

MSF Bulletin: 27th March 2025



Whole School Announcements

General Information

Spring Forward

A reminder that this weekend the clocks change. Daylight saving time is observed from the last Sunday in March (02:00 CET) to the last Sunday in October (03:00 CEST). So on Monday morning, what was 7.30am will now be 8.30am, so don't be late for school!

Safety Update: Parent IDs

Please note, that following the Spring break, from 22nd April, all parents must display their parent IDs whilst on campus or sign in with a photo ID. This includes morning drop-off, pick-up, and cafeteria visits. Please inform family members who pick up your child that they will be required to sign in with their photo ID if they are picking up your child. You can order your parent ID [here](#).

MSF Advertising Pillars

We kindly ask parents not to hang up any posters without informing the main office beforehand. Each notice has to be approved and stamped with a date. Thank you for your cooperation.

Drop-off Traffic Reminders: Important

We kindly remind parents to follow the general road traffic rules when dropping your child off in the morning. MSF has suggested alternative routes in order to ease the morning traffic along Eschborner Landstrasse, however parents are still responsible for following the general rules of the road. Please be mindful of:

- Stopping in the middle of the road and letting your child out roadside,
- Not blocking our neighbours driveways,
- Doing dangerous and illegal u-turns in the middle of the street, and
- Stopping in a no-stopping zone.

Nurse Symons informs:

[Tick information letter](#)

Support Project Nesran: Clothes Donation & Style Swap

Deadline today, 28th March

Style Swap, 2nd April, Wednesday to 4th April, Friday

Updates on our Instagram @sdg12_msf.

Find more information on Style Swap [here](#).

Grade 7-8 Career Fair

2nd April, Wednesday, 8:30-10:00

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MSF Academy: Energy Management, the Ancient Art of Qigong

25th April, Friday, 16:30-17:30

As a part of the MSF Academy wellbeing workshop series, we invite you to discover the energy management techniques of Qigong in the masterclass designed for parents. Our very own certified Qigong Instructor Dr Tatyana Bogushevitch will help you learn to reduce stress and boost energy through understanding the principles of qigong, as well as controlling your attention and gentle movements. No experience needed—just bring your curiosity and your friend(s) if you wish!

To register, please [fill out this form](#).

Save the date: International Day 2025

20th September, Saturday, 11:00-15:00

Due to building works, this year's highly anticipated International Day will be held in the coming autumn. We will be hosting tours of the new building on this day, and we look forward to welcoming the community to campus for this highlight of the year.



[School Event Calendar](#) - please check it regularly for details about announced events and dates.

Message from Ms Henkel & Ms Orgler

In April, we are proud to shine a light on Autism Awareness Day, with a series of events that embrace our community's commitment to inclusion and understanding. We will kick off the week with informational sessions for staff and parents, and age-appropriate activities for children across the Early Years and Primary School.

In response to feedback from our recent DEIJ survey, and recognising the importance of creating spaces where every child feels seen and valued, Ms Maike and our SOS Team will lead engaging, inclusive activities for all children during the month of April. We are also pleased to welcome KESS, an external Early Intervention Centre, for a visit on Thursday, 4th April to further deepen our awareness and understanding, and access to support systems - please register below.

To continue the conversation beyond April, Ms Maike will offer her highly appreciated Neurodiversity Workshop once more as an evening Zoom session in mid-May. Parents, Secondary students, and community members with expertise or lived experience are warmly invited to reach out to [Ms Maike](#) if they would like to share their expertise.

This focus on neurodiversity directly supports Children's Right to Non-Discrimination (UNCRC Article 2) and the Right to be Heard and Taken Seriously (UNCRC Article 12). By fostering empathy, curiosity, and respect, we are creating a school environment where all children can thrive as their authentic selves. Let's celebrate the beauty of diversity in every form — together.

EY Parent Rep Meeting dated 26th March

[Meeting minutes](#)

Registration Deadline: Spring Holiday Programme

Today, 28th March

If you would like to register your child/ren for the upcoming Spring Holiday Programme, please use the links below to register and carefully read the registration [letter](#).

