



Leiden

Guide to choosing a school

2020





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When your child is four years old, he or she will go to school. This is a special moment and a true milestone. Children spend a large amount of their lives at school, in order to learn, to play and to develop socially. It is therefore important that you choose a school that is well-suited to your child. This guide is here to help you!

GOOD LUCK FINDING A SUITABLE SCHOOL!



A special moment

HOW DO I CHOOSE A SCHOOL?

Every child is different. When choosing a school, you should first consider the character of your child. What school would suit him or her? What is the atmosphere like at the school? And which teaching method matches your child? In addition, there are differences in a school's principles. Is it important for you that the school is based on a certain belief or world view? Or would you prefer an openbaar (secular) school? Practical issues could also play a role. Where is the school located? And what are the school hours? In this guide and on the website www.leiden.nl/onderwijs you can read more about this.

REGISTER FROM THREE YEARS OLD

You can register your child from their third birthday at the school of your choice. This minimum age limit applies to all primary schools in Leiden. Please note: your child has not yet been admitted after registration. Every school has its own admissions policy. Consult the school's website or school guide for more information.

GO AND SEE FOR YOURSELF

Just like with shoes, you only know if you like schools after you've tried them yourself. So after you have thought about what is important for you in a school, go and 'try' it. Visit different schools in your neighbourhood. Sample the atmosphere, speak with the teachers and ask about everything you want to know. This can be done during a private appointment or at an open day. To make things easier for you, this guide includes a list that you can take with you on your school visits, the 'Kijkwijzer' ('Viewing Indicator'). On this list there are useful questions that you can ask and things to look out for when looking round a school. Based on your experiences with the schools you can then make a well-considered choice.

SPECIAL NEEDS (PRIMARY) EDUCATION

Does your child need more than a mainstream primary school can provide? At the back of this guide you can find more information about special needs (primary) education in Leiden.



SECULAR OR BASED ON A PARTICULAR FAITH?

Secular (openbare) primary schools are not based on a certain religion or belief system. In addition, in Leiden there are Catholic and Protestant schools, and one Islamic school. In most neighbourhoods, both secular and Catholic and Protestant primary schools can be found.

TYPES OF EDUCATION

Teaching children can be done in many different ways. Aside from the frequently used classroom teaching approach, there are also schools that employ other teaching methods, such as Montessori, Jenaplan, or Dalton education, or the Waldorf/Steiner (Vrije) School. In this guide, you can see which teaching methods each school employs, and what this entails.

WHAT DOES THE INSPECTORATE OF EDUCATION (ONDERWIJSINSPECTIE) SAY?

All Dutch schools are inspected and evaluated by the Onderwijsinspectie (part of the Ministry of Education, Culture and Science).

On www.onderwijsinspectie.nl/english you can find the reports (in Dutch) in which the results of these inspections are presented. In these reports you can check if the schools meet all the ministry's quality requirements and what their strengths and weaknesses are.

WWW.LEIDEN.NL/ONDERWIJS

Do you want to know more about choosing a school? Looking for a school online? You can get help with your decision on www.leiden.nl/onderwijs.

The website of the Expat Centre Leiden region gives you a lot of information in English as well: www.expatscentreleiden.nl/en/essentials/essential-information/education.

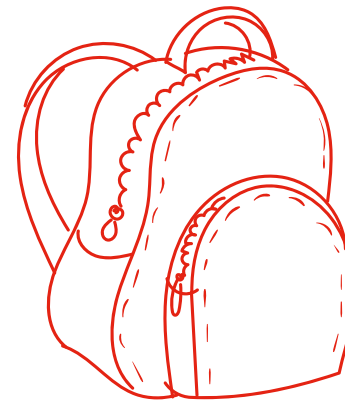


A school in your neighbourhood


there are many advantages to a school that is close to your house. Your child will be in the same school as friends from the neighbourhood, which makes it relaxed and familiar. If classmates want to have playdates after school, it is easier when they live close to each other. If the school is in your neighbourhood, you can also walk your child to school, and older children can make their own way to school at an earlier age. Therefore, we have made this guide in such a way that you can quickly locate all the schools in your neighbourhood.

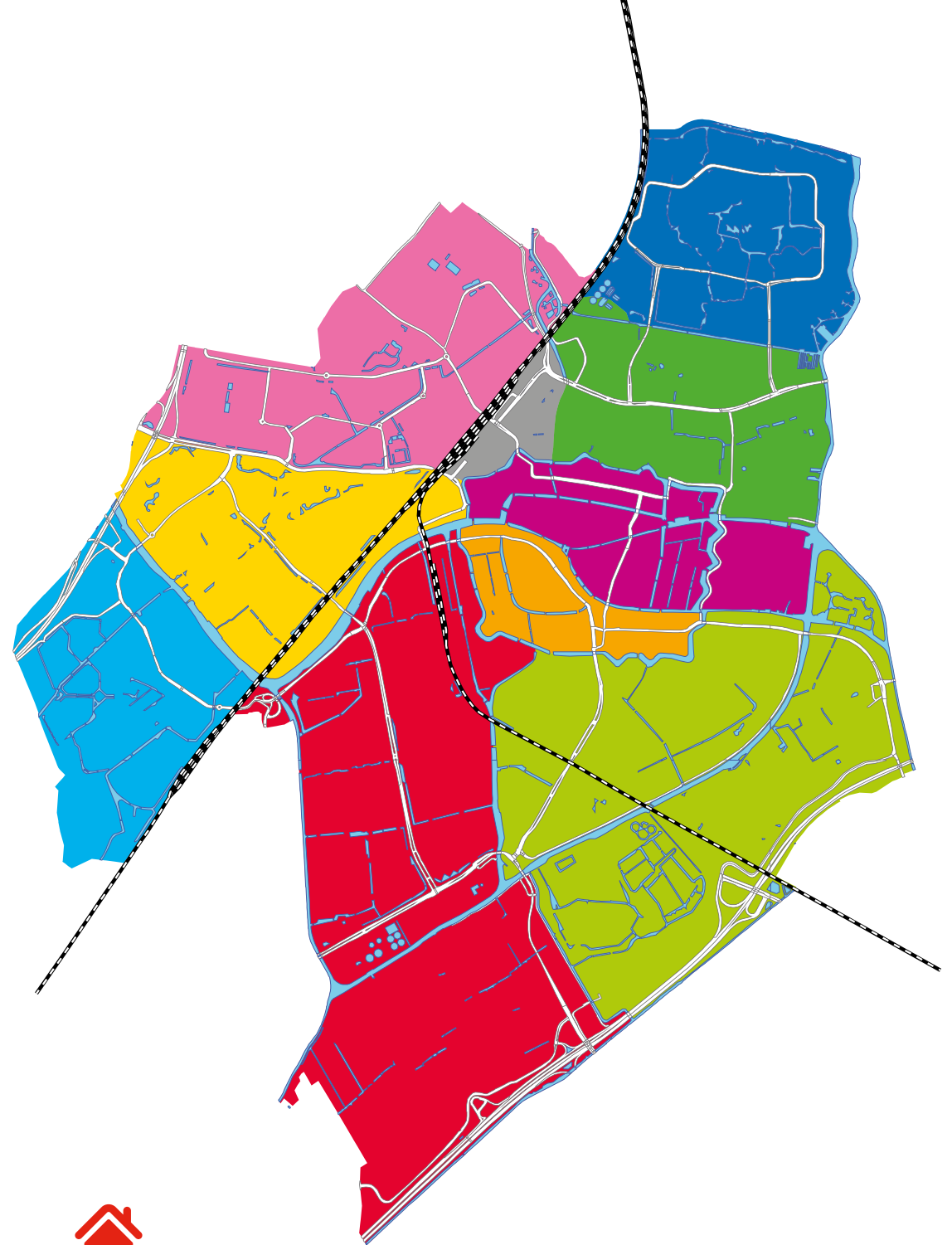
Find the area you live in on the map on the next page. Turn to the pages with the corresponding colour to find the schools located in your neighbourhood.

