

SCHOOL  
CALENDAR

2026  
2027



## De Blauwe Lijn public elementary school

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### (Flexible) school vacations 2026-2027

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| Flexible Fall Vacation   | October 12-15, 2026                 |
| Christmas Vacation       | December 21, 2026 - January 1, 2027 |
| Flexible Spring Vacation | February 22-25, 2027                |
| Flexible May Vacation    | April 28-30, 2027                   |
| May Vacation             | May 3-7, 2027                       |
| Flexible Summer Vacation | July 12-15, 2027                    |
| Summer Vacation          | July 16 - August 20, 2027           |

### Study days and days off 2026-2027

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| Tuesday, August 25, 2026                     | Professional development day - orientation meetings; students have the day off |
| Wednesday, October 7, 2026                   | Study day; students have the whole day off                                     |
| Thursday, November 5, 2026                   | Study day; students have the whole day off                                     |
| Friday, December 4: St. Nicholas celebration | Study afternoon starting at 12:00 p.m. – everyone has the day off!*            |
| Friday, December 18, 2026                    | Study day; students have the whole day off                                     |
| Monday, January 18, 2027                     | Study day; students have the whole day off                                     |
| Friday, February 19, 2027                    | Study day; students have the whole day off                                     |
| Wednesday, March 3, 2027                     | Study day - report card conferences; students have the whole day off           |
| Friday, March 26, 2027                       | Good Friday, everyone has the day off                                          |
| Monday, March 29, 2027                       | Easter Monday, everyone has the day off                                        |
| Thursday, April 8, 2027                      | Professional Development Day; students have the whole day off                  |
| Thursday, May 6, 2027                        | Ascension Day, everyone has the day off                                        |
| Friday, May 14, 2027                         | Zonova professional development day; students have the whole day off           |
| Monday, May 17, 2027                         | Whit Monday, everyone has the day off                                          |
| Monday, June 14, 2027                        | Study day; students have the whole day off                                     |
| Wednesday, June 30, 2027                     | Study day - report card conferences; students have the whole day off           |
| Thursday, July 1, 2027                       | Ketikoti, everyone has the day off starting at 12:00 p.m.*                     |
| Friday, July 9, 2027                         | Professional development day; students have the whole day off                  |

**\*Please note!** Parents must arrange their own childcare starting at 12:00 p.m. The after-school care center opens at 2:00 p.m.

## Class assignments for 2026-2027 and other staff

| Class                                     | Teacher                                             | Phone No.    |
|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Blauwe Bij 1                              | Jennifer and Salma                                  | 020 569 6899 |
| Blauwe Bij 2                              | Melissa and Ela                                     | 020 569 6846 |
| After-School Care 1 / After-School Care 2 | Charissa, Marjorie Jane and Milan                   | 020 569 6831 |
| Group 1/2A                                | Mirjam                                              |              |
| Group 1/2B                                | Shirley                                             |              |
| Group 1/2C                                | Lea                                                 |              |
| Group 1/2D                                | Sinead                                              |              |
| Support for Lower Groups                  | Brisa and Rachel                                    |              |
| Group 3A                                  | Dewi                                                |              |
| Group 3B                                  | Marjolein and Romee                                 |              |
| Support for Group 3                       | Romee and Rachel                                    |              |
| Group 4A                                  | Asherinne                                           |              |
| Group 4B                                  | Roos                                                |              |
| Group 5A                                  | Louise and Indri                                    |              |
| Group 5B                                  | Karin and Desiree                                   |              |
| Support for Middle Groups                 | Josta                                               |              |
| Group 6A                                  | Sanneke                                             |              |
| Group 6B                                  | Marlene                                             |              |
| Group 7A                                  | Gamze and Isa                                       |              |
| Group 7B                                  | Janeska and Mirka                                   |              |
| Group 8A                                  | Sem                                                 |              |
| Group 8B                                  | Sanna                                               |              |
| Support for Upper Groups                  | Daniel                                              |              |
| Gym                                       | Robbin                                              |              |
| Head teacher                              | Fleur                                               | 020 690 7360 |
| Deputy head teacher                       | Mirka                                               | 020 690 7360 |
| MT                                        | Fleur, Mirka, Roos, Lea, Sara, Sem and the IB staff |              |
| Cultural Coordinator                      | Marc and Karin                                      | 020 690 7360 |

| Class                                               | Teacher                     | Phone No.     |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Language / Reading Coordinator and Math Coordinator | Roos and Marjolein          | 020 690 7360  |
| Reading Specialist                                  | Carolyn                     |               |
| IB Coordinator / Listening Teacher                  | Sharon, Marion and Sandra   |               |
| Office Manager and Transition Coordinator           | Sara                        | 020 690 7360  |
| Administrative Staff Member / Absence Coordinator   | Manisha                     | 020 690 7360  |
| Facilities                                          | Shrawan                     | 020 6907360   |
| Doelab                                              | Daniel and Sanna            |               |
| Parent-Child Counselor                              | Sarah Larbi and Dave Mulder | 06 316 73 638 |
| Dental checkups twice a year                        | Dr. Chelsea Tan             | 020 616 6332  |
| Speech Therapist                                    | Marije van den Bosch        |               |
| Physical Therapist                                  | Milan Geertsma              |               |
| Kentalis                                            | Mounia Jabroun              |               |
| Play Therapist                                      | Lorraine Bar                |               |
| Occupational Therapist                              | Lizz Keesmaat               |               |
| Youth Worker                                        | Jamina Boakye               |               |
| Dyslexia Specialist                                 | Tess Enkelaar               |               |
| Community support team employee                     | Rowina Ghazi                |               |
| Brede School Coordinator                            | Manisha and Robbin          | 020 690 7360  |





# AUGUST 2026



| MON                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | TUE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | WED                                     | THU                                     | FRI                                                                                                                                                    | SAT/SUN                                   |
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| <div>week 31</div>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                         |                                         |                                                                                                                                                        | <div>1/2</div> <div>Summer Vacation</div> |
| <div>3</div> <div>Summer Vacation</div> <div>week 32</div>                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <div>4</div> <div>Summer Vacation</div>                                                                                                                                                                                               | <div>5</div> <div>Summer Vacation</div> | <div>6</div> <div>Summer Vacation</div> | <div>7</div> <div>Summer Vacation</div>                                                                                                                | <div>8/9</div> <div>Summer Vacation</div> |
| <div>10</div> <div>Team Kickoff Week</div> <div>week 33</div>                                                                                                                                                                                              | <div>11</div> <div>Sign-ups for introductory meetings via Kwieb</div>                                                                                                                                                                 | <div>12</div>                           | <div>13</div>                           | <div>14</div> <div>First Newslines via Kwieb</div>                                                                                                     | <div>15/16</div>                          |
| <div>17</div> <div>First day of school!<br/>8:25 a.m.: Everyone in school<br/>Theme Blauwe Bij:<br/>Welkom Puk / Kijk mij eens<br/>Theme for Groups 1-2:<br/>Dit zijn wij: een kleutervolg!<br/>Group 3: Anker Start<br/>'Kom bij de Zoemclub' wk 34</div> | <div>18</div> <div>Group 4: All-in-1 'Waar is het?'<br/>Group 5-8: Alles-Apart:<br/>'Vakantie post'<br/>'Golden Weeks' group 1-8<br/>Community support team<br/>office hours 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.</div>                               | <div>19</div>                           | <div>20</div>                           | <div>21</div> <div>8:30–9:00 a.m. Meet &amp; Greet for parents in the classroom<br/>Information session for parents for the '26-'27 at 9:00 a.m.</div> | <div>22/23</div>                          |
| <div>24</div> <div>Group 3: Anker Start<br/>'Kom bij de Zoemclub'<br/>Groups 5-8: Alles-Apart<br/>'De advertentie'<br/>Kantjertraining: 'Golden Week's groups 1-8<br/>Groups 5-8: Students<br/>Council elections this week 35</div>                        | <div>25</div> <div><b>Study day:</b><br/><b>students have the day off</b><br/>Initial parent-teacher conferences<br/>Drop-in at the office for help with Kwieb<br/>Community support team<br/>office hours 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.</div> | <div>26</div>                           | <div>27</div>                           | <div>28</div> <div>Start swim lessons group 4, students will be back at school around 3:00 p.m.<br/>Newslines</div>                                    | <div>29/30</div>                          |



