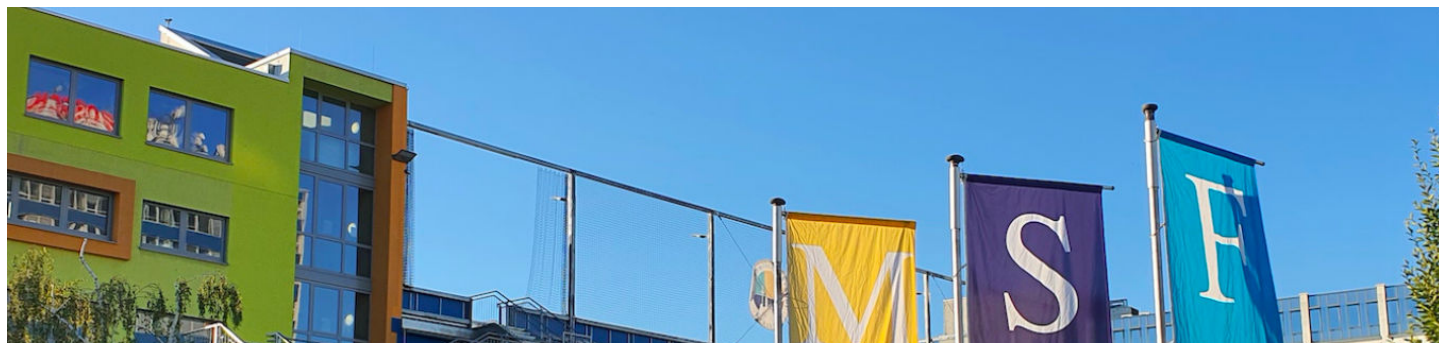


24th November 2022



Whole School Announcements

General Information

MSF's Evaluation Visit: SURVEY!

The community survey is a vital part of our evaluation preparation and paperwork. All MSF stakeholder groups will be asked to complete this survey. The parent survey will be sent to you shortly (1 per family) and is available in the following languages: English, German, Japanese, Korean and Spanish. It will take approximately 7-15 minutes to complete - all questions are multiple choice. PLEASE help us to improve by making sure you complete the survey within the timeframe.

Message from our nurse

The flu and cold season has started early this year. Many people are sick at the moment and we still have a long winter ahead of us. The control of infectious diseases is the responsibility of our whole community. The spread of those illnesses is limited by early recognition and action. Sick students can contaminate staff and students, and parents should keep a sick child at home. Please report all cases of infectious diseases directly to our school office, as this will help us to monitor conditions and prevent their spread. [Here](#) you'll find a list of the most common notifiable diseases and more information about them. Any student suspected of having an infectious disease must be seen by a doctor, as only the doctor can properly diagnose illnesses. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

As a quick guide, you should not send your child to school if any of the following symptoms are present:

- Temperature above 38°C
- Acute cold, sore throat or persistent cough
- Vomiting, nausea or severe abdominal pain
- Diarrhoea
- Red inflamed or discharging eyes
- Suspected and untreated head lice
- Acute skin rashes or eruptions
- Other symptoms of acute illness

Registration for Eintracht Rugby Experience

MSF have an exciting opportunity to introduce new players to the wonderful community of [Eintracht Rugby](#)! On Saturday, 10th December there will be fun sessions arranged for girls and boys aged 7-15 years old, wanting to get a taste of what rugby is all about from 12:00 - 13:30. Families can relax on the sidelines while players enjoy practising skills and playing games at [the home of Eintracht Rugby](#). Parents are encouraged to [register interest for this event \(HERE\)](#) before Tuesday, 6th December, to experience one of the fastest growing sports in the world!

Action required! Please complete forms

ONLY PRI + SEC: Voluntary student covid testing sign up

If you wish your child to do voluntary covid testing at home, please fill in the [voluntary student covid testing form](#), deadline to sign up is Monday, 28th November 08:00.

Events

“The Spectrum” @MSF sports hall, 30.11.22, 18:00

Lift School Spirit - 35% of the high school student body will be performing on stage!! 3 reasons to attend “the Spectrum: Live streaming has been wonderful but it's just not the same as sitting there and experiencing that electricity, with a group of other people that you don't even know and all being brought together. **Carrie Hope Fletcher, Actress**

One of the things I love about music is live performance. **Yo-Yo Ma, Musician**

I love live performances. I like little mistakes because that's what makes perfect - the mistakes. **Jorja Smith, Singer**

Wednesday 30th November 2022

MSF Sports Hall

Curtain up at 6pm. Finish at the latest by 8pm (15 minute interval)

Please note that due to staging logistics much of the audience will be seated on the floor. Please consider your clothing so this is as comfortable as possible. Seating will be provided at the back for those unable to sit on the floor.