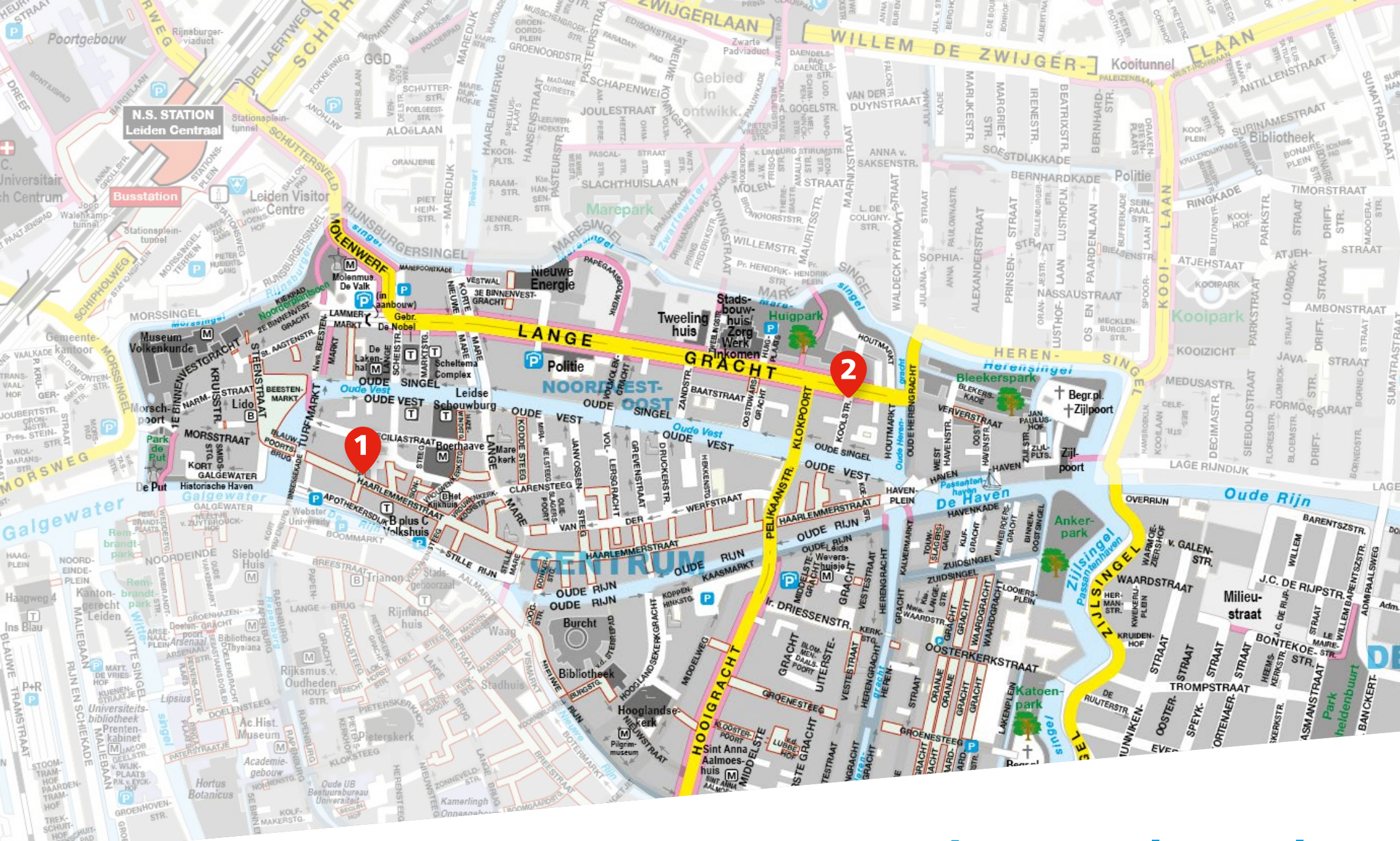
N.B. There are no schools in the Stationsdistrict. Look at the surrounding districts to find a school close to you.



Districts

-  Binnenstad-Noord
-  Binnenstad-Zuid
-  Stationsdistrict
-  Leiden Noord
-  Roodenburgerdistrict
-  Bos- en Gasthuisdistrict
-  Morsdistrict
-  Boerhaavedistrict
-  Merenwijk
-  Stevenshof





Binnenstad-noord



Binnenstad-noord

1. LUCAS VAN LEYDEN (STEEG LOCATION)

De Lucas van Leyden is an inner-city school that literally and figuratively stands in the middle of the community. The society we live in is diverse and De Lucas van Leyden is proud that this school is a reflection of that society.

De Lucas van Leyden offers unique opportunities. From an early age, our pupils grow up together. Not every child develops at the same speed, and every child manifests his or her talents in a different way. One child may have more difficulty with learning, while the other needs more challenges. This also varies for each developmental area. Together with the parents, the school supports every child in their own, broad development.

There is a lot of focus on language acquisition, applied linguistics and arithmetic. World orientation, information processing, English and reading comprehension ensure that a child is equipped with vital knowledge and skills. IT applications provide strong support for pupils' learning in all these subjects.

Motor skills' development and creative development are also not ignored. There are great opportunities to be had in Leiden, and the school makes the most of these by visiting museums, organising sport workshops, celebrating music, and taking part in nature and technology projects.