[KGB](#) [KGF](#) [KGL](#) [KGT](#)
[TRB](#) [TRD](#) [TRF](#)

Next Early Years Team Meetings - Early Closure @ 15:30

31st March, 28th April & 26th May, Mondays; all dates in the:

[Parent Event Overview 2024/2025](#)

Updated: [late pick up fee schedule](#)

Please email [Markus Heinz](#) from Train with Brain if you wish to attend their external ASC service.

[Info Flyer](#)

MSF Academy: Early Intervention Centre KESS @ MSF

4th April, Friday, 8:45

Don't miss this unique opportunity to meet the expert team from KESS right here at MSF!

KESS offers expert support for families through early diagnostics, educational and speech therapy, and tailored developmental guidance. Working closely with families and childcare centers, they help children grow confidently and reach their full potential.

Register [here](#)

More info: [KESS](#)

Registration open: Swimming Course by Train with Brain

23rd April, 28th April, 5th May, 7th May & 12th May, 15:00 - 17:00, Swimming Pool @ Possmann's

Five session crash course with the goal to achieve the "Seepferdchen" (Beginner's badge) or Bronze badge.

[Info Flyer](#)

Registration [contact](#)



Primary School

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Message from Mr Wragg

At the end of next week we finish school for our Spring break. At the end of our Spring break there is the 'Easter' weekend and then into May there are a number of short holidays, predominantly linked to celebrations of the Christian faith. These holidays are significant in Germany as around 50% of people living in Germany identify as Christian. However, Germany and our school are places that welcome and celebrate diversity and I would like to take this opportunity to also recognise some of the other celebrations that are also taking place at this time of year. Many of our Muslim community have been fasting since the start of March through 'Ramadan' and will end this with the celebration of 'Eid al-Fitr' next week. Our Hindu community celebrated 'Holi' last week and our Grade 2 happily joined in by throwing colour powder in the playground. Our Jewish community, during the break, will celebrate 'Passover', usually starting with a special meal with their families. At the start of May, our Buddhist community will celebrate the birth of Buddha. There are many other celebrations and festivals at this time of year, both for reasons of faith and to acknowledge and welcome Spring. I would like to wish all our community members, whatever they are celebrating, a very happy and healthy Spring break and we look forward to welcoming everyone back to the sunny months, leading to Summer.

Parent Conferences

This week we held parent-teacher-student meetings and student-led conferences and next week parent meetings will take place with the German teachers. Please check your email for appointment times.

Parent Reps Meeting

Thank you to all parent reps who attended the Reps meeting, here are the [minutes](#).

MSF Academy: Informative Session on Behaviour Management and Support

2nd April, Wednesday, 08:30, Cafeteria

We are excited to announce there will be an informative morning focused on neurodiversity, inclusion, and benefits of behavior analysis and strategies for addressing maladaptive behavior. The Learning Support Team will begin with a brief overview of contemporary behavior analytic theories, followed by an interactive Q&A session where parents will have the opportunity to ask questions, and we'll do our best to provide constructive answers. We look forward to seeing you there.

Easter Break Camps on Campus

By Outdoorkids:

07.-11.04. from 09:00 to 16:00 Sports Camp [Register here](#) & Parkour Camp [Register here](#)

14.-17.04. from 09:00 to 16:00 Football Camp [Register here](#) & Girls Do Sports Camp [Register here](#)

By Train with Brain:

07.-11.04. from 09:00 to 16:00 [Professional Soccer Camp](#)

14.-17.04. from 09:00 to 16:00 [Sports Camp](#)

By Stagecoach

14.-16.04. from 10:00 to 16:00 [Time to Shine Dance Workshop](#)

Mandarin Language Camp by Schön-Center for Chinese Language & Culture

07.-11.04. from 09:00 to 16:00 "Experience China" [Register here](#)

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MSF Academy: Middle School Matters Parent Workshops (G4 and above parents welcome to attend)

22nd May: Workshop 3 - Learning

26th June: Workshop 4 - Empowerment and Resilience

Topics covered: see [overview](#)

Head Lice & Fevers

We seem to be facing a growth in head lice cases in the school at the moment. Please check your children regularly for lice, and inform us if you find them. If you do find head lice you must use a medicated treatment/shampoo, before sending your child back to school. We would like to remind everyone that any child with a fever is not allowed to come to school. Even if medicine can reduce the fever, there is still an underlying illness that can easily be passed on. There is a lot of flu and colds going around at this time of year and we really need to try to keep everyone healthy.