# SEPTEMBER 2026

| MON                                                                                                                                                                 | TUE                                                                                                                       | WED                                                                                                                                   | THU                                                        | FRI                                                                                                                      | SAT/SUN                                 |
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| <b>31 AUGUST</b><br>Group 3: Anker 1 'Help!'<br>Groups 5-8: Alles-in-1 AAAO<br>Kanjertraining: Groups 1-8 chapter 1<br>week 36                                      | <b>1</b><br>Community support team office hours<br>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.                                                   | <b>2</b><br>Information Fair at 1:30 p.m.                                                                                             | <b>3</b><br>Bridge Officer office hours 8:30–11:30 a.m.    | <b>4</b><br>Krishna Janmashtami (Hinduism)                                                                               | <b>5/6</b>                              |
| <b>7</b><br>Start Brede School activities block 1<br>Group 3: Anker 1 'Help!'<br>week 37                                                                            | <b>8</b><br>Birth of Mary (Christianity)<br>Community support team office hours<br>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.                   | <b>9</b>                                                                                                                              | <b>10</b><br>Start of Third Chamber classes for groups 7/8 | <b>11</b><br>Swim lessons for group 4, students return to school around 3:00 p.m.<br>Newsline<br>Rosh Hashanah (Judaism) | <b>12/13</b>                            |
| <b>14</b><br>Group 3: Anker 1 'Help!'<br>Kanjertraining: Groups 1-8 chapter 2<br>Ganesh Chaturthi (Hinduism)<br>week 38                                             | <b>15</b><br>Prinsjesdag<br>International Day of Democracy<br>Community support team office hours<br>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. | <b>16</b>                                                                                                                             | <b>17</b>                                                  | <b>18</b><br>Swim lessons for group 4, students return to school around 3:00 p.m.                                        | <b>19/20</b>                            |
| <b>21</b><br>Last week of 'Golden Weeks' Groups 1 through 8<br>Group 3: Anker 1 'Help!'<br>Yom Kippur (Judaism)<br>week 39                                          | <b>22</b><br>Community support team office hours<br>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.                                                  | <b>23</b><br>Parent meeting: explanation of the Dutch school system at 1:00 p.m.<br>Start of fall                                     | <b>24</b>                                                  | <b>25</b><br>Swim lessons for group 4, students return to school around 3:00 p.m.<br>Newsline                            | <b>26/27</b><br>Pitru Palsha (Hinduism) |
| <b>28</b><br>Option this week: Open class visits<br>Group 3: Anker 2 'Bewegen maar'<br>Kanjertraining: Groups 1-8 chapter 3<br>Raksha Bandhan (Hinduism)<br>week 40 | <b>29</b><br>Community support team office hours<br>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.                                                  | <b>30</b><br>KIKID Information Session for: I got your back<br>Start of Children's Book Week<br>'Meneer B' performance for Groups 1-3 |                                                            |                                                                                                                          |                                         |

## Gym schedule for the 2026-2027 school year: Students must bring their gym clothes on gym days

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|--------|---------|-----------|----------|--------|
| 12A    | 8A      | 12A       | 8A       | 5A     |
| 12B    | 8B      | 12B       | 8B       | 5B     |
| 12C    | 6A      | 12C       | 7A       | 6A     |
| 12D    | 6B      | 12D       | 7B       | 6B     |
| 3A     | 7A      | 3A        |          | MRT    |
| 3B     | 7B      | 3B        |          | MRT    |
| 5A     | MRT     | 4A        |          |        |
| 5B     | MRT     | 4B        |          |        |

## School swimming lessons for groups 4, 7 and 8

Starting August 28, 2026, through January 30, 2027, students in group 4 will have swimming lessons once a week. These lessons will take place at the Bijlmerbad.

The students will travel to the pool by bus, accompanied by their teachers. After the swimming lesson, the students will return to school by bus.

Swim lessons are mandatory. This school year, swim lessons are held on Friday afternoons. The bus departs at 1:15 p.m.; the swimming lesson runs from 1:45 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.; the bus leaves the pool at 2:45 p.m.; and the students return to school around 3:00 p.m.

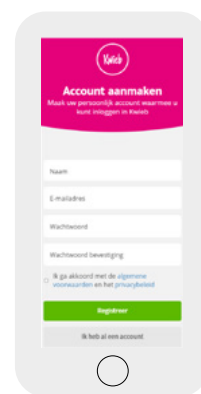
Students in groups 7 and 8 are once again eligible to participate in the "Keep Swimming" project. This school year, swimming lessons for group 7 will be held on Thursday afternoons from October 22, 2026, through December 3, 2026. The bus will be in front of the school at 1:00 p.m., and swimming lessons will begin at 1:30 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. The students will return to school by bus at 2:45 p.m. These lessons are mandatory. Swimming lessons for group 8 will also be held on Thursday afternoons from March 4 through April 15, 2027.

## After-school swimming

Students in groups 4-8 who do not have a swimming certificate or only have an A certificate can receive swimming lessons upon request through the municipality. Girls will need: a swimsuit, clean underwear, a towel, and, if desired, flip-flops. Boys will need: swim trunks (no boxer shorts), clean underwear, a towel, and, if desired, flip-flops. Please do not let your children bring valuable jewelry or money.



## We use Kwieb to communicate with our parents!



Kwieb is a free app that you can use on your smartphone, tablet, or computer. With this app, you can, among other things, report absences, view photo albums, sign up for parent-teacher conferences, participate in activities, like and comment on posts, send a message to the teacher via "Topics," and receive (emergency) notifications from our school. You can also set Kwieb to your own language so you can easily read and understand all the information.

From now on, Kwieb is the only communication channel we'll use for contact between parents and teachers. That's why it's essential that all parents download and activate the app. This way, you'll stay up to date on all important information and can communicate easily with the school and the teachers.

The purpose of using Kwieb is to optimize communication with you as a parent. The photos and messages are visible only to the parents/guardians for whom the content is intended. Your child's privacy is our top priority!

## What do you need to do?

The Kwieb app is very easy to use.

**Step 1:** Download the Kwieb app to your phone from the App Store (iPhone) or Google Play (Android).

IOS: <https://itunes.apple.com/nl/app/ziber-kwieb/id1317016199?mt=8>

ANDROID: [https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=eu.ziber.apps.kwieb&hl=en\\_US](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=eu.ziber.apps.kwieb&hl=en_US)

**Step 2:** Create an account in Kwieb (register) and activate it via email.

**Step 3:** Activate Kwieb using the unique code we'll send you by mail or email.



## Questions or comments?

For more information about this new, handy app, visit: [www.edu.ziber.nl/kwieb](http://www.edu.ziber.nl/kwieb) or <https://ziber.eu/en/start/>

## Do you have any questions about using the app?

Visit [www.support.ziber.nl](http://www.support.ziber.nl) or contact Sara or Manisha.