De Lucas van Leyden provides a clear structure, but at the same time encourages children to be independent.

De Lucas van Leyden: a colourful palette for the future.

De Lucas van Leyden is part of the *Stichting Openbaar Primair en Speciaal Onderwijs Leiden (PROOLEiden)* school board.

Type of school:	Openbaar (= run by a foundation originally set up by the government, non-religious)
Type of education:	Mainstream primary education
Continuous timetable (all children stay for lunch):	Yes
School hours:	8.15am to 2.30pm
Afternoon off:	Wednesday afternoon
More information:	info@lucasvanleyden.nl

Sint Ursulasteeg 28
2312 XA Leiden
071 - 512 29 07
www.lucasvanleyden.nl



2. DE PIONIER

De Pionier is a new and innovative school, which started in January 2017, and currently offers education to groups 1 to 5. The school's motto is: "Learn to use your talents in a world full of challenges".

The school guides the pupils in their journey to discover themselves and the world around them by gathering as much knowledge as possible, acquiring skills and gaining experience.

At De Pionier, children do not only learn from books; they also learn through research, discovery, design, movement, working together, and by using their talents. When acquiring knowledge, the children learn how to combine information from books with information from guest lessons and work visits, through which they build up their own knowledge. Children learn to reflect and to give and receive feedback. De Pionier uses the world around the school intensively by integrating it into pupils' education. The school works closely with various organizations and with parents.

At De Pionier we work in units, in which teachers teach to the children of that unit together. The children receive education at their own level. In addition, the pupils learn to work together with other children from different ages, and they learn with and from each other.

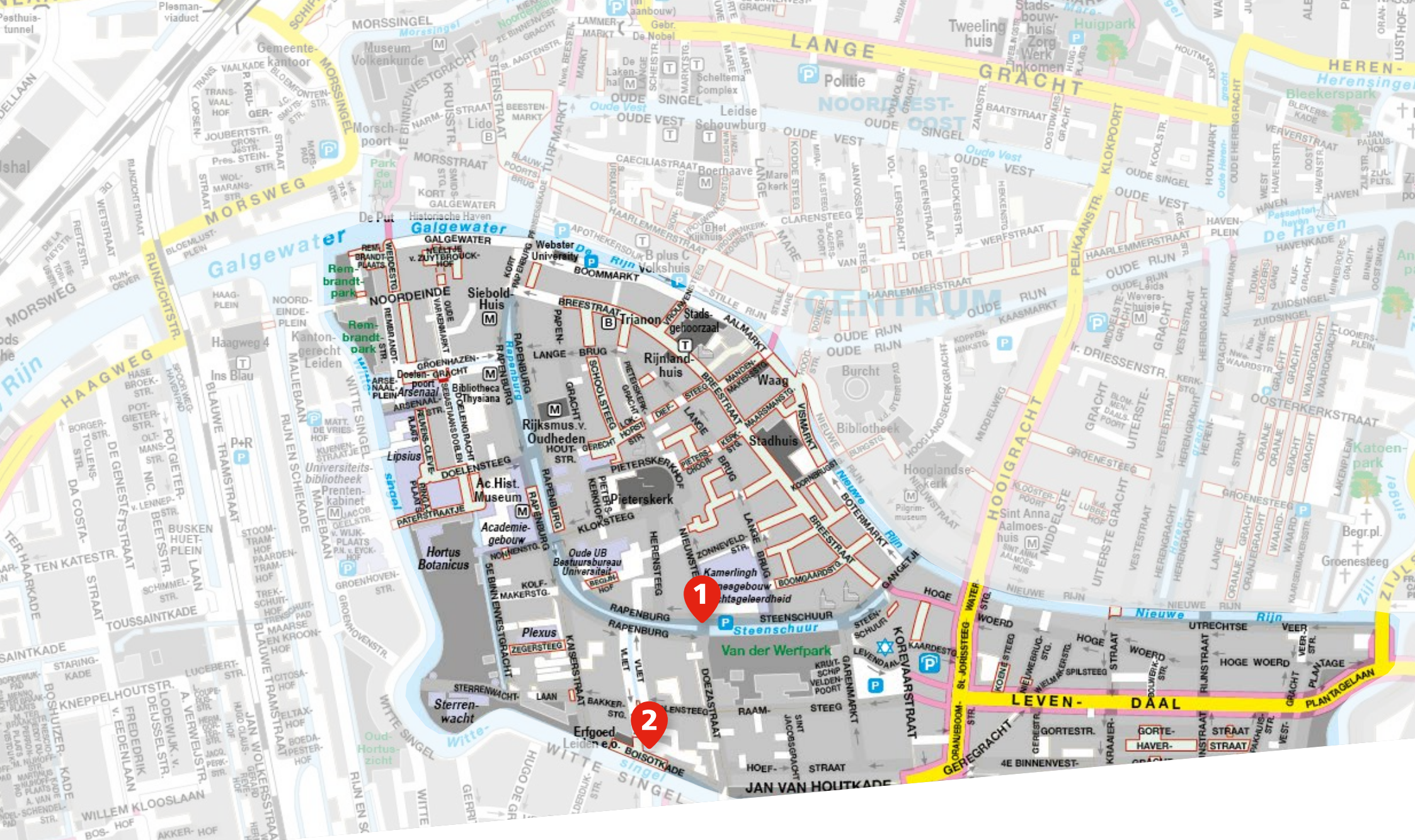
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Continuous timetable	
(all children stay for lunch):	Yes
School hours:	8.15am to 2.30pm
Afternoon off:	Wednesday afternoon from 11:45am
More information:	Between 8.30 am and 4.30pm you may call the headteacher on 071 - 521 88 85, or send an email to info@depionierleiden.nl

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2312 PZ Leiden
071 - 521 88 85

www.depionierleiden.nl





Binnenstad-zuid



Binnenstad-zuid

1. DE HAANSTRA BASISCHOOL

De Haanstraschool dates back to the 19th century. The school is named after Wybrandus Haanstra, an education innovator who was particularly focused on the development of young children. In 1984 the school expanded from a kleuterschool (kindergarten) to a full primary school.

In De Haanstra's current setting you can still find elements from its origins: the school tries to create a good balance between the development of the head (cognition), heart (feeling) and hands (creativity). Attention is paid to social education and development in every class, every day. De Haanstra runs large, thematic workshops, which involve the entire school. The annual school camp is another colourful school tradition.

