



# SCS NEWS bulletin

## Introduction

### Upcoming events

Inter-house sports day

On Monday and Tuesday the Primary School will be closed for training. The SCS students will return to school on Monday the 15th of February 2016.

SCS students took part in the Triathlon this year again. Well done! P.T.O. for some pictures

Want to join the MR? Need more information? Please e-mail [mr@learningsaba.com](mailto:mr@learningsaba.com)

Unfortunately our PE Teacher Mr. Errol Bent is not on island yet. As not all PE Classes can be substituted this implicates that students will go home earlier. Hopefully Mr. Bent is on island soon and PE Classes can resume in March 2016.

By Anton Hermans, director

In the beginning of January 2016 the school received the report about the Inspectorate's visit in November 2015. SCS has met the demands, as set by the Dutch Ministry for Education for the Secondary School. Reaching this basic quality is not the end but it is the result of our continuous effort to improve the quality at the Comprehensive School.

In April 2016 the Inspectorate will return to the school to evaluate the progress made in the Vocational Department (MBO).

### School nurse and school social Worker

As of January 1, 2016 our school nurse, Mrs. Jetty Martens, is on island and will be posted between both the primary school and the SCS. PTO for more information.

EC2 and Center for Youth and Family have contracted a school social worker, Mr. Ron Lemstra.

Students can be referred to the nurse and social worker or students/parents can contact them directly.

Parents/Guardians are allowed to take their child out of school for a period between 1 to 10 days. This request can only be done once. This mean you can either request one day, 5 days or 10 days. These days have to be consecutive. Once permission has been given, you will receive a letter from the school which is co-signed by the truancy officer.

If you request permission to leave the island for medical, this request has to be supported by a doctor's letter.

### Bullying Prevention Coordinating Committee (BPCC)

The school collaborated with many stakeholders around the island to start a wider island approach to prevent bullying. The 2-day training will take place at the end of February 2016.

Teachers will be informed and trained in August 2016 and a kick-off event will be held in the upcoming school year to ban bullying from the school. For more information please Google "Olweus Anti Bullying Program" If you, as a parent/organization want to participate in the training or would like to receive more information, please contact the director.



### Upcoming Events

#### February

- 8-12 Mid term break
- 15 Back to school
- 19 Inter-house Sports Day
- 22 Start Internship Form 3V + 4V

#### March

- 14 Term 3 starts
- 15 Report Card Meeting, school ends at 12.15 pm.
- 18 Report Card distribution. Parents/Guardians are requested to pick up the report after 12.15pm.
- 23 Sports Day—Walk-a-thon

#### April

- 8 Form 3+4+5 Hospitality Food Handling Training (tentative)



March 24 —April 1 Easter Break

**PB** Next Parent Body Meeting:

Monday February 15, 2016  
@ 5 pm SCS



### SCHOOL IS COMPULSORY

By the Truancy officer

School is compulsory. This message has been communicated many times before.

MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD IS IN SCHOOL EVERY DAY.



**Please meet : Jetty Martens**

As the Public Health Nurse I am responsible for Youth Healthcare. I will visit the school to do preventative healthcare examinations and vaccinations.

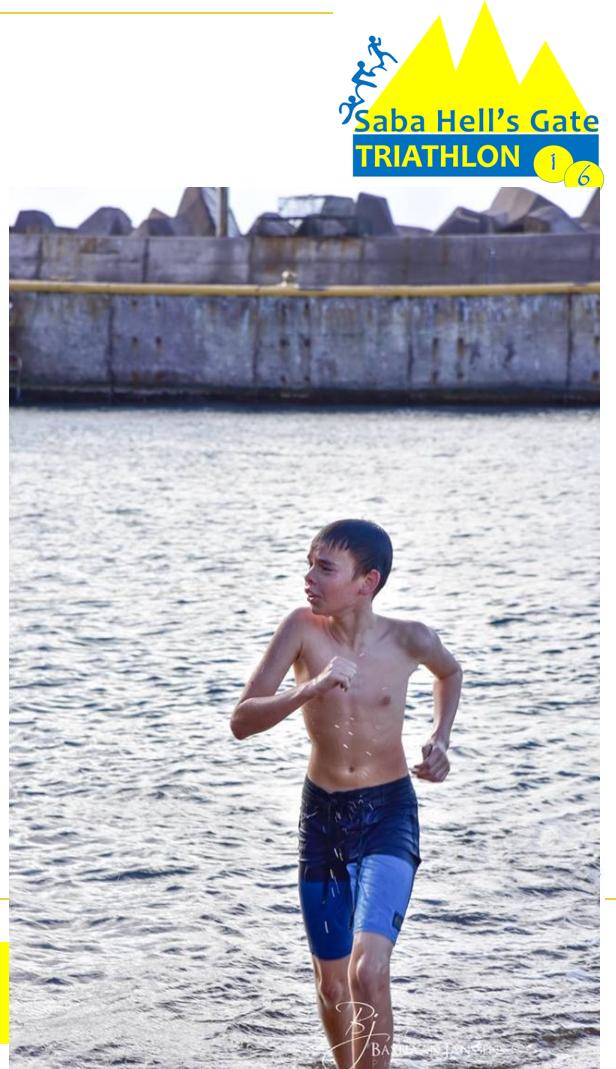
In second and fourth form physical examinations and interviews will be held with the students, geared towards psychological development and lifestyles. You as a parent/guardian will be informed when this takes place. I will also assist in and give lessons about health issues.

If you want to meet me, please come and visit me at the Public Health Department (all afternoons between 3.30 and 4.30 p.m.), give me a call (4163311 extension 228) or send me an e-mail (jetty.martens@sabagov.nl)

**WE CAN YOUNG**



Body, Mind and Spirit has partnered up with Saba Comprehensive School, Centre for Youth and Family, and the Public Health Department to reach Saba's adolescent/youth with the new "We Can Young" campaign about how respect and personal boundaries work. We participate in this program with the academic students. These important values should be a part of the everyday lives of Saba's youth. The intention is to make the values of the campaign part of the curriculum in the coming years.



SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE MID TERM BREAK FROM FEBRUARY 8 TILL FEBRUARY 12