LANGUAGE FRIENDLY SCHOOL PORTRAIT

SALTO-school
Reigerlaan

Eindhoven, the Netherlands
Overview

SALTO-SCHOOL REIGERLAAN

- Location: Eindhoven, The Netherlands
- Type of school: Primary School, public
- Number of students: 200-500
- Number of staff: 20-50
- Languages spoken in school community:
- Language Friendly certified since: 2020
Motivation for becoming a Language Friendly School

THEIR STORY

SALTO-school Reigerlaan wants to become more inclusive. They want to stimulate all mother tongues. The children should feel that the languages they speak are OK. The school wants the children to know that they can use them to learn, to do research for IPC, and that there is room for their languages in school.
TOP 2 FOR REIGERLAAN

LIBRARY
The library in the school has books in Dutch, English or Spanish. Bilingual NIK-NAK books have been added in 12 languages and Dutch, (Mongolian, Farsi, French, Mandarin, etc.). Expanding this collection of language friendly and multilingual books for other age groups and languages is in the planning.

VISIBLE REPRESENTATION OF LANGUAGES
The Reigerlaan has included the languages, which they know that their students speak, on flags under the Language Friendly School Banner in the hallway. Soon, the school will have door sticker with 'welcome' written over it in many different languages to increase awareness in children.
Benefits

Benefits of becoming a Language Friendly School

For SALTO-school Reigerlaan, meeting other schools in the network is very important. It reaffirms why they want to be a Language Friendly Schools and it helps with new ideas on how to include languages. The other schools in the network give input for language friendly education. Schools in the area are also connected more now and they help each other to develop Language Friendly School Plans.
IF YOU DON'T KNOW WHERE TO START OR WHERE TO LOOK, THIS NETWORK IS THE PLACE TO ASK YOUR QUESTIONS.

LFS COORDINATOR
Plans for the Future

ENGAGE ALL PARENTS
Due to distance learning and social distancing, it is difficult to engage parents in the school; there is a greater distance to parents who don't speak Dutch. The school wants to engage these parents more. In the past, they organized Diwali, festival of lights, and Eid and let parents help organize this. Parents should feel welcome at school, and they should know that there is room for them, their languages, and their holidays.

LANGUAGE BUDDIES
After making an overview of all the languages spoken by the students, the school will start implementing a system of language buddies.
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