Type of school:	Special (bijzonder): They have their own board, and no religious affiliation
Type of education:	Mainstream primary education
Continuous timetable (all children stay for lunch):	Yes
School hours:	8.30am to 2.45pm
Afternoon off:	Wednesday from 12.15pm On Thursdays, groups 1 to 3 are off in the afternoons from 12 noon
More information:	For information about the placement and registration of your child it is best to call between 1.00pm and 2.00pm on Thursdays on 071 - 513 36 31. You can also email: info@haanstraschool.nl

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2311 GM Leiden
071 - 513 36 31
www.haanstraschool.nl



2. LUCAS VAN LEYDEN (VLIET LOCATION)

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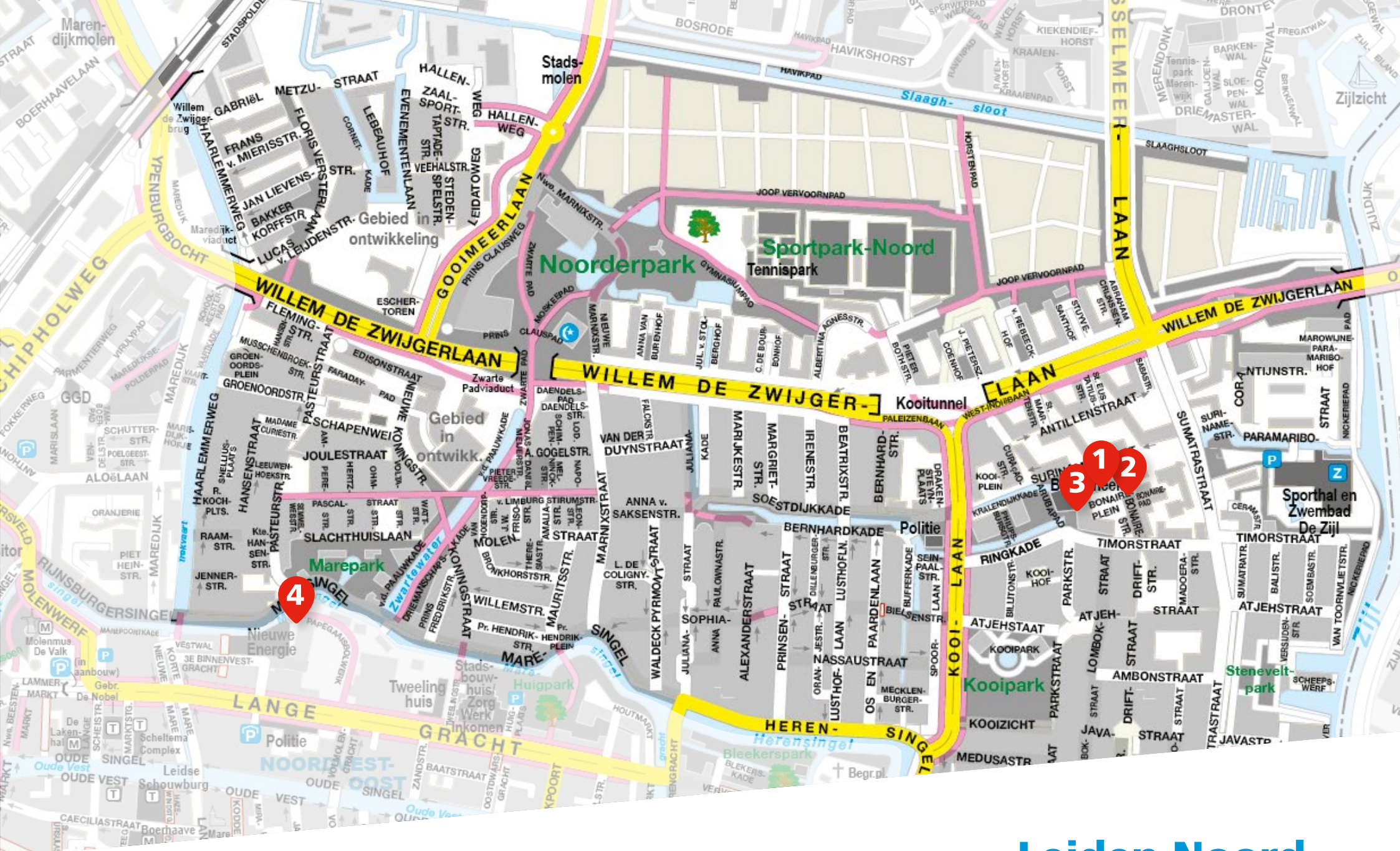
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Type of education:	Mainstream primary education
Continuous timetable	
(all children stay for lunch):	Yes
School hours:	8.30am to 2.45pm
Afternoon off:	Wednesday afternoon
More information:	info@lucasvanleyden.nl

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www.lucasvanleyden.nl





Leiden Noord



Leiden Noord

BREDE (COMMUNITY) SCHOOL HET GEBOUW ('THE BUILDING')

Three primary schools are located here: De Singel, De Springplank and De Viersprong.

A toddler playgroup, health clinic for babies and toddlers (Centrum voor Jeugd en Gezin Midden), library, after-school care and other institutions from Leiden Noord also have their own separate places under the roof of Het Gebouw ('The Building'). The collaboration between schools and other bodies has big advantages for both parents and children.

For example, after school, children can easily take part in various activities, go to childcare, or borrow a book from the library, whilst parents can follow courses and get help from social workers at the same location.

More information: www.hetgebouw.nl



1. DE SINGEL

De Singel is a school where every child has the opportunity to develop him or herself optimally, and where learning with and from each other is important. The school is located in a neighbourhood with a diverse population.

We are aware of the multicultural society in which we live. That is why we think it is essential that children develop their own identity. Who am I, and what are my norms and values? Which traditions did my parents introduce to me? What do I stand for?

What do we stand for:

- De Singel is a **Roman Catholic** school and is part of the *Leiden Confessional Education Foundation*. We pay attention to our identity, but also meet with others to discuss each other's religions. We celebrate Christian holidays, but there is also attention for other religious holidays.
- You will be accepted at De Singel for who you are. In this **safe environment** you make contact with others and can dare to show who you are. Together we ensure a good pedagogical climate.
- In a safe environment, **trust** in each other and yourself is a given. Building upon this trust, we aim to optimise your child's development, together with you as a parent.
- Your child will receive English lessons from group 1.
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Our school has an **International Class** for students between 7-12 years. In this class they learn Dutch in 40 weeks and after that they can start in a regular group at our or another school (if there is a place available) in the neighbourhood of their house. Please contact the headteacher for more information.

