

## SCHOOL REPORT

Teaching and education facilities are carried out in a disciplined manner. The students are respectful towards their teachers. Cheating in the exams wasn't observed. There is a quality in the exams and presentation in the lessons. Teachers are coming to lessons well prepared and they try to teach new things in every lesson. One of the good results of this effort is that students can speak several foreign languages.

The atmosphere in the teachers' room is friendly and balanced. The teachers' room has been prepared in accordance with the teachers' needs. A fridge, a washing machine, a wash basin, a coffee machine, and a TV on which the program of the day is on.

It is a very good practice to change the Daily schedule when a teacher doesn't come to school. So the education goes on without a malfunction. One lesson is 50 minutes and it lets the teacher to make a progress in the topic being taught in every lesson. The school is off on the Wednesday afternoons and it gives the teachers and students enough time to make their preparations for the lessons and to spend time for themselves. It also lightens the workload of the week.

Since the day it was built, the school has grown and new buildings have been added reaching its maximum capacity. The school yard includes a stylish rain proof structure.

Students come together in the yard and classes are kept closed. This prevents some possible problems which may be caused by students. Attendance is taken in the morning and the families are informed about their students' absence. This strengthens the family-school interaction and the trust.

Apart from the teachers' room, there is a study close to the teachers' room. So teachers can prepare for the lesson.

The Project, Strip to Identity, is going on very well. There is a Project team working hard. The team knows what to do in every step. The tasks are shared, and every partner is following the same steps so the progress is succeeded altogether. Short and long term motilities increase the efficiency and develops a team spirit. It is important to stress that, Dirk Staf's personal effort makes the Project run efficiently.

There are also some problems too,

- Students smoke. They finish their cigarettes in front of the school then enter the school. So the problem isn't solved. The message given to the students is that, you can smoke but you can't smoke in the school. We must make he students give up smoking.
- The school building needs some changes. The teachers' room, photocopy room and the study should be close to each other.
- The use of course books depends on the teachers. Some teachers use the course books more than the others. Some teachers rely on presentations and worksheets. I believe that, teaching a lesson should be based on the course book and be supported by supplementary resources and presentations. Presentations and worksheet having more importance than the course books don't seem to be a good approach to teaching a lesson. If the course books don't satisfy the need, it is a better idea to develop the book with new contributions. For example, the geography book should also have an electronic form and the electronic form should include presentations, videos, graphs and lots of pictures. Similar changes should be done in the other course books too.
- The school yard should be redesigned in accordance with students' wishes. So students can spend more time at school. The school should include places where students spend their time safe and enjoyable.

- There are students from abroad. These students have several disadvantages.
  - Most of them come from families with lower income so they had to work part time, and this decreases the school success. Successful students should be given a scholarship to minimize the negative effects.
  - Not knowing Flemish slows down the learning.
  - Their adaptation to a new culture takes a long time.

To resolve these negative points will contribute a lot to the school success and public opinion about the school. As I don't know the public much I cannot make more offers about improving public opinion. But there should be more focus on the shared values by school and the public. Increasing the number of shared values will help the school improve the public opinion too.

Finally, I want to thank you, staff and the students, for your sincere, intimate and lovely approach towards me.

With warmest regards

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