Dutch International Schools (DIS).

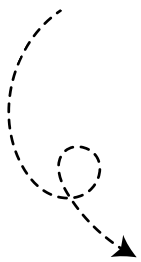
Timetabling in Secondary

Work has already started on the Secondary timetable for the next school year. In developing the timetable the school considers IB requirements, Dutch education regulations, lesson structures, and the overall workload for both students and staff.

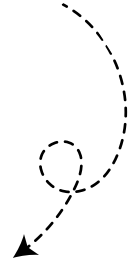
MR meetings and agenda points

Our next MR meeting is scheduled for 16 April.

If there are topics you would like the MR to discuss, agenda points can be submitted by email to mr@internationalschoolhaarlem.nl. To allow time for preparation, items should ideally be submitted at least two weeks before a meeting, although urgent topics can sometimes be added later.



Stay connected!



Got questions or suggestions?
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We're here to represent you, so let's keep the conversation going!