Type of school:	Roman Catholic
Type of education:	Mainstream primary education
Continuous timetable	
(all children stay for lunch):	No
School hours:	8.30am to 12 noon 12.45pm to 2.45pm in s year 2014-2015 It is possible to stay at school for lunch. For this, the extra costs in school year 2018-2019 are 50 euros
Afternoon off:	Wednesday from 12:15pm
More information:	Make an appointment with the head-teacher via 071- 521 84 71. You can also email: directie@singelleiden.nl

Bonaireplein 7
2315 HG Leiden
071 - 521 84 71

www.singelleiden.nl



2. DE SPRINGPLANK

We have been in our beautiful school in Het Gebouw for four years now. This building has many facilities, including a beautiful sports hall and a large library. We have already achieved a lot in the past years, but of course will continue to improve and innovate both ourselves and the school.

Our school is a Protestant primary school, belonging to the *Leiden Confessional Education Foundation*. We work together with the toddler playgroup and childcare in order to prepare the children for kindergarten.

Our core values are:

- Children learn because they are curious. We encourage this curiosity by connecting with the educational needs of every child. Education is customised.
- In addition to imparting knowledge, we pay a lot of attention to cultural, creative and physical activities, because we believe that these talents also contribute to the development of your child(ren).
- We invest in positive cooperation and a pleasant atmosphere in the group and at school.
- We enjoy working together with parents/guardians on the development and the well-being of your child(ren).
- At our school we aim to maintain 'tranquillity, cleanliness and regularity'.
- Our school exudes a professional culture.

Type of school:

Protestant

Type of education:

Mainstream primary education

Continuous timetable

(all children stay for lunch): No; many children (90%) stay at school for lunch and eat together with their teacher. During the break, sports and games are offered outside. We ask a financial contribution for this.

School hours:

Groups 1 - 8: 8.30am to 2.45pm

Afternoon off:

Wednesday from 12.15pm

More information:

Between 8am and 5pm you may call the headteacher, Harmanneke Ensing, on 071 - 522 11 10. You can also email: **h.ensing@despringplankleiden.nl**.

Bonaireplein 4
2315 HG Leiden
071- 522 11 10

www.despringplankleiden.nl



3. DE VIERSPRONG

De Viersprong is a school with over 200 pupils from various backgrounds and nationalities. The school's slogan is "Together we speak one language", which means that in every sense the same language is spoken to everyone.

De Viersprong wants to teach children how to learn, has high expectations of its pupils and tries to get them to reach their full potential so they can go forward in an independent and confident way.

All pupils of groups 5 to 8 have their own tablet. In these groups they work with Snappet! The children receive immediate feedback, which allows the teachers to adapt to the differences between the pupils.

De Viersprong wants its pupils to develop into socially adept citizens. Therefore, a lot of time is spent on social skills, rules and routines. In the socio-emotional area, De Viersprong works with various special programmes, such as the 'Positive Behavior Support' (PBS) method, Triple-P (Positive Parenting Program) and KWINK (method for social-emotional development). Based on the core values, behavioural expectations and lessons, we work in all groups on building a positive environment. We have made the same agreements across the entire school.

An Educative Partnership is part of our school's vision. A 'parent contact person' from the school is in touch with all the parents and is involved with various activities with the parents. De Viersprong is part of the Bredeschool Leiden Noord, where education, wellbeing, culture, young people and families come together under one roof.

De Viersprong is part of the *Stichting Openbaar Primair en Speciaal Onderwijs Leiden (PROOLEiden)* school board

Type of school:	Openbaar (= run by a foundation originally set up by the government, non-religious)
Type of education:	Mainstream primary education
Continuous timetable	
(all children stay for lunch):	No
School hours:	Groups 1-2: 8.45 am to 12 noon and 1 pm to 3 pm Groups 3-8: 8.45 am to 12.30 pm and 1.30 pm to 3 pm
Afternoon off:	Wednesday from 12:30 pm
More information:	On Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays you may call the headteacher on 071 - 522 11 27. You can also email: directie@obsviersprong.nl

Bonaireplein 8
2315 HG Leiden
071 - 522 11 27

www.obsviersprong.nl



4. VRIJE SCHOOL MARELAND

Vrije School Mareland and the parents work together on raising our children. The education that we offer our pupils is intended to make children feel at home in our world and in the 21st century. In the Steiner/Waldorf school curriculum, there is a focus on furthering pupils' cognitive capacity, their social-emotional development and motor skills. We offer a wide range of subjects, including zoology, botany, mineralogy, music, drama, eurhythmics and dance, drawing, painting, woodwork and sport (PE).

In Steiner/Waldorf education, the subject matters offered to the children are related to their ages, and offer both knowledge content and support for their personal development and growth. Building self-knowledge and gaining self-confidence in order to be able to deal respectfully with yourself and with others are fundamental principles of our education.

During the lessons and throughout the school years, children are personally guided by their teachers to grow into independent, responsible and articulate citizens that can make a positive contribution to the democratic society that they are part of.

The school has been growing since August 2017. In the end it will grow into six kindergarten classes and 12 primary school classes.

Type of school: Special (bijzonder): They have their own board, and no religious affiliation

Type of education: Steiner/Waldorf education

Continuous timetable

(all children stay for lunch): Yes

School hours: kindergarten classes from 8.25 am to 1 pm

Grades 1-2 (groups 3-4):

Mon, Wed, Fri: 8.25am to 1 pm

Grades 1-2 (groups 3-4):

Tue and Thu to 2.45 pm

Grades 3-6 (groups 5-8):

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri: 8.25 am to 2.45 pm.