Outdoor Play

Please make sure your child has a rainproof jacket as students will play outside unless the rain is very heavy.

Tutoring

Please contact the teacher directly if you need additional support for your child.

Important Links and Forms

[Parent and Student Handbook](#)

[Primary Students Leave of Absence form](#)

[Field Trip Permission Slip](#)



Secondary School

[School Event Calendar](#) - please check it regularly for details about announced events and dates.

Whole Secondary School

Survey on DEIJ Initiatives

A heartfelt thank you to all the parents who completed our March survey on Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Justice (DEIJ)! We are delighted to share that 97% of respondents expressed positive feelings about inclusion, respect for cultural differences, and the fair treatment of students at MSF. Your feedback and partnership are deeply appreciated.

That said, many of you also expressed interest in going deeper—specifically in learning more about neurodiversity, understanding the concept of privilege and microaggressions, and engaging with complex global issues as a school community. We hear you. In response, and as part of our new MSF Academy initiative, we are excited to bring in external experts for a series of community workshops. These will directly address the key themes raised in the survey and help us continue growing together as an informed, inclusive, and courageous learning community.

Additionally, under the leadership of Mr. Ferres and Dr. Häfner, we have recently launched the MSF Democracy Project—a timely initiative designed to help our students critically engage with democratic values and global developments in an age when liberal ideals are increasingly under threat.

More details on both initiatives will be shared soon. Thank you again for being such an engaged and thoughtful community.

SEC PE Shirts

[Click here for more information](#)

Spring Sports Season Registration: Message from the Secondary Athletic Director Mr Kerr

Today, 28th March

The Winter Sports Season ends.

Registration for the Spring Sports Season is now open. [Click HERE!](#)

Support Project Nesran: Clothes Donation & Style Swap

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Me to We Club Bake Sale for Women's Shelter

3rd April, Thursday 15:30-16:30, Cafeteria

Maths Competitions 2024 - 2025

There are several maths competitions offered to MSF Secondary students throughout the year. Students do not need to be a part of the Competitive Math Club in order to participate in a maths competition.

[Schedule](#)

Secondary Parent-Teacher Conferences

25th April, Friday, 08:30-16:00

Further information will be posted soon.

Middle School (Grade 6 - 8)

Grade 7-8 Career Fair

2nd April, Wednesday, 8:30-10:00

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G6 - G8 Parent Rep Q&A Session with Katell Dodd

3rd April, Thursday, 8:30 – 9:15, room H03.14

Please submit any questions to your respective Parent Class Representatives.

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Cambridge Checkpoint Exams

22nd - 24th April, Tuesday-Thursday

For details of exam days please refer to the [schedule](#). As the testing period set by Cambridge falls over our April break there will be no retake opportunity should a student be absent.

MSF Academy: Middle School Matters Parent Workshops

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Message from the ALN Coordinator Ms Eleni Armaou

Parenting practices around the world share three major goals: ensuring children's health and safety, preparing children for life as productive adults, and transmitting cultural values. A high-quality parent-child relationship is critical for healthy development. Researchers have described different human parenting styles—ways in which parents interact with their children—with most classifications varying on the dimensions of emotional warmth and control.

Adapted from: [Encyclopedia of Psychology](#) & [APA Dictionary of Psychology](#)

[Source](#)

High School (Grade 9 - 12)

Current G10 (next year's G11s) CAS Trip to Copenhagen

[Click HERE for the Parent Letter](#)

[Click HERE for the Registration Form](#)

G12 and G10 Lunches

As of 1st April, Tuesday

Grade 10 and 12 students are no longer registered for lunch. Students are requested to either bring a home lunch or purchase lunch tickets from the front office for the days they are at school during exams.