Bake Sale Coming Up



‘Tis the season to be jolly!

Parents, staff and alumni, please join Friends of MSF for the first-ever [MSF Wine & Weihnachtsmarkt](#) on **Tuesday, 13th December 2022 from 18:00 - 20:00!** Click [HERE](#) to register for the event. DEADLINE: 8th December.



STAY UPDATED:



Early Years



Primary School



Secondary School



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	St Nikolaus Visit & EY Assembly (TRB)	Winter Show	Bulletin	

Message from Ms Henkel



Last week, a message in the news caught my attention. In Germany, 39% of the 1-8 year old children are rarely or never read to. This has been assessed through the Stiftung Lesen.

Reading to children is a daily practice in our pedagogical setting and through weekly library visits we try to instil a love of reading from an early age on. Children who are read to regularly are better equipped for early years, primary and secondary school and everyday life. The effects of reading to children have been summarised by the [Stiftung Lesen](#).

As a team, we have been discussing the idea of including a trip to the Rödelheim public library in our outdoor learning times or lending books from the library. Parents can also sign up their child or family at their local public library and enjoy the (almost) free services of lending books, CD's, audio books and games.

Furthermore, you are invited into our MSF library on Tuesdays from 08:30-09:15 or to take advantage of our Online Library system Sora. Please [complete the form](#) to become a member.

Student Photos

Please follow this [link](#) to purchase the student photos made by the photographer Anastasia Schmid two weeks ago. You should all have received a QR code straight after the photo shooting. If you cannot find the QR code, please send an email to Ms Schmid (info@anasfoto.de) including your child's full name & class name.

EY Winter Holiday Programme - Registration still open

If you would like to register your child/ren for the Winter Holiday Programme, please click [here](#). Please note that we have streamlined the payment process to reduce the workload in our office: Payments can only be made AFTER

the Holiday Programme. More information about this can be found in the letter.

Parent Rep Meeting Minutes

Please find attached the [meeting minutes](#) of our last parent rep meeting. Our next meeting will be on the 27th January. During the meeting, parent reps have been brainstorming about how our community can support each other to buffer the stress to support students, families and staff after looking at a [presentation](#) regarding the impacts of recent world events. Let us know any additional thoughts you may have!

EY Winter Show - Wednesday, 7th December, 16:00-17:00

All children will be performing on stage during our Early Years Winter Show. Children will remain at school until the show commences at 16:00 and all parents are invited to attend. Parents must pick up their child/ren after the performance and will be invited to enjoy some snacks, drinks and a chat with the other parents straight after the show. Please carefully read the [winter show](#) letter including the exact times and details.

Advent Breakfast Invitation - Get Together for Parents 13.12.22 @ 08:00-10:00

Our KGL Parent Reps Verena Verhofen and Blanca Schäfer had the nice idea to organise a wintery get together for all Early Years families in our cafeteria. Every parent brings a food item, coffee and tea are available from our MSF cafeteria. You can sign up by adding your name/s and food item that you would like to share to this [list](#). Remember that we would like to keep it nut-free.

From the EY and Primary Library

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collections. Thank you so much for your generosity - our readers will be delighted with these new titles.



Kindergarten Family Picnic - Please save the Date

To celebrate the end of our units of inquiry for Me, My Family and Friends, we are inviting all Kindergarten Butterflies, Frogs, Ladybirds & Turtles families to join us for a community picnic. Please save the date for Monday 12th December from 09:00-10:00. There will be more details via Managebac to follow soon!

Head Lice

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Important Links & Forms

- [Electronic form for planned student absences](#) (for absences of more than 2 days)
- [EY Parent and Student Handbook](#)
- Sign up [Form](#) Voluntary Spit Test & [Form](#) to upload for test results

Looking Ahead

12.12.22	Kindergarten Family Breakfast
13.12.22	Advent Breakfast for Parents
16.12.22	Winter Decorations - Parents & Student Event
19.-22.12.22	EY Winter Holiday Programme
22.12.22	EY closes @ 15:30
02.- 06.01.23	EY Winter Holiday Programme
13.01.22	Mindfulness Workshop for Parents
27.01.23	Parent Rep Meeting





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*For regular after school sports practises, see dates and times listed below



Message from Mr Wragg

Winter seems to be kicking in now with temperatures dropping and even some signs of snow in the air. As our students go outside for break times and lunch times, even in bad weather, it is critical that they are dressed properly with warm shoes, hats, gloves and coats. We still have students telling us that they do not have a coat.

I would like to thank all the parents, students and teachers who attended parent meetings and student led conferences this week. They have been a real success and it has been wonderful to see so many parents in the school building.