Wed to 1 pm

Afternoon off: Wednesdays from 1 pm

More information: info@vsmareland.nl

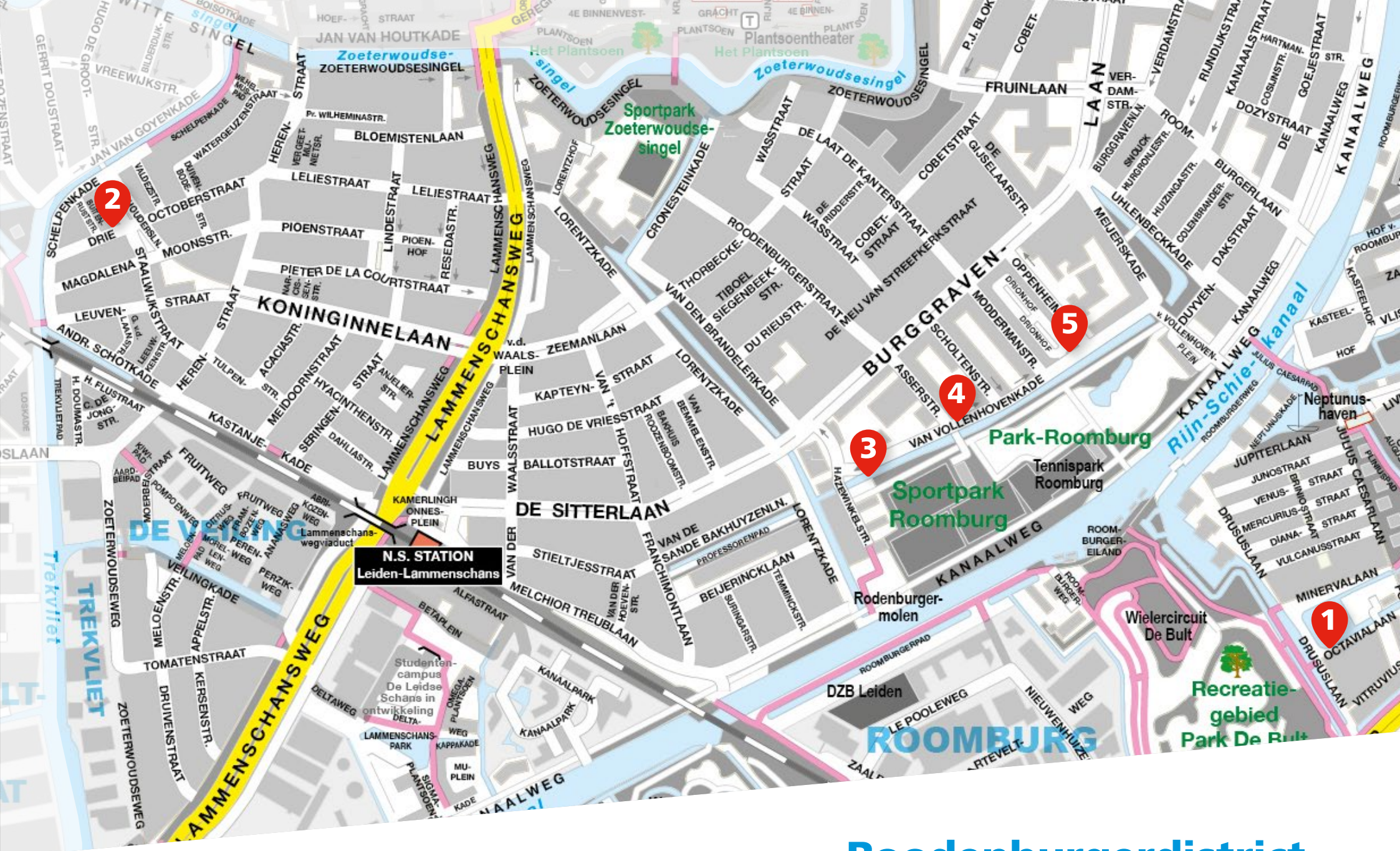
Maresingel 19

2316 HA Leiden

071 - 521 90 15

www.vsmareland.nl





Roodenburgerdistrict



Roodenburgerdistrict

1. BREDE SCHOOL (COMMUNITY SCHOOL) DE ARCADE

What is most important at De Arcade is that the children feel at home, can be who they are, know that they belong and are valued. We have a positive approach to our pupils, coupled with clear agreements and rules. A child can only fully benefit from the possibilities to develop and thus learn if there is a safe environment.

De Arcade is a school:

- where children can learn a lot;
- where learning inside and outside school go together;
- where children have loads of fun;
- that is safe and accessible;
- where children become socially adept and capable.

Lots of lesson time at De Arcade is spent learning facts, concepts and rules. This is essential to understanding subjects such as language, arithmetic, biology and history.

De Arcade is a Brede (Community) School, which is a collaboration between education, childcare and welfare organizations. This means that De Arcade is an essential part of the community and offers children and parents continuity in education, daycare and healthcare, such as before- and after-school care, lunchtime supervision, after-school activities, neighbourhood activities, and sports, health and creative facilities.

De Arcade is part of the *Stichting Openbaar Primair en Speciaal Onderwijs Leiden (PROOLeiden)* school board.

Type of school:

Openbaar (= run by a foundation originally set up by the government, non-religious)

Type of education:

Mainstream primary education. Brede School (Community school)

Continuous timetable

(all children stay for lunch): No. Pupils can stay for lunch upon payment.

School hours:

8.45 am to 3.00 pm

Afternoon off:

Wednesday from 12.30 pm

More information:

Between 8.15 am and 5.00 pm, you may call us on 071 - 522 83 16. You can also email:

info@obsdearcade.nl

Octavialaan 61

2314 BN Leiden

071 - 522 83 16

www.basisschool-de-arcade.nl



2. ER-RISÈLÈH

The Er-Risèlèh stands for high-quality and responsible education. It is a school with order, regularity and space, which gives attention to every child. The school strives to be a learning community where children not only learn, but also develop in terms of self-confidence, self-knowledge and positive behaviour. It works from the basis that all children can learn. The education at the Er-Risèlèh is not limited to school subjects, as attention is also paid to a child's upbringing. Central to this is religious teaching.

Islamic values and norms are taught, so the children can grow into personalities that allow them to fully participate in Dutch society on the basis of their identity. Children are taught in Dutch and the teaching complies with the legal requirements for primary schools.

Type of school:	Islamic
Type of education:	Mainstream primary education
Continuous timetable	
(all children stay for lunch):	Yes
School hours:	Groups 1 to 8: Monday to Thursday from 8:30 am to 3.00 pm Groups 1 to 8: Friday from 8.30 am to 12.00 noon Friday from 12.00 noon
Afternoon off:	
More information:	You can get in touch with the headteacher on 071 - 512 88 50. You can also email directie@ibserriseleh.nl

Stadhouderslaan 1B
2313 AB Leiden
071 - 512 88 50
www.ibs-erriseleh.nl



3. LORENTZSCHOOL

The Lorentzschool ensures that its pupils develop in a broad sense, offering sound education with good results, within a pleasant and safe environment. It is a caring school that offers support to pupils who are advanced in their development (with 'plus classes' and a teacher who is specialised in gifted students) as well as to those pupils who can use a helping hand (with remedial teachers who are specialised in language and arithmetic). Furthermore, the Lorentzschool pays attention to the creative education of the children, with music, art, drama, exhibitions and film. The children go to museums and theatres and the auditorium offers space for its own school musicals and performances by artists. The Lorentzschool is at the forefront of IT. All groups have computers and during school year 2018/2019 three new IT projects have started: 3D printing, media literacy and programming.

The Lorentzschool:

- cares for the broad development of its pupils;
- offers a rich and structured learning environment with the use of IT;
- pays attention to results and the differences between students.