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# OCTOBER 2026

| MON                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | TUE                                                                                                                                                                                                          | WED                                                                      | THU                                                                                                                                  | FRI                                                                                                                                                                                                 | SAT/SUN                                                                                                           |
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| <p>week 40</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                          | <p>1</p> <p>Storytime for parents in connection with Children's Book Week</p> <p>Bridge Officer<br/>office hours 8:30–11:30 a.m.</p> | <p>2</p> <p>KIKID Information Session for group 8: Believe in Yourself</p> <p>Storytime Morning for parents in connection with Children's Book Week</p> <p>International Day of Nonviolence</p>     | <p>3/4</p> <p>Commemoration of the Bijlmer Disaster</p> <p>Animal Day</p>                                         |
| <p>5</p> <p>Group 3: Anker 2 'Bewegen maar'</p> <p>Option this week: open classroom visits</p> <p>Teachers' Day</p> <p>week 41</p>                                                                                                        | <p>6</p> <p>Community support team<br/>office hours<br/>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.</p>                                                                                                                             | <p>7</p> <p><b>Study day;<br/>students have the day off</b></p>          | <p>8</p> <p>Storytime for parents in connection with Children's Book Week</p>                                                        | <p>9</p> <p>Storytime Morning for parents in connection with Children's Book Week</p> <p>Swim lessons for group 4, students return to school around 3:00 p.m.</p> <p>Newsline<br/>Purple Friday</p> | <p>10/11</p> <p>Sustainability Day</p> <p>Last day of Children's Book Week</p> <p>Ashwina Navratri (Hinduism)</p> |
| <p>12</p> <p>Flexible Fall Vacation</p> <p>week 42</p>                                                                                                                                                                                    | <p>13</p> <p>Flexible Fall Vacation</p>                                                                                                                                                                      | <p>14</p> <p>Flexible Fall Vacation</p>                                  | <p>15</p> <p>Flexible Fall Vacation</p>                                                                                              | <p>16</p> <p>Fall Vacation,<br/>school closed!</p>                                                                                                                                                  | <p>17/18</p> <p>Fall Vacation</p>                                                                                 |
| <p>19</p> <p>Theme Blauwe Bij: Kom bij mij thuis / Samen feest vieren</p> <p>Theme for groups 1-2: Het huis van...</p> <p>Group 3: Anker 2 'Bewegen maar'</p> <p>Information session by Bureau Halt for groups 7 and 8</p> <p>week 43</p> | <p>20</p> <p>Group 4: Alles-in-1 'Jij en ik'</p> <p>Groups 5-8: Alles-apart 'Het recept'</p> <p>Kanjertraining: Groups 1-8 chapter 4</p> <p>Community support team<br/>office hours 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.</p> | <p>21</p> <p>AFS Focus Groups for parents at 10:00 a.m.</p>              | <p>22</p> <p>Swim lessons for group 7; students return to school around 2:45 p.m.</p>                                                | <p>23</p> <p>Swim lessons for group 4, students return to school around 3:00 p.m.</p> <p>Newsline<br/>1st Parent Panel; details to follow</p>                                                       | <p>24/25</p> <p>Daylight Saving Time</p>                                                                          |
| <p>26</p> <p>Group 3: Anker 2 'Bewegen maar'</p> <p>Groups 5-8: Alles-apart 'De test'</p> <p>week 44</p>                                                                                                                                  | <p>27</p> <p>Group 8: Crash Internship</p> <p>Community support team<br/>office hours<br/>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.</p>                                                                                           | <p>28</p> <p>Parent meeting on social media/screen time at 9:00 a.m.</p> | <p>29</p> <p>Swim lessons for group 7; students return to school around 2:45 p.m.</p>                                                | <p>30</p> <p>Swim lessons for group 4, students return to school around 3:00 p.m.</p>                                                                                                               | <p>31/1</p> <p>Halloween</p> <p>All Souls' Day (Roman Catholic)</p>                                               |



# NOVEMBER 2026



| MON                                                                                                                                         | TUE                                                                         | WED                                                        | THU                                                                                                                                                                                            | FRI                                                                                                                                  | SAT/SUN                                |
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| <b>2</b><br>Group 3: Anker 3<br>'De tijd van toen'<br>Groups 5-8: Alles-in-1 Voeding<br>Kanjertraining: Groups 1-8<br>chapter 5<br>week 45  | <b>3</b><br>Community support team<br>office hours<br>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.  | <b>4</b><br>Bridge Officer<br>office hours 8:30–11:30 a.m. | <b>5</b><br><b>Study day;</b><br><b>students have the day off</b>                                                                                                                              | <b>6</b><br>Swim lessons for group 4,<br>students return to school<br>around 3:00 p.m.<br>Newsline                                   | <b>7/8</b><br>Diwali                   |
| <b>9</b><br>Start of cito testing period,<br>B-tests for group 8<br>Week of Respect<br>Group 3: Anker 3<br>'De tijd van toen'<br>week 46    | <b>10</b><br>Community support team<br>office hours<br>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. | <b>11</b><br>St. Maarten                                   | <b>12</b><br>Start swim lessons for group 7,<br>students return to school<br>around 2:45 p.m.                                                                                                  | <b>13</b><br>Swim lessons for group 4,<br>students return to school<br>around 3:00 p.m.                                              | <b>14/15</b><br>Arrival of Sinterklaas |
| <b>16</b><br>Group 3: Anker 3<br>'De tijd van toen'<br>Kanjertraining: Groups 1-8<br>chapter 6<br>week 47                                   | <b>17</b><br>Community support team<br>office hours<br>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. | <b>18</b>                                                  | <b>19</b><br>Start swim lessons for group 7,<br>students return to school<br>around 2:45 p.m.<br>Parent meeting for elementary<br>and secondary school parents<br>of students in groups 7 en 8 | <b>20</b><br>Swim lessons for group 4,<br>students return to school<br>around 3:00 p.m.<br>Newsline                                  | <b>21/22</b>                           |
| <b>23</b><br>Group 3: Anker 3<br>'De tijd van toen'<br>week 48                                                                              | <b>24</b><br>Community support team<br>office hours<br>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. | <b>25</b>                                                  | <b>26</b><br>Start swim lessons for group 7,<br>students return to school<br>around 2:45 p.m.                                                                                                  | <b>27</b><br>End of cito testing period<br>for group 8<br>Swim lessons for group 4,<br>students return to school<br>around 3:00 p.m. | <b>28/29</b>                           |
| <b>30</b><br>Kanjertraining: Groups 1-8<br>chapter 7<br>Group 3: buffer week<br>Final week of Brede School<br>activities block 1<br>week 49 |                                                                             |                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                      |                                        |

## The Student Council

### Students in group 5 and above can run for the Student Council.

To do so, they must give a short presentation to the class and create an election poster. The class then votes for a student to represent them on the Student Council. The Student Council meets every 4 weeks, and the meetings are led by Mirka. Together, they discuss ways to improve the school, based on ideas submitted by other students. Starting in group 5, every classroom has a suggestion box, and this school year, a suggestion box for parents will also be opened.

### Two students from groups 7-8 serve as secretary and chairperson.

### Feedback

In their respective classes, the members provide feedback on what was discussed in the Student Council. The minutes are emailed to the Management Team and, if necessary, discussed by two members during a staff meeting.

### Student Council Meeting

The Student Council meets regularly, including joint meetings with the student councils from our partner schools, IKC Nelson Mandela and Crescendo, to exchange experiences and ideas.

### After one year, all students automatically leave the Student Council.

New elections are held at the start of each school year. A student may serve on the Student Council a maximum of two times. There must be a one-year gap between terms; serving two consecutive terms is not permitted.

The Student Council has a lunch meeting with the principal at the start of the school year and again in the second half of the school year to discuss areas for improvement at the school and to assess whether they feel their ideas are being adequately addressed within the Student Council.

## Attendance Policy

Good attendance at school is important for the development and learning of your child. That is why we have clear guidelines regarding tardiness, leave requests, and absences due to illness. In this overview, you can read about the applicable rules and the steps the school takes in the event of an absence.