Winter brings a number of celebrations and shows, so look out for information on these. As I mentioned in the last bulletin, I am running a special assembly on 16th Dec at 11:20, sharing information about the different cultural and religious celebrations taking place in winter. ***I am still looking for guest speakers to come and join in the assembly***, sharing how you celebrate at this time of year. If you are interested in coming yourself, or coming as a small group, [please let me know as soon as possible via email](#). Finally, next week we enter the second quarter for clubs, which means some clubs finish and some begin. Please check your child's previous sign up for information.

German Warning Day (Warntag)

On Thursday, 8th December sirens and alarms will be set off as part of a nationwide drill across Germany. Please see more information [here](#).

Winter Shows - Change of dates

Please note that we have had to change the dates of the winter shows. Please find a letter from Ms Sibbitt [here](#). The finalised dates can be found below:

6th December grade 3&4 at 18:00

8th December grade 1&2 at 18:00

14th December Grade 5 at 18:00

To sign up for After School Care please complete this [form](#) by 2nd December.

St Nikolaus 6th December

St Nikolaus will visit Primary on Tuesday, 6th December. Please [click here](#) for information about this tradition.



Parent Rep Meeting

Our next meeting will take place on Wednesday, 30th November at 08:30 in the library. Ms Vernon will explain how she works as both a teacher and librarian, how we choose new books and keep the library up to date. Our Parent Rep meetings are always open to any other parents who are interested in the content of the meeting.

Tutoring

If you are looking for a tutor for your child please complete this [form](#). Please note that tutors are subject to availability, it is not guaranteed that we will be able to find someone to assist your child

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Online Safety

As part of our new ICT curriculum, we have recently been talking to our students about digital citizenship. This includes making good choices with your use of games, how to communicate safely and kindly online and what to do if you encounter anything that makes you feel uncomfortable. We will offer a Parent workshop on this in the new year, but in the meantime we would like to urge all parents to keep a close eye on how your child is engaging with others online and what they have access to. We would like to direct your attention to three areas in particular.

1) The age rating for games, tv shows and movies: Age ratings are given for very good reasons, generally because the content can not be properly understood or processed by a younger audience which can lead to feelings of fear or confusion. A popular game at the moment is 'Fly or Die'. We have heard a number of our students talking about this and it is rated 16 years, so they should not be playing it.

2) Privacy chat settings for online games: Many of the games children play involve the ability to interact with other players online. Usually these games offer different levels of privacy ranging from no chat allowed, to chat only with friends to, the most dangerous, chat with anyone online. Please check that your children have reduced the chat privacy to only their friends (and these should be people they know in the real world) and do not have it open to anyone online.

3) Whatsapp and other chat apps: Some of our students are using these methods to communicate with family and friends online. As most of these chat apps are rated for 13 years or older, parents are directly responsible for their child's participation on these chats. If you do allow your child to use these chats, please keep a close eye on the conversations taking place.

Linked [here](#) is a great website, from the UK, with excellent advice for keeping children safe online, covering a number of different topics.

Message from Ms Antcliff

As we are approaching the wet winter months, please remember to have sports shoes for PE lessons and after school clubs. Please also try to either send your child to school in clothing which allows for free movement, or bring extra clothes, as all students have the option of changing in and out of sports clothing before & after lessons

Athletics

The new round of After School Clubs begins the week of 28th November. All athletics Clubs will be held in the Sports Hall.

Monday - Judo

Tuesday - Tennis (Gr 1&2)

Wednesday - Cheerleading (Gr 3-5)

Thursday - Basketball (Gr 3-5)

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Managebac

Please [click here](#) for some tips on how to use Managebac.

Request for student leave of absence:

Please be sure to write a comment in ManageBac if your child is sick, late or unable to attend school. Spot checks and fines do take place at Frankfurt airport for unapproved student leave. Please ensure you submit any [requests for leave](#) to Mr Wragg, and note that most school-time requests for leave are unapproved.

Looking Ahead:

21-25.11.22	G1-G3 Parent - Teacher Conferences
21-25.11.22	G4 & G5 Student Led Conferences
30.11.22	Spectrum
30.11.22	Parent Rep Meeting
06.12.22	G3 & G4 Winter Show
06.12.22	St Nikolaus
08.12.22	G1 & G2 Winter Show
08.12.22	National Warning Day (Siren test at 11:00)
14.12.22	G5 Winter Show
14.12.22	G1 Street Safety Training
16.12.22	MSF Closes at 13:00 for Winter Break (no ASC)
09.01.23	MSF Reopens
17.02.22	Reports Issued





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05 Dec	06 Dec	07 Dec	08 Dec	09 Dec
● EE Viva Voce	● EE Viva Voce	● 8:30 SEC Parent Rep Meeting	● G9 Pro Familia Workshop on campus ● MSF Bulletin	

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Message from Dr. Coppes

Thank you to all parents who were able to attend our fall Parent/Teacher Conferences on Wednesday.