Lorentzschool is part of the *Stichting Openbaar Primair en Speciaal Onderwijs Leiden (PROOLEiden)* school board.

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Type of education:	Mainstream primary education
Continuous timetable	
(all children stay for lunch):	Yes
School hours:	8.45 am to 3.00 pm
Afternoon off:	Wednesday from 12.30 pm
More information:	Between 8.00 am and 3.30 pm you can call one of the school caretakers (conciërges) on 071 - 514 17 77 to make an appointment with a member of the school management. You can also email: info@lorentzschool.nl

Van Vollenhovenkade 17
2313 GG Leiden
071 - 514 17 77
www.lorentzschool.nl



4. JOPPENSZ

Joppensz primary school provides your child with a good education.

We continually ask ourselves what your child's goals are, and how we can reach those goals. Children that need it, including those who are high achievers, are given their own curriculum.

For us it goes without saying that we discuss your child's development with you on a regular basis.

Joppensz is a Christian primary school. Using Bible stories, we talk with the children about the responsibility we have for each other and for the world around us.

The school works together with nursery "de Kinderhaven" and playgroup/ preschool "Kleine Urt". We all have the same vision and approach to children. From 2.00pm, Joppensz gives your child the opportunity to take part in the "Joppensz Exclusief", which is a range of creative and educational activities.

CBS Joppensz is:

- a "Healthy School" (known in Dutch as a "Gezonde school");
- a "KiVa school": focused on socio-emotional development;
- an "IPC school": on a project basis, we work on geography, history and biology in conjunction with creative subjects

Basisschool Joppensz is part of the *Stichting Confessioneel Onderwijs Leiden (SCOL)* school board.

Type of school:

Protestant

Type of education:

Mainstream primary education

Continuous timetable

(all children stay for lunch): Yes

School hours:

8.30 am to 2.00 pm (also on Wednesdays)

More information:

Call 071 - 513 09 58 and ask for the head-teacher, basisschool@joppenszleiden.nl

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2313 GG Leiden
071 - 513 09 58
www.joppenszleiden.nl



5. ST. JOSEPH

Our school's motto is: 'Talented Education for everyone'. With this motto we show that we aim to give our pupils a good foundation for the future, in terms of knowledge, (social) skills and creativity.

That foundation is like a fertile soil for further developing your talent. Children are curious and can start working with us through Learning by Development and Discovery. With the help of cooperative working methods, children learn to work together and to reflect critically on their work. And those are skills that are important in this 21st century!

And what is unique about St Joseph? Space for creative projects, such as the class theatre, themed projects, arts and craft afternoons, and English classes from group 1. At our large school (32 classes), children and parents feel welcome and work very closely with the teachers to make the most of each child's talent.

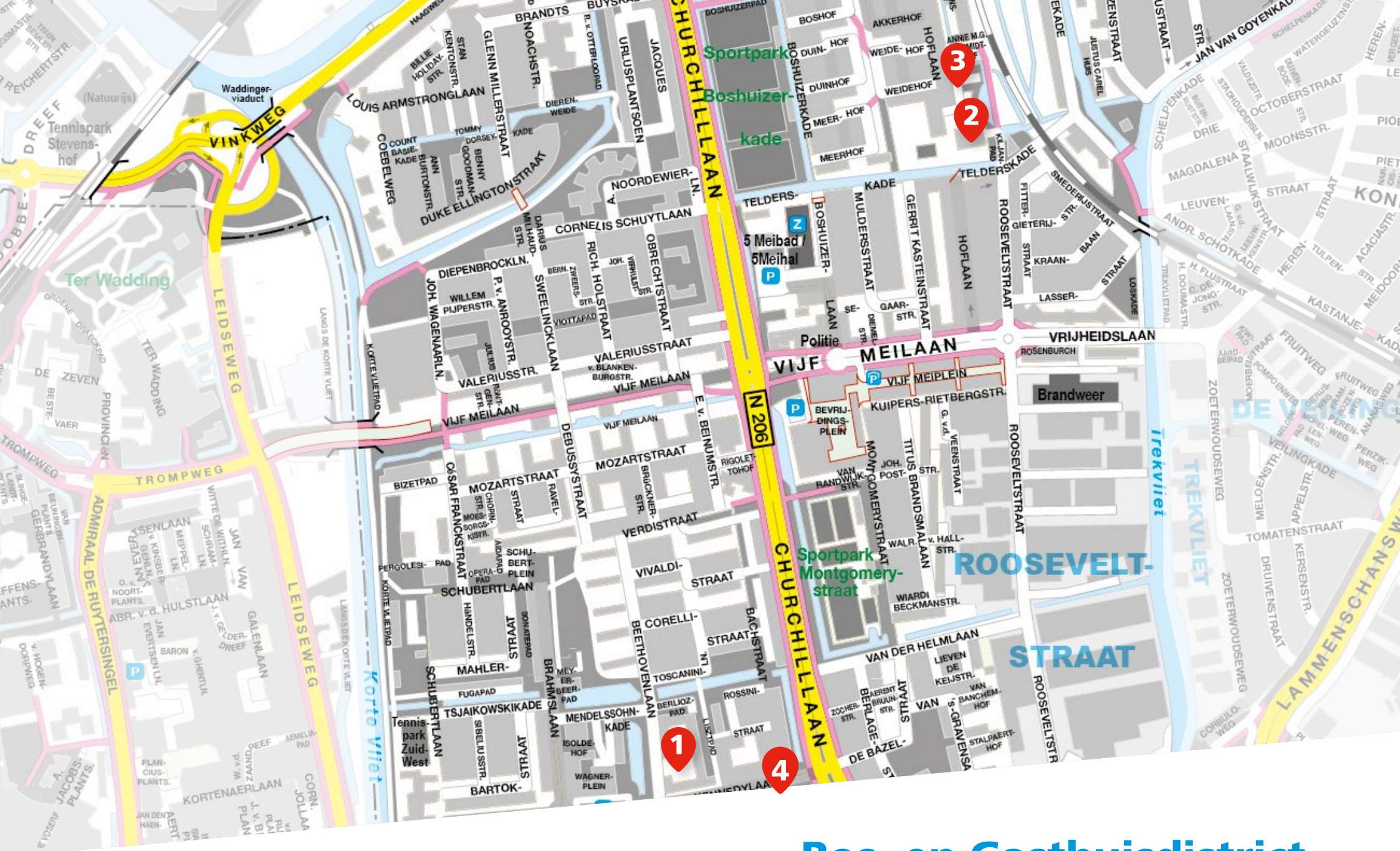
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Due to the growth of St Joseph, SCOL opened a satellite location in August 2019. Here education is designed according to principles that meet the growing needs for customization, individual guidance of students and stimulating education. This education partly takes place outside the school. The satellite location offers thorough primary education, focused on the unique talents of each child in combination with after-school care and childcare, and offers a more flexible holiday schedule.