### In class after 8:30 a.m.: late/unexcused tardiness!

Your child is late for school if they are not in class by 8:30 a.m., even if you call to say they will be late. Exceptions are made for doctor's or dentist's appointments. The first two instances will be noted and discussed with the child. On the third occasion of being late, the first card will be issued.

- **A blue card for being late 3 times**

The teacher will have a conversation with the student and/or parents.

- **An orange card for being late 6 times**

The Absenteeism Coordinator will meet with the student and parents and confirm the agreements in a letter regarding absences. We will explore how we can support or assist parents when it is difficult to arrive on time or when other factors contribute to absences. Together, we will work to find solutions.

- **A purple card for being late 9 times**

The Internal Guidance Team (IB) sends an absenteeism letter to the parents. The Compulsory Education Office receives a report (including the absenteeism record and the school's efforts). The Compulsory Education Office conducts a meeting (with the school, if necessary).

- **A red card for being late 12 times**

The Compulsory Education Office receives an absenteeism report (including the absenteeism record and the school's efforts) and summons students/parents for an interview.

This form must be signed by the parents/guardians and returned to Manisha or Shrawan.

## Requesting leave/personal days

First, accumulate "snipperdagen," and then you can request leave (making up missed days afterward is not permitted!). You may only request 2 weeks (10 days) of consecutive leave. Requests must be submitted via email [tovakantie@deblauwelijn.nl](mailto:tovakantie@deblauwelijn.nl) (4 weeks in advance). These requests are only approved once you have received the confirmation letter signed by the administration.

## Sick leave

In Amsterdam, the following criteria for sick leave are applied in consultation with the GGD:

- **long-term sick leave:** more than 10 consecutive days of sick leave;
- **frequent sick leave:** being sick more than 3 times in 2 months;
- **questionable sick leave:** doubts about the validity of the sick leave claim, suspicion that illness is not the cause of the absence, for example, in cases of very vague symptoms, regularly late sick leave notifications, frequent absences during certain classes or on certain days, etc.

## Steps to take in case of illness and/or concerning absences

1. If a student is sick for more than 2 days, the teacher will contact the parents or guardians. Parents are asked to report their child's illness every day via Kwieb and/or by phone at the school's number, 020 6907 360.
2. If the student has not returned to school after 3 days due to illness, Manisha (absenteeism coordinator) will contact the parents or guardians. This conversation will be documented in the student tracking system and is discussed with the internal counselor.
3. If there are multiple reports of illness, the IB coordinator refers the case to the school nurse; in cases of frequent absences, the family's situation may be discussed in the comprehensive care conference.
4. The IB coordinator/absenteeism coordinator informs the parents/guardians of this.
5. The IB coordinator/absenteeism coordinator maintains contact with the family and the school nurse





# DECEMBER 2026

| MON                                                                                                                 | TUE                                                                                                       | WED                                                 | THU                                                                                                                                                                                        | FRI                                                                                                                                               | SAT/SUN                                                  |
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| <p>week 49</p>                                                                                                      | <p>1</p> <p>Community support team office hours 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.</p>                                  | <p>2</p>                                            | <p>3</p> <p>Swim lessons for group 7; students return to school around 2:45 p.m.</p> <p>Last day of Brede School activities block 1</p> <p>Bridge Officer office hours 8:30–11:30 a.m.</p> | <p>4</p> <p>Sinterklaas celebration at school!</p> <p>Students are dismissed at 12:00 p.m.</p> <p>NO swim lessons for group 4</p> <p>Newsline</p> | <p>5/6</p> <p>Sinterklaas</p>                            |
| <p>7</p> <p>Group 3: Anker 4 'Hallo wereld'</p> <p>Groups 5-8: Alles-apart 'Het raadsel'</p> <p>week 50</p>         | <p>8</p> <p>Group 8: Crash Internship</p> <p>Community support team office hours 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.</p> | <p>9</p>                                            | <p>10</p>                                                                                                                                                                                  | <p>11</p> <p>Swim lessons for group 4, students return to school around 3:00 p.m.</p>                                                             | <p>12/13</p>                                             |
| <p>14</p> <p>Group 3: Anker 4 'Hallo wereld'</p> <p>Groups 5-8: Alles-apart 'Het krantenartikel'</p> <p>week 51</p> | <p>15</p> <p>Community support team office hours 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.</p>                                 | <p>16</p>                                           | <p>17</p> <p>Light Festival performances 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.</p> <p>Students are dismissed at 12:00 p.m.</p> <p>Lights Festival dinner 5:00–6:30 p.m.!</p>                               | <p>18</p> <p><b>Study day;</b><br/><b>students have the day off</b></p> <p>NO swim lessons for group 4</p> <p>Newsline</p>                        | <p>19/20</p>                                             |
| <p>21</p> <p>Christmas Vacation</p> <p>week 52</p>                                                                  | <p>22</p> <p>Christmas Vacation</p>                                                                       | <p>23</p> <p>Christmas Vacation</p>                 | <p>24</p> <p>Christmas Vacation</p>                                                                                                                                                        | <p>25</p> <p>Christmas Vacation</p> <p>Christmas Day</p>                                                                                          | <p>26/27</p> <p>Christmas Vacation</p> <p>Boxing Day</p> |
| <p>28</p> <p>Christmas Vacation</p> <p>week 53</p>                                                                  | <p>29</p> <p>Christmas Vacation</p>                                                                       | <p>30</p> <p>Christmas Vacation</p> <p>Newsline</p> | <p>31</p> <p>Christmas Vacation</p> <p>New Year's Eve</p>                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                   |                                                          |



# JANUARY 2027

| MON                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | TUE                                                                                                                                                                          | WED                                                       | THU                                                                                                 | FRI                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | SAT/SUN                                                                             |
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| <p>week 1</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                           |                                                                                                     | <p>1</p> <p>Christmas Vacation<br/>New Year's Day</p>                                                                                                                                                                           | <p>2/3</p> <p>Christmas Vacation</p>                                                |
| <p>4</p> <p>Theme Blauwe Bij:<br/>Smakelijk eten<br/>Theme groups 1-2: Winterkost<br/>Group 3: Anker 4 'Hallo wereld'<br/>Groups 5-8: Alles-apart<br/>'Het dagboek'</p> <p>week 2</p>                                     | <p>5</p> <p>Kanjertraining: Groups 1-8<br/>chapter 8<br/>Start of 'Silver Weeks'<br/>for groups 1-8<br/>Community support team<br/>office hours<br/>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.</p> | <p>6</p> <p>Epiphany</p>                                  | <p>7</p> <p>Bridge Officer<br/>office hours 8:30–11:30 a.m.</p>                                     | <p>8</p> <p>Swim lessons for group 4,<br/>students return to school<br/>around 3:00 p.m.</p>                                                                                                                                    | <p>9/10</p>                                                                         |
| <p>11</p> <p>Start of cito testing period:<br/>M-tests groups 3-7<br/>Group 3: Anker 4 'Hallo wereld'<br/>Groups 5-8: Alles-in-1 PGR<br/>Start of Brede School<br/>activities block 2</p> <p>week 3</p>                   | <p>12</p> <p>Community support team<br/>office hours<br/>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.</p>                                                                                            | <p>13</p>                                                 | <p>14</p>                                                                                           | <p>15</p> <p>Swim lessons for group 4,<br/>students return to school<br/>around 3:00 p.m.<br/>Newsline</p>                                                                                                                      | <p>16/17</p>                                                                        |
| <p>18</p> <p><b>Study day;<br/>students have the day off</b></p> <p>week 4</p>                                                                                                                                            | <p>19</p> <p>Kanjertraining: Groups 1-8<br/>chapter 9<br/>Group 3: Anker 5<br/>'Uit de kunst'<br/>Community support team<br/>office hours<br/>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.</p>       | <p>20</p> <p>Start of National<br/>Reading Aloud Days</p> | <p>21</p> <p>Reading morning for parents<br/>in connection with National<br/>Reading Aloud Days</p> | <p>22</p> <p>Reading morning for parents<br/>in connection with National<br/>Reading Aloud Days<br/>Swim lessons for group 4,<br/>students return to school<br/>around 3:00 p.m.<br/>Newsline</p>                               | <p>23/24</p> <p>International Day of Education</p>                                  |
| <p>25</p> <p>Group 3: Anker 5<br/>'Uit de kunst'<br/>Start of parent-teacher conferences<br/>regarding preliminary<br/>recommendations for group 8<br/>Group 8 promotion test<br/>administration period</p> <p>week 5</p> | <p>26</p> <p>Parent meeting on<br/>'girls' bullying' at 1:00 p.m.<br/>Community support team<br/>office hours<br/>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.</p>                                   | <p>27</p>                                                 | <p>28</p> <p>Reading morning for parents<br/>in connection with National<br/>Reading Aloud Days</p> | <p>29</p> <p>Reading morning for parents<br/>in connection with National<br/>Reading Aloud Days<br/>Last swim lessons for group 4,<br/>students return to school<br/>around 3:00 p.m.<br/>Newsline<br/>Start of Poetry Week</p> | <p>30/31</p> <p>Principal's Day<br/>Last Day of National<br/>Reading Aloud Days</p> |





