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The Dokter Herman Bekiusschool is a special education school for pupils who have special educational needs or who need specific guidance. By working with a fixed timetable, form teacher(s) and in small groups, we create as much structure, calm and regularity as possible.

A class consists of about 15 pupils and is coached by a teacher. In the lower years, a designated support person is attached to the group. From the middle years onwards, support is shared between the groups. In the classroom, each pupil has his or her own (shielded) workplace. We work individually, in groups and with the class as a whole and we use tools such as time-timers.

If your son or daughter receives extra care (jeugdzorg), we will - with your permission - work closely together with the relevant organisation(s) to ensure that education and care are well coordinated.

In this safe and predictable learning environment, your son or daughter can further develop his or her talents and work towards a transfer to a regular or specialised secondary school.

SOCIAL SKILLS

Next to regular school subjects a lot of attention is given to social-emotional development.

Important themes are learning to learn, preparing for the future and working on social skills such as 'self-reliance' and 'cooperation'. These themes are addressed in regular lessons as well as in special lessons such as 'Lifestyle'. During a social-emotional skills workshop, each group also follows lessons that take into account what is going on in, and that fit the needs of, the group.

LEARNING TO PARTICIPATE IN TOMORROW'S SOCIETY

OUR TEACHING

Our curriculum matches that of regular primary schools. In addition, we give extra attention to:

- Sensory and motor development
- Social-emotional development
- Learning to learn
- Dealing with media and technological tools

We design a personalised development perspective plan (ontwikkelingsperspectiefplan, or OPP) for each pupil. This plan states what your son or daughter will learn in the coming school years, what target level we are working towards and what next step in their school career we are aiming for.

Besides our specialised teachers and educational support staff, the school employs several other specialists, such as teaching assistants (IB-ers) and behavioural scientists. Pupils can also attend speech therapy and physiotherapy at the school.

If a pupil temporarily needs more support than can be provided within the classroom, he or she can go to SOVA guidance. In this group, pupils receive short-term assistance, in order to help improve matters before returning to their group.

CONTACT WITH PARENTS/CARERS

Good cooperation with parents is very important to us. We therefore actively involve you in the development and achievements of your son or daughter. During the year, there are three fixed moments of contact between parents/carers and the school.

News and important dates for the school are shared with you through our digital newsletter. Parro will keep you informed on what is going on in the classroom and also allows you to stay in contact with the teacher.

All matters concerning your son or daughter can be first discussed with their teacher. This teacher will also contact you when and if there is reason to do so.

Through the participation council or parents' committee, you can also play an active role in helping develop the school.



SICK NOTES

If your son or daughter is ill and unable to attend school, you should inform us between 07.30 and 08.30 hours by calling 0320 24 54 90, or by sending a message through Parro.

The same applies to fit notes, so we know when your son or daughter will return to school. A new week requires a new sick note. If you use a taxi company for transportation, make sure that you also send sick and fit notes to this company.

MEDICATION

In some instances, pupils use prescribed medication or other substances that need to be taken several times a day, also during school hours. Should you wish to transfer the administering of medicines to the school, permission for this must be given in writing. The medication must be supplied in your son or daughter's name and in the original packaging. Even when administering a simple drug, such as paracetamol, we will contact you to ask for permission to dispense this medicine.

SCHOOL HOURS

Monday	8.30 - 14.00
Tuesday	8.30 - 14.00
Wednesday	8.30 - 14.00*
Thursday	8.30 - 14.00
Friday	8.30 - 14.00

* Pupils in groups 1 and 2 do not attend school on Wednesdays.

CORE VALUES

At school we have three core values:

- Safety
- Trust
- Respect

PBS

Our core values include 'behaviour expectations'. Together, we establish what we expect from each other and we also encourage positive behaviour. For this, we work according to the PBS principle.

Positive Behaviour Support (PBS) focuses on reinforcing desirable behaviour. Corresponding with this positive approach, the emphasis will lay on what is going well. The aim is for children and teachers to feel safe at school, which promotes learning and helps prevent behavioural issues.



Autumn holiday Christmas holiday Spring holiday Easter May holiday Pentecost Summer holiday 23-10-2023 t/m 27-10-2023 25-12-2023 t/m 05-01-2024 19-02-2024 t/m 23-02-2024 01-04-2024 29-04-2024 t/m 10-05-2024* 20-05-2024 22-07-2024 t/m 30-08-2024

* 6, 7, 8 and 10 May are extra holidays for pupils. As these dates connect to the May holidays, they are included in their holiday schedule.

OTHER FREE DAYS

Next to the school holidays, pupils also have several days off due to teacher training and organisational days for staff every year. The following days have already been scheduled:

- 06-11-2023
- 05-02-2024
- 29-03-2024 (Good Friday)
- 21-06-2024

Other teacher training days and other important dates will be announced as soon as possible.

For more information, please refer to our website: www.eduvier.nl/bekiusschool. Here you will also find our school guide.





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