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# **Dear School Community,**

Right after Craft Day and shortly before the Christmas holidays, I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to classes 1 to 6 and the elective course WPU 7 "Paper is Patient": you have decorated our school so beautifully for winter that we are now ready for snow! In addition, I would like to share some important information with you.

#### **Everyday Vandalism in Our School**

Unfortunately, I must begin this letter with a concerning message:

We continue to notice deliberate damage occurring in our school. In recent months, door locks in the student bathrooms have repeatedly been broken, sinks, soap dispensers, and urinals have been torn from the walls, student computers have been damaged, paint has been scraped from the walls, and tables, chairs, and cabinets in various classrooms have been so badly damaged that they had to be replaced. This senseless destruction of communal property causes unnecessary costs of around €10,000 each year. This is especially frustrating because this money is urgently needed for other things that would benefit the entire student body.

Therefore, we kindly ask for your support: please talk to your children about the value of shared property and the consequences of vandalism. If you or your children have any information about the individuals responsible, please contact us confidentially. Only together can we prevent further waste of resources that should benefit everyone. Mindless destruction harms us all - let us take responsibility together!

# **Lantern Walk**

On November 20, our primary school once again held the popular lantern festival. Thanks to the dedication of the primary school team and many parents who contributed a variety of delicious sweet and savory dishes, we were able to enjoy a wonderful evening together. We are especially pleased that the sale of food donations raised a total of €450! As in previous years, this amount will be donated to the "Sternsinger." This year, we are supporting the project "School instead of Factory" in Bangladesh. A heartfelt thank-you to everyone who helped make this event a success!

#### Elf Hut at the Pinneberg Christmas Market

On December 8, our students will be offering handmade gifts for sale at the Elf Hut on the Pinneberg Christmas Market. With great creativity and dedication, the children have created wonderful items that will surely delight many visitors. The proceeds from these sales will go directly to the class funds of the participating groups. Many thanks to everyone whose support has made this lovely project possible.

# **Apple Break and Bread Roll Sales**

For just over a year, our school has been offering the "Apple Break" – an important program, especially because not all children and teenagers bring a healthy breakfast with them. Thanks to a generous private donation, we can now provide our students with half of the apples we need. We would like to continue this project fully, but we rely on further financial support from you. If you would like to be part of this project, we welcome your donation or your contact via our school office at 04101-79940.

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We are also urgently looking for volunteers from the school community to help with the bread roll sales! Anyone who has time once a week from 7:30 to 9:15 a.m. to prepare freshly baked rolls with healthy toppings and sell them during the breakfast break is warmly welcome. We are also especially grateful for volunteers who can step in when needed.

# **Important Dates and Holiday Information:**

Thursday, 18 December 2025: Lessons end after the 4th period at 11:05 a.m. Starting at 11:20

a.m., we will offer "Open Singing" for the entire school community in the assembly hall. Afterwards, we begin the Christmas holidays.

Wednesday, 7 January 2026: Lessons resume according to the current timetable. Please

ensure your child arrives on time and brings all necessary school

materials.

Friday, 30 January 2026: Report card day (lessons according to schedule).

Monday, 2 February 2026: Movable holiday (no classes).

Wednesday, 4 February, and Thursday, 5 February 2026: Student development conferences in

the morning or afternoon (no classes; appointments by

arrangement).

<u>Thursday, 26 February, and Friday, 27 February 2026:</u> Project days on "School without Racism –

School with Courage."

For grade 10, project days will take place after the exams.

Thank you very much for your support in 2025! Special thanks to the parent council, the school association, the "bread roll parents," the translators, and the reading mentors. Your commitment greatly benefits our school.

Through interim reports and development conferences, we have been able to improve our collaboration with families.

We wish you and your families a Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year, and relaxing holidays!

Kind regards

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