## Flexible school hours at De Blauwe Lijn

Starting August 1, 2020, the Blauwe Lijn will participate in an experiment involving the flexible scheduling and organizing instructional time. The pilot will run until 2027; in 2026, the City of Amsterdam will decide whether or not to continue with the flexible school hours. Flexible school hours mean that we may deviate from the normal school breaks. Twenty schools in the Netherlands are participating in this pilot program. At the Blauwe Lijn, students are welcome 46 weeks a year. De Blauwe Lijn will be closed for 2 weeks over Christmas, from December 21, 2026, through January 1, 2027, and for 5 weeks during the summer break, from July 16 through August 22, 2027.

Students can attend school during the flexible vacation weeks and use those days to build up a bank of days off. With the days they've saved up, students can take a vacation and/or a day off at a later time. With flexible school hours, we at the Blauwe Lijn can truly offer children equal opportunities. That is what matters, not those vacations outside the peak season. Parents must give at least one month's notice if leave of more than three days will be taken. These requests must be approved by the administration. There is a minimum of 950 hours for students, but students may complete more hours of instruction (investing unequally to create equal opportunities), as is already the case through the learning labs and summer school.

### Conditions for parents to take flexible days for their child(ren)

- It is only possible to take flexible vacation days if they have first been saved up in a flexible vacation bank.
- A maximum of two consecutive weeks of vacation may be taken.
- During a school year, a student must be present at school for at least 950 hours (legal requirement). If a student falls below this number of hours due to taking days off, the request will be denied.
- Parents must submit a request to the Office at least one month in advance. This can be done at [vakantie@deblauwelijn.nl](mailto:vakantie@deblauwelijn.nl).
- Parents must receive approval from the school administration for flexible vacation days. Arguments such as "we've already booked a flight" are not valid.
- Individual flex vacation days may also be requested. Permission from the administration is also required for this.
- The following periods are excluded from taking flex vacation: the first two weeks after the official summer vacation, and for 8th groupers, the week of the promotion test (often between late January and mid-February).
- Office records a student's vacation days.
- Office notifies parents whether permission has been granted.
- Only the days accrued during the flexible May and summer breaks may be carried over to the new school year.
- Days accrued during the flexible fall and spring breaks must be taken within the same school year.

### Information for parents/guardians

- The flexible vacation policy is outlined in the school handbook.
- The policy is also posted on the website with links for submitting requests.
- The policy is valid as long as the school participates in the Ministry of Education's "Pilot Experiment: Flexibility in School Time."

## Thematic education

At the Blauwe Lijn, we provide thematic, adaptive education. Below is an overview of the themes students are offered, from the Blauwe Bij (preschoolers) through to group 8. As you can see, we try to ensure that the themes build on one another as much as possible.

| Blauwe Bij                                                                          | Group 1-2                                                                           | Group 3                                                                             | Group 4                                                                             | Groups 5-8                                                                          |
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| <b>Method:</b><br>Uk en Puk                                                         | <b>Method:</b><br>Sil op school                                                     | <b>Leesmethode:</b><br>Veilig Leren<br>Lezen - Zoem                                 | <b>Method:</b><br>Alles-in-1<br>group 4                                             | <b>Method:</b><br>Alles-in-1                                                        |
| Welkom Puk<br>Kijk mij eens                                                         | Dit zijn wij:<br>een kleutervolg!                                                   | Help!<br>Bewegen maar!                                                              | Waar is het?                                                                        | Amerika,<br>Australië,<br>Antarctica en<br>Oceanië                                  |
| Kom bij<br>mij thuis<br>Samen<br>feest vieren                                       | Het huis van...                                                                     | De tijd van toen<br>Hallo wereld                                                    | Jij en ik!                                                                          | Voeding                                                                             |
| Smakelijk eten                                                                      | Winterkost                                                                          | Uit de kunst<br>Natuurlijk<br>Natuurlijk                                            | Wanneer<br>was dat?                                                                 | Prehistorie,<br>Grieken en<br>Romeinen                                              |
| Fit met Puk                                                                         | Pleisters<br>en zalfjes                                                             | Eten en weten<br>Wat een<br>uitvinding!                                             | Hoe werkt het?                                                                      | Energie                                                                             |
| We gaan<br>op avontuur!                                                             | Sil naar het<br>pretpark                                                            | Het<br>Zoemfestival                                                                 | Wat groeit<br>en bloeit                                                             | Milieu en<br>Kringloop                                                              |



# FEBRUARY 2027

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| <b>1</b><br>Group 3: Anker 5<br>'Uit de kunst'<br><br>week 5                                                          | <b>2</b><br>Community support team<br>office hours<br>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.                                                                                  | <b>3</b>                                                      | <b>4</b><br>Bridge Officer<br>office hours 8:30–11:30 a.m. | <b>5</b><br>End of 'Silver Weeks'<br>for groups 1-8<br>End of cito testing period<br>M-tests for groups 3-7<br>Swim lessons for group 4,<br>students return to school<br>around 3:00 p.m. | <b>6/7</b><br>Carnaval<br><br>Start Ramadan |
| <b>8</b><br>Group 3: Anker 5<br>'Uit de kunst'<br>Kanjertraining: Groups 1-8<br>chapter 10<br><br>week 6              | <b>9</b><br>Community support team<br>office hours<br>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.                                                                                  | <b>10</b><br>Sign up for report card<br>conferences via Kwieb | <b>11</b>                                                  | <b>12</b><br>Swim lessons for group 4,<br>students return to school<br>around 3:00 p.m.<br>Newsline                                                                                       | <b>13/14</b><br><br>Valentine's Day         |
| <b>15</b><br>Group 3: Anker 6<br>'Natuurlijk Natuurlijk'<br>Groups 5-8: Alles-apart<br>'De toneeltekst'<br><br>week 7 | <b>16</b><br><b>Study afternoon; students<br/>           are dismissed at 12:00 p.m.!</b><br>Community support team<br>office hours<br>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. | <b>17</b>                                                     | <b>18</b>                                                  | <b>19</b><br><b>Study day;<br/>           students have the day off</b><br>NO swim lessons for group 4                                                                                    | <b>20/21</b>                                |
| <b>22</b><br>Flexible Spring Vacation<br><br>week 8                                                                   | <b>23</b><br>Flexible Spring Vacation                                                                                                                       | <b>24</b><br>Flexible Spring Vacation                         | <b>25</b><br>Flexible Spring Vacation                      | <b>26</b><br>Spring Vacation,<br>school closed!<br>Newsline                                                                                                                               | <b>27/28</b><br>Spring Vacation             |
|                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                             |                                                               |                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                             |