G9 - G11 Parent Rep Q&A Session with Katell Dodd

4th April, Friday, 8:30 – 9:15, room H02.22

Please submit any questions to your respective Parent Class Representatives.

G12 Last Day of School and G10 Last Day of School until IB Bootcamp

4th April, Friday

IGCSE Final exams and IB Final exams 2025

25th April till 4th June

Final IGCSE Exam schedule available on Managebac by the end of next week

IB Finals 28th April - 21st May

Final IB Exam Schedule available on Managebac by the end of next week

G10 Work Experience 2024/2025

9th - 20th June

For information please see:

[English confirmation](#)

[German confirmation](#)

[Work experience questionnaire](#)

Information on Studying in Germany

The IB Diploma offers the opportunity to continue the academic career in Germany. Enclosed you will find a range of information on recognition, study programmes in English, gap year and scholarships:

[IB Diploma Recognition](#) [Study Programs in Germany](#)

[Gap Year in Germany](#) [Gap Year FAQ](#) [Scholarship Opportunities](#)

Useful Links

[Uni Guidance](#)

[Guide for IB Acknowledgment](#)

[IB late work guidelines](#)

[Academic Integrity for IA](#)



General Information

Regarding MSF

- **School Website:** www.m-school.de
- **Login for the Parent Zone** (password: *community25*)
- **School Calendar 2024-2026:** the school calendar is available on our [website](#).
- **Managebac Guide:** for some tips on how to use Managebac please [click here](#).
- **Toddle Guide:** [Family walkthrough on web](#), [Family app walkthrough](#), [Attendance on the app for families](#), [Attendance on the web for families](#)
- **Parent & Student Handbook:** [General Handbook](#) / [EY Handbook](#) / [PRI Handbook](#) / [SEC Handbook](#)
- **School Forms:** <https://m-school.de/community/parent-zone/msf-forms-handbook/>
- **Update your contacts:** If you have changed any of your contact details (email / mobile number/home address/employer etc.), please let us know so that all our databases can be accurately updated. <https://forms.gle/9tbGt988KT8wNnq7>
- **Personal Parent ID Card:** [More information and ID card registration here](#)

Other information

Information from the nurse

We can all help control the spread of infectious diseases through early recognition and action. A sick student could contaminate staff and students, and this is particularly dangerous for our immuno-compromised and pregnant community members. Therefore, it is the parents responsibility to keep a sick child or a child who appears to become sick at home. Please report all cases of infectious diseases directly to our school office, as this will help us to monitor conditions and prevent the spread of illnesses. Any student suspected of having an infectious disease must be seen by a doctor, as only the doctor can properly diagnose illnesses. A list of the most common notifiable diseases and more information about them can be found [here](#).

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**

Please remember, your child should be symptom free for 24 hours before returning to school after illness. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Infectious Diseases: Please see this useful [website](#) about infectious diseases. You can download the information in other languages as well.

Notification of Head Lice: Please find detailed information from our nurse about the right treatment [here](#).

Tick information: With the beginning of spring, ticks become active. Please find detailed information [here](#).

Trained Babysitters

A number of students from G9-G12 are officially trained in babysitting first aid from Erste Hilfe. Contact [Mrs Francis](#) or the [babysitting club](#) for a babysitter.

Taxi Bus: new offers following survey feedback

Thank you for your feedback on the taxi bus service in the parent survey. We are pleased to introduce 2 additional companies that could offer shuttle services to MSF for you.

1. [SC Reisen](#). door to door service in 4 Zones please find [here](#) further information and a [form to express your interest](#).
2. DtoD Fahrdienst (Korean community travel firm), please contact [Mr Yang](#) if interested in this service
3. Taxibus Reich Hamburger also offers a door to door service. Please contact them [here](#).

Car Pooling: If you are interested in car pooling, you can connect with each other via an interactive map. Add your location, if interested. This is to avoid the data protection restrictions. Please have a look at [this guide](#).