From what I could gather, the conferences were very well attended and our teachers were busy sharing all of the amazing accounts of student engagement and achievement that we've seen thus far this year.

Next week on November 30th, after nearly three years of restrictions and limitations due to Covid, we have a return to celebrating our performing arts on stage for our wider community with Spectrum. Please join us for an exciting display of talent, hard work, and dedication from our students with a number of drama and musical performances. We hope to see you there!

From the IB Corner

- **How to build trust with your teenager (or your parents):** So how do you begin building a trusting relationship in a family? And what do you do when trust is broken, and you need to regain trust between a parent and a teenager? [Here](#) are some tips for building trust that parents and teens can use to create supportive relationships: Trust and Love
- **The final copy of the 2023 May IB exam** is out: [Official IB exam calendar for May 2023](#)
- **Important deadlines for Grade 12 students:** [The calendar](#)



- **ATLs at MSF:** Precious tips to be successful in the IB – you can find Lanterna's free resources page [here](#)
 - Chiara's wonderful tips and presentations: [G10](#) — [G11](#) — [G12](#)
- **Save the date: IB Information Evening** for the Grade 9 and 10 families will take place on Thursday, 26th January 2023 at 16:00.

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English Reading Suggestions

The Secondary English teachers and Ms Foust, our librarian, have been working together on a [suggested reading list per grade level](#). With the exception of a few books that we're waiting to arrive, we have all these books in our school library. Happy reading! (* Mostly compiled from YALSA 2021 best books for young adults and award winners from established young adult literary prizes. Descriptions are from publishers/Follett catalogue.)

Movember

This month, secondary staff and students have been busy raising money for Movember and raising awareness about the importance of **physical activity**.

How can you get involved?

- 1) **Stay active**
- 2) **Donate**



Mr. Eikelboom will bike **1.0 km** during the month of December for **every euro** donated towards his goal during the week of Nov 21 - Nov 25.

- Donate to [Mr. Eikelboom](#) Goal: 750€
- Donate to [The team](#) Goal: 2000€

G10 Pro Familia Workshop on 1st December

Grade 10 will attend a workshop provided by Pro Familia on **Thursday, 1st December on MSF campus**. Pro Familia is the leading non-governmental service and consumer organisation for sexual and reproductive health and rights in Germany. Pro Familia's counselling services focus on contraception, pregnancy, infertility, sexuality and relationships, abortion, sexualised violence and women's and men's health issues. The G9 students will participate in age-appropriate sexual education workshops on this day.

Parent Rep Meeting

Please click [here](#) to view the minutes from the last Secondary Parent Rep Meeting on 2nd November. The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, 7th December. Please let your class parent representative know if there are any issues which you would like to be discussed.

Secondary Sports

The Secondary School Winter sport season will run from the week beginning Monday January 16th until the week ending Friday 31st March 2023.

Sports and teams available for students to join from Grade 6 to Grade 12 include:

- *Grade 6 - 8 Girls Basketball*
- *Grade 6 - 8 Boys Basketball*
- *Grade 9 - 12 Girls Basketball*
- *Grade 9 - 12 Boys Basketball*
- *Grade 6 - 12 Cricket*
- *Grade 6 - 12 Cheerleading*

[Online Registrations](#) close on Friday 9th December.

GO FOXES!

Looking Ahead

30.11.22 SEC Assembly
30.11.22 SEC Concert - Spectrum
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08.12.22 G9 Pro Familia workshop
15.12.22 SEC Winter Dance
16.12.22 MSF closes at 13:00
19.12.22-06.01.23 Winter Break
09.-13.01.23 G10&12 Language Oral Mocks
16-27.01.23 G10 Mock Exams
18.01.2023 SEC Assembly
23-27.01.23 G7-9, 11 Sem I Exams
26.01.23 16:00-18:00 IB Info Evening @ Commons
27.01.23 Last day of Sem I
08.02.23 SEC Parent Rep Meeting
15.02.23 SEC Joint Assembly
17.02.23 Sem I Reports Published





School Website: www.m-school.de

Login for the Parent Zone (password: inspiration20)

Parent & Student Handbook: Our 2022-2023 handbook can be read [here](#).

MSF School Calendar (Public) and MSF Google School Event Calendar: Our school calendar for a convenient overview as well as our detailed event calendar, showing activities and special events can be found on our [website](#).

ManageBac: [Attendance System](#) and [Messages to Parents](#)

School Forms: <https://m-school.de/community/parent-zone/msf-forms-handbook/>

Quarantine rules Hesse: <https://www.hessen.de/Handeln/Corona-in-Hessen/Quarantaene>