# MARCH 2027

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| <b>1</b><br>Theme Blauwe Bij: Fit met Puk<br>Theme groups 1-2:<br>Pleisters en zalpjes<br>Group 3: Anker 6<br>'Natuurlijk Natuurlijk'<br>National Compliment Day<br>week 9         | <b>2</b><br>Groups 5-8: Alles-apart<br>'Het schema'<br>Kanjertraining: Groups 1-8<br>chapter 11<br>Community support team<br>office hours<br>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. | <b>3</b><br><b>Study day;</b><br><b>students have the day off</b><br>Report card conferences | <b>4</b><br>Swim lessons for group 8,<br>students return to school<br>around 2:45 p.m.<br>Bridge Officer<br>office hours 8:30–11:30 a.m. | <b>5</b>                             | <b>6/7</b>                                                     |
| <b>8</b><br>Group 3: Anker 6<br>'Natuurlijk Natuurlijk'<br>Groups 5-8:<br>Alles-in-1 Energie<br>International<br>Women's Day<br>week 10                                            | <b>9</b><br>Community support team<br>office hours<br>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.<br>Eid al-Fitr                                                                         | <b>10</b>                                                                                    | <b>11</b><br>Swim lessons for group 8,<br>students return to school<br>around 2:45 p.m.                                                  | <b>12</b><br>Newsline                | <b>13/14</b>                                                   |
| <b>15</b><br>Group 3: Anker 6<br>'Natuurlijk Natuurlijk'<br>Kanjertraining: Groups 1-8<br>chapter 12<br>Start oudergesprekken<br>definitief advies<br>Week van het geld<br>week 11 | <b>16</b><br>Community support team<br>office hours<br>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.                                                                                       | <b>17</b>                                                                                    | <b>18</b><br>Swim lessons for group 8,<br>students return to school<br>around 2:45 p.m.                                                  | <b>19</b>                            | <b>20/21</b>                                                   |
| <b>22</b><br>Group 3: Buffer week<br>Holi-Phagwa<br>week 12                                                                                                                        | <b>23</b><br>Community support team<br>office hours<br>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.                                                                                       | <b>24</b>                                                                                    | <b>25</b>                                                                                                                                | <b>26</b><br>Good Friday<br>Newsline | <b>27/28</b><br>Easter Sunday<br>Start of Daylight Saving Time |
| <b>29</b><br><b>Easter Monday</b><br>Group 3: Anker 7<br>'Eten en weten'<br>Kanjertraining: Groups 1-8<br>chapter 13<br>week 13                                                    | <b>30</b><br>2nd Parent Panel;<br>details to follow<br>Community support team<br>office hours<br>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.<br>Spring Fever Week                        | <b>31</b>                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                          |                                      |                                                                |



## De Blauwe Bij preschool

Enroll your child in preschool!

Are you looking for the best preparation for elementary school for your child? Then Zonova Childcare's preschool is the ideal choice!

We offer high-quality child care, including preschool, at more than 23 locations in Amsterdam Zuidoost, and we also provide after-school care at various schools. The preschool provides a stimulating environment where children develop important skills through play, such as independence and expanding their vocabulary.

Your child can join the preschool starting at age 2, and enrollment is possible from birth.

Click on Preschool - Welcome to Zonova Childcare to register and for more information, and be sure to view or download our Zonova Childcare brochure and the City of Amsterdam's preschool brochure on that page!

### Website:

[Preschool De Blauwe Bij - Welcome to Zonova Childcare](#)

### Contact information for the Kortvoort preschool groups:

Blauwe Bij 1: 020 569 68 99 - [blauwebij1@swazoom.nl](mailto:blauwebij1@swazoom.nl)

Blauwe Bij 2: 020 569 68 46 - [blauwebij2@swazoom.nl](mailto:blauwebij2@swazoom.nl)

## Kortvoort after-school care

Enroll your child in after-school care at Zonova Childcare!

Looking for a pleasant, familiar place for your child after school? At Zonova Childcare, we offer after-school care (BSO) that feels like a second home, where fun and discovery take center stage. We understand that every child is unique, which is why we offer a wide range of activities tailored to your child's interests.

At Zonova Childcare, you can choose from the following care options:

- After-school care (including on teacher training days and during school breaks)

Our after-school care locations are open until 6:30 p.m. And when school is closed for the day, we're open so your child can play, explore, or relax to their heart's content with peers.

Do you have any questions or would you like to learn more about our after-school care? Click on [After-School Care - Welcome to Zonova Childcare](#) for more information about our afterschool care program!

### After-school care contact information:

Kortvoort After-School Care: 06 206 592 98 [bsokortvoort@swazoom.nl](mailto:bsokortvoort@swazoom.nl)



# APRIL 2027

| MON                                                                                                                                                                   | TUE                                                                                                                    | WED                                    | THU                                                                                                                                             | FRI                                                                       | SAT/SUN                                               |
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| <p>week 13</p>                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                        |                                        | <p>1</p> <p>Swim lessons for group 8, students return to school around 2:45 p.m.</p> <p>Bridge Officer<br/>office hours 8:30–11:30 a.m.</p>     | <p>2</p>                                                                  | <p>3/4</p>                                            |
| <p>5</p> <p>Group 3: Anker 7<br/>'Eten en weten'<br/>Option this week:<br/>Open classroom visits<br/>Last week Brede School<br/>activities block 2</p> <p>week 14</p> | <p>6</p> <p>Community support team<br/>office hours<br/>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.<br/>National Outdoor<br/>Learning Day</p> | <p>7</p>                               | <p>8</p> <p><b>Study day;<br/>students have the day off</b></p>                                                                                 | <p>9</p> <p>Last day Brede School<br/>activities block 2<br/>Newsline</p> | <p>10/11</p>                                          |
| <p>12</p> <p>Group 3: Anker 7<br/>'Eten en weten'<br/>Groups 5-8: Alles-apart<br/>'De gebruiksaanwijzing'<br/>Optie deze week<br/>open lesbezoeken</p> <p>week 15</p> | <p>13</p> <p>Community support team<br/>office hours<br/>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.</p>                                      | <p>14</p>                              | <p>15</p> <p>This week traffic safety exam<br/>for group 8<br/>Swim lessons for group 8,<br/>students return to school<br/>around 2:45 p.m.</p> | <p>16</p> <p>Groups 5-8: Alles-apart<br/>'Informatiebronnen'</p>          | <p>17/18</p>                                          |
| <p>19</p> <p>Group 3: Anker 7<br/>'Eten en weten'<br/>Kanjerttraining: Groups 1-8<br/>chapter 14<br/>Anti-Bullying Day</p> <p>week 16</p>                             | <p>20</p> <p>Community support team<br/>office hours<br/>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.</p>                                      | <p>21</p>                              | <p>22</p> <p>Swim lessons for group 8,<br/>students return to school<br/>around 2:45 p.m.</p>                                                   | <p>23</p> <p>Newsline</p>                                                 | <p>24/25</p>                                          |
| <p>26</p> <p>May Vacation,<br/>school closed!</p> <p>week 17</p>                                                                                                      | <p>27</p> <p>May Vacation,<br/>school closed!<br/>King's Day</p>                                                       | <p>28</p> <p>Flexible May Vacation</p> | <p>29</p> <p>Flexible May Vacation</p>                                                                                                          | <p>30</p> <p>Flexible May Vacation</p>                                    | <p>1/2</p> <p>Flexible May Vacation<br/>Labor Day</p> |





# MAY 2027

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| <b>3</b><br>May Vacation,<br>school closed!<br><br>week 18                                                                                                                                      | <b>4</b><br>May Vacation,<br>school closed!<br>National Remembrance Day                                                                                               | <b>5</b><br>May Vacation,<br>school closed!<br>Liberation Day | <b>6</b><br>May Vacation,<br>school closed!<br>Ascension Day                                                                                 | <b>7</b><br>May Vacation,<br>school closed!<br>Newsline             | <b>8/9</b><br>May Vacation,<br>school closed!<br><br>Mother's Day |
| <b>10</b><br>Theme Blauwe Bij:<br>We gaan op avontuur!<br>Theme groups 1-2:<br>Sil naar het pretpark<br>Group 3: Anker 8<br>'Wat een uitvinding'<br>Groups 5-8: Alles-apart<br>'De brief' wk 19 | <b>11</b><br>Kanjertaining: Groups 1-8<br>chapter 14<br>Start of Brede School<br>activities block 3<br>Community support team<br>office hours<br>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. | <b>12</b>                                                     | <b>13</b><br>Bridge Officer<br>office hours 8:30–11:30 a.m.                                                                                  | <b>14</b><br><b>Zonova study day;<br/>students have the day off</b> | <b>15/16</b><br>Feast of Sacrifice<br><br>Pentecost Sunday        |
| <b>17</b><br>White Monday<br><br>week 20                                                                                                                                                        | <b>18</b><br>Groups 5-8: Alles-in-1<br>Milieu en Kringloop<br>Option this week:<br>school photos<br>Community support team<br>office hours<br>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.    | <b>19</b><br>Start cito testing period<br>E-tests groups 3-7  | <b>20</b>                                                                                                                                    | <b>21</b><br>Newsline                                               | <b>22/23</b>                                                      |
| <b>24</b><br>Group 3: Anker 8<br>'Wat een uitvinding'<br>Kanjertaining: Groups 1-8<br>chapter 15<br><br>week 21                                                                                 | <b>25</b><br>Community support team<br>office hours<br>9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.                                                                                           | <b>26</b>                                                     | <b>27</b><br>Information evening for<br>group 7 – Explanation of<br>the Core Procedure:<br>Transition from Elementary<br>to Secondary School | <b>28</b>                                                           | <b>29/30</b>                                                      |
| <b>31</b><br>Group 3: Anker 8<br>'Wat een uitvinding'<br>School Trip Week<br><br>week 22                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                               |                                                                                                                                              |                                                                     |                                                                   |



## Brede/Rijke School activities

The activities of the Brede School Zuidoost take place at the school. You can register and participate if you are a student at the Blauwe Lijn. The start date for block 1 is Monday, September 7, 2026.

### Program

The Brede School's program is designed to introduce as many children as possible to as many different activities as possible. This gives children the opportunity to discover what they're good at, what they enjoy, and what areas they'd like to develop further. This is also known as broad talent development.

### Registration

Starting in the 2026-2027 school year, PPOZO will transition to a new system: Sanaflow.

Sanaflow handles everything related to after-school activities, such as scheduling, registration, and communication with parents. This means that the Brede School Zuidoost website will be discontinued.

Prior to each activity block, parents will receive a link from the school that they can use to register their child for after-school activities. No separate parent account is required for Sanaflow.

When registering for the first time, you'll enter your child's information. Sanaflow will then save this information so you won't have to re-enter it for future registrations. You'll receive more information about the registration process before the first activity block begins.

If you need help, Manisha and Robbin are here to assist you. They keep track of who signs up and assign the children to the activities.

### Signing up and participating also means attending all classes!

Teachers Manisha and Robbin will monitor attendance and contact parents if necessary.

Of course, there may be times when your child is sick. In that case, please let Teachers Manisha and Robbin know.

### Duration

An activity may be offered for the entire school year (Rijke School Day) or in blocks of 8 to 12 school weeks (Brede School Day); sometimes slightly longer, sometimes slightly shorter. There are no afterschool activities during the flexible vacation period.

### Participation

There is no cost to participate. The Zuidoost District, Zonova, and the Blauwe Lijn team believe it's important that everyone can join in. Participation is only allowed if parents give their consent and if everyone follows the rules.

## Learning Lab

Learning Labs are also offered at school. The offerings vary by term and are communicated to the parents. Teachers lead the Learning Lab themselves, and staff availability and commitment. For students in group 8 who are about to graduate, we have developed a special program: the transition from elementary school to secondary school.

**Please note! If your child participates in the Learning Lab, he or she cannot take part in a Brede School activity on that same day.**

## Family school

De Blauwe Lijn is a family school. A family school clearly defines how partners in the educational continuum are involved in creating a safe and stable environment where children can develop to their full potential. Strengthening parental involvement is both a prerequisite and a goal in itself. Through the family school approach, De Blauwe Lijn aims to complete the full picture so that the quality of education truly leads to optimal development opportunities.

## Bridge officer at De Blauwe Lijn

A bridge officer builds a bridge between the school, the family, and the community (neighborhood) to promote equal opportunities for children. The bridge officer identifies problems in the home environment at an early stage (such as poverty or parenting concerns) and offers accessible support or refers families to social services. At De Blauwe Lijn, Sara serves as the bridge officer.

At De Blauwe Lijn, we have a wide range of external partners; see the table below. If you'd like to get in touch with one of our partners, you can do so through the bridge officer and/or the internal guidance counselor (IB).

| Health                      | Social Services                   |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| GGD                         | OKT                               |
| Dentist                     | Community support team            |
| Physical Therapist          | Youth Fund for Sports and Culture |
| Occupational Therapist      | Youth Education Fund              |
| Play Therapist              | Sina Foundation                   |
| Speech-Language Pathologist | Vivell                            |
| Dyslexia Specialist         | Preventive intervention team      |





# JUNE 2027

| MON                                                                                                                                                                                        | TUE                                                                                                                       | WED                                                                                                                            | THU                                                          | FRI                            | SAT/SUN                          |
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| <p>week 23</p>                                                                                                                                                                             | <p>1</p> <p>Community support team office hours 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.</p>                                                  | <p>2</p>                                                                                                                       | <p>3</p>                                                     | <p>4</p> <p>Newsline</p>       | <p>5/6</p>                       |
| <p>7</p> <p>This week practical traffic exam for group 8<br/>Group 3: Anker closing event 'Het Zoemfestival'</p> <p>week 24</p>                                                            | <p>8</p> <p>Community support team office hours 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.</p>                                                  | <p>9</p> <p>Sign up for report card conferences via Kwieb</p>                                                                  | <p>10</p> <p>Bridge Officer office hours 8:30–11:30 a.m.</p> | <p>11</p>                      | <p>12/13</p>                     |
| <p>14</p> <p><b>Study day; students have the day off</b><br/>Group 3: Anker closing event 'Het Zoemfestival'</p> <p>week 25</p>                                                            | <p>15</p> <p><b>Study day; students have the day off</b><br/>Community support team office hours 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.</p> | <p>16</p>                                                                                                                      | <p>17</p>                                                    | <p>18</p> <p>Newsline</p>      | <p>19/20</p> <p>Father's Day</p> |
| <p>21</p> <p>Group 3: Buffer week<br/>Groups 5-8: Alles-apart 'Geloof of bijgeloof?'</p> <p>week 26</p>                                                                                    | <p>22</p> <p>Community support team office hours 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.</p>                                                 | <p>23</p>                                                                                                                      | <p>24</p>                                                    | <p>25</p> <p>Teachers' Day</p> | <p>26/27</p>                     |
| <p>28</p> <p>Group 3: Buffer week<br/>Groups 5-8: Alles-apart 'Beroemde mensen'<br/>Final week Brede School activities block 3<br/>Group 8: School camp through June 30</p> <p>week 27</p> | <p>29</p> <p>Community support team office hours 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.</p>                                                 | <p>30</p> <p><b>Study day; students have the day off</b><br/>Report card conferences and expectations meetings for group 7</p> |                                                              |                                |                                  |





# JULY 2027

| MON                                                                                             | TUE                                                                                                                                        | WED                                                             | THU                                                                                                                                      | FRI                                                                                     | SAT/SUN                             |
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| <p>week 27</p>                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                            |                                                                 | <p>1</p> <p>Ketikoti<br/>Group 8: Students have the day off</p> <p><b>Study afternoon; students are free starting at 12:00 p.m.!</b></p> | <p>2</p> <p>New Group Day<br/>Last day Brede School activities block 3<br/>Newsline</p> | <p>3/4</p>                          |
| <p>5</p> <p>Group 3: Buffer week<br/>Groups 5-8: Alles-apart 'De spelregels'</p> <p>week 28</p> | <p>6</p> <p>Group 8: Musical and graduation ceremony<br/>Last day group 8<br/>Community support team office hours 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.</p> | <p>7</p> <p>Bridge Officer<br/>office hours 8:30–11:30 a.m.</p> | <p>8</p> <p>Group 2 Diploma Ceremony<br/>Last day at school</p>                                                                          | <p>9</p> <p><b>Study day; students have the day off!</b></p>                            | <p>10/11</p>                        |
| <p>12</p> <p>Flexible Summer Vacation</p> <p>week 29</p>                                        | <p>13</p> <p>Flexible Summer Vacation</p>                                                                                                  | <p>14</p> <p>Flexible Summer Vacation</p>                       | <p>15</p> <p>Flexible Summer Vacation</p>                                                                                                | <p>16</p> <p>Summer Vacation, school is closed!</p>                                     | <p>17/18</p> <p>Summer Vacation</p> |
| <p>19</p> <p>Summer Vacation</p> <p>week 30</p>                                                 | <p>20</p> <p>Summer Vacation</p>                                                                                                           | <p>21</p> <p>Summer Vacation</p>                                | <p>22</p> <p>Summer Vacation</p>                                                                                                         | <p>23</p> <p>Summer Vacation</p>                                                        | <p>24/25</p> <p>Summer Vacation</p> |
| <p>26</p> <p>Summer Vacation</p> <p>week 31</p>                                                 | <p>27</p> <p>Summer Vacation</p>                                                                                                           | <p>28</p> <p>Summer Vacation</p>                                | <p>29</p> <p>Summer Vacation</p>                                                                                                         | <p>30</p> <p>Summer Vacation</p>                                                        | <p>31/1</p> <p>Summer Vacation</p>  |



# AUGUST 2027

| MON                                                         | TUE                                      | WED                                      | THU                                      | FRI                                      | SAT/SUN                                     |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| <div>2</div> <div>Summer Vacation</div> <div>week 31</div>  | <div>3</div> <div>Summer Vacation</div>  | <div>4</div> <div>Summer Vacation</div>  | <div>5</div> <div>Summer Vacation</div>  | <div>6</div> <div>Summer Vacation</div>  | <div>7/8</div> <div>Summer Vacation</div>   |
| <div>9</div> <div>Summer Vacation</div> <div>week 32</div>  | <div>10</div> <div>Summer Vacation</div> | <div>11</div> <div>Summer Vacation</div> | <div>12</div> <div>Summer Vacation</div> | <div>13</div> <div>Summer Vacation</div> | <div>14/15</div> <div>Summer Vacation</div> |
| <div>16</div> <div>Summer Vacation</div> <div>week 33</div> | <div>17</div> <div>Summer Vacation</div> | <div>18</div> <div>Summer Vacation</div> | <div>19</div> <div>Summer Vacation</div> | <div>20</div> <div>Summer Vacation</div> | <div>21/22</div> <div>Summer Vacation</div> |
| <div>23</div> <div>week 34</div>                            | <div>24</div>                            | <div>25</div>                            | <div>26</div>                            | <div>27</div>                            | <div>28/29</div>                            |
| <div>30</div> <div>week 35</div>                            | <div>31</div>                            |                                          |                                          |                                          |                                             |

## City of Amsterdam

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The City of Amsterdam is investing in a healthy lifestyle for all children in Amsterdam.

Through the Amsterdam Healthy Weight Initiative, the city, together with its partners, is stepping up its efforts to help children achieve and maintain a healthy weight. Schools play a vital role in achieving this goal. De Blauwe Lijn is participating in this initiative!

Jump-in is the program that helps schools make the best possible contribution to their students' healthy eating and physical activity, thereby preventing overweight.

## Amsterdam Healthy Weight Goals

Healthy behavior, healthy eating, healthy physical activity, and a healthy environment should be the norm for all children in Amsterdam. To achieve this, the Amsterdam Healthy Weight Initiative, in consultation with experts from various disciplines, has formulated 8 Amsterdam Healthy Weight Goals for healthy schools to promote a healthy lifestyle among children. These goals form the foundation of Jump-in:

### These goals form the basis of Jump-in:

1. Health is a permanent priority
2. The school and parents work together to encourage healthy behavior in children
3. The school consistently implements a healthy nutrition policy; no more treats on birthdays
4. There are sufficient physical education classes taught by a specialized teacher, including PE twice a week, school swimming, and dance
5. The school actively encourages outdoor play
6. The school encourages participation in sports and physical activity; we offer assistance to parents in applying for the Youth and Sports Fund
7. The school identifies children with motor skill delays early on and provides appropriate support; Robbin organizes additional PE and physical activity sessions for these students
8. The care structure and referrals to appropriate services for children who are overweight or underweight are handled effectively by the internal counselor and dietitian.



## Healthy school, school fruit program, healthy school lunches, and no more birthday treats

- **It's tasty and healthy:** Currently, only 2% of Dutch children eat enough vegetables. A quarter of them get two pieces of fruit every day. Increasing portion sizes is easy and yields health benefits. A good first step is: fruit and vegetables at school every day.
- **It works:** Students who attend a school with a good school fruit program are also more likely to choose fruit as a snack at home. They also more vegetables than before. 80% of parents approve of the school fruit program.
- **It's straightforward:** It's easy for parents and teachers to explain the school fruit policy.
- **It's sustainable:** Many types of fruits and vegetables have a relatively low environmental impact. This applies to open-field and seasonal varieties, but also to a number of imported products, such as bananas and oranges.
- **It's educational:** Children learn more about where food comes from, the seasons, and the different types of fruits and vegetables.
- **It can help prevent obesity:** Currently, one in seven children is overweight. Fruits and vegetables are filling and relatively low in calories. If children learn that fruits and vegetables are tasty snacks, this can help them cut back on sweets and other snacks.
- **A healthy school performs better:** Students at schools where healthy eating is encouraged feel better about themselves, are less likely to catch the flu, feel fitter, and learn more easily.

### We follow these guidelines at school:

- At the Blauwe Lijn, we no longer bring treats to school when a student has a birthday.
- We celebrate the student's birthday in a different way. These are the school's guidelines. We ask parents to cooperate with these guidelines. We've chosen this approach not only because we want to be a healthy school, but also to create greater equality of opportunity, so that all children feel welcome and treated equally.
- For the "snack," we eat a piece of fruit, some vegetables, a corn wafer, or a granola bar. For lunch, students are served whole-grain sandwiches.
- When we're thirsty, we drink water.
- School dairy: Our students receive semi-skimmed milk, buttermilk, and/or semi-skimmed yogurt every week.





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