Type of school:	Roman Catholic
Type of education:	Mainstream primary education
Continuous timetable	
(all children stay for lunch):	No, but 99% of the pupils stay in school for lunch
School hours:	8.45 am to 12.00 noon 12.45 pm to 3.00 pm
Afternoon off:	Wednesday from 12.30 pm
More information:	On weekdays you can call the headteacher between 9.00 am and 5.00 pm on 071 - 513 22 63. You can also email: directie@josephschool.nl

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www.josephschool.nl





Bos- en Gasthuisdistrict



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1. MONTESSORISCHOOL APOLLO

The Montessorischool Apollo is a medium-sized, openbare (= run by a foundation originally set up by the government, non-religious) school and is accessible to all, regardless of cultural, social or ideological background. The school works according to the educational and development principles of Maria Montessori. The core of Montessori education is to create space for a child, so he or she can fully develop into a harmonious and socially conscious person. Building on the original inspiration from Maria Montessori, the Apollo school is continuously developing.

7 reasons to choose Montessori education are that you can see that your child:

- can be active in a safe environment which challenges them to discover new things;
- has the opportunity to develop their own talents and interests;
- enjoys learning, alone and together with others;
- learns how to make choices and plans;
- receives guidance tailored to what he or she is able and wants to do;
- gains positive learning experiences with demonstrably good results;
- can continue to develop him/herself over the years.

Montessori education is taught in heterogeneous groups:

- onderbouw (4-6 years old);
- middenbouw (6-9 years old);
- bovenbouw (9-12 years old).

One of the biggest advantages of the Montessorischool Apollo is the dynamics between the children of different ages, who all learn together and from each other. Apollo is part of the *Stichting Openbaar Primair en Speciaal Onderwijs Leiden (PROOLEiden)* school board.

Type of school:

Openbaar (= run by a foundation originally set up by the government, non-religious)

Type of education:

Montessori

Continuous timetable

(all children stay for lunch): Yes

School hours:

8.30 am to 2.30 pm

Afternoon off:

Wednesday from 12 noon.

More information:

Visit our website:

www.montessorischoolapollo.nl

Ask your question by email:

info@montessorischoolapollo.nl

Call us: 071 - 576 54 39

Strausspad 3
2324 BG Leiden
071 - 576 54 39

www.montessorischoolapollo.nl



2. PC BASISCHOOL DE LEY

Protestant Basisschool De Ley is located on the Kiljanpad in Leiden South-west. We work according to the principles of Dalton education. More and more parents and children are choosing this Type of education, as it fits perfectly with the demands and expectations of our society. We have a clear vision of how we help children to develop into responsible citizens in a democratic society. Dalton is therefore an excellent preparation for their future!

The cornerstones of our education are the following:

- Freedom of choice within a set structure
- Independence
- Cooperation
- Reflection

What does this mean in practice? The children learn to work independently on a task, to take responsibility for their work, and to not always ask the teacher everything, but instead find a good solution by themselves.

Furthermore, they learn how they can work together with other children, and how they can plan their work well. The teacher still teaches, instructs, coaches and guides, but at the same time gives the children the space to find their own solutions.

Every day we see that children are very creative as long as they get the space. This is what makes our education so beautiful.

De Ley is part of the *Stichting Confessioneel Onderwijs Leiden (SCOL)* school board.

Type of school:	Protestant
Type of education:	Dalton
Continuous timetable	
(all children stay for lunch):	No
School hours:	8.30 am to 12 noon 12.45 pm to 2.45 pm
Afternoon off:	Wednesday from 12.15 pm
More information:	Between 8.30 am and 5.00 pm you can call the location manager (locatieleider) on 071 - 572 21 41 or the headteacher on 06 - 37 24 16 64. You can also email: directeur@bsdeley.nl

Kiljanpad 2
2321 SK Leiden
071 - 572 21 41
www.bsdeley.nl



3. LEIMUNDO

World school Leimundo is a small-scale, international, entrepreneurial and ambitious school, with children from across the globe: Spain, Canada, Ireland, Syria, the USA, Poland and 18 other countries! A strong pedagogical policy, a safe atmosphere and an open culture characterize the school. Leimundo has a driven team and excellent management and we place a high value on parent involvement. Language is one of the cornerstones: Leimundo has two Dutch immersion classes (Internationale Schakelklassen) for children of expats and newcomers and a TOP class for children who are the highest achievers. The Dutch immersion classes are for children aged 6 to 12 who have lived in the Netherlands for less than a year and who have little or no command of the Dutch language. The aim is to teach these pupils the language and to acquaint them with Dutch culture and customs, so that they can then move into regular education at Leimundo.

Leimundo offers reinforced English classes from group 1, works together with pupils from primary schools in Newcastle upon Tyne in the UK, and is working on becoming a VVTO school (Early Foreign Language Education).

Leimundo: Paint the world in your own colours!

Leimundo is part of the *Stichting Openbaar Primair en Speciaal Onderwijs Leiden (PROOLEiden)* school board.

Type of school:	Openbaar (= run by a foundation originally set up by the government, non-religious)
Type of education:	Mainstream primary education. Reinforced English. Dutch immersion classes
Continuous timetable (all children stay for lunch):	No, but possible to stay in school over lunch
School hours:	8.30 am to 12.00 noon 1.00 pm to 3.00 pm
Afternoon off:	Wednesday from 12.15 pm
More information:	Between 9.00 am and 5.00 pm you can call the headteacher on 071 - 572 42 42. You can also email: info@leimundo.nl

Hoflaan 80
2321 TA Leiden
071 - 572 42 42
www.leimundo.nl



4. DE ASTRONAUT

De Astronaut is a new and innovative primary school. From September 2019, De Astronaut is teaching pupils aged 4, 5 and 6 (groups 1 - 3). Older children can be enrolled from school year 2020-2021 onwards.

The motto of De Astronaut is: "Together on a journey of discovery". We have shaped our education around the principles related to a growing need for customisation, individual support of pupils, and active education. This education partly takes place outside of the school. De Astronaut delivers solid primary education, focused on the unique talents of each child in combination with after-school care.

Together: We start the day together in a quiet way, and we work together on developing and expanding the basic and social skills.

Discover: We discover how the children prefer to work. One child likes to work in a work book, the next one prefers physical movements, and the third child likes to use their hands. When working through the subject materials, we align with these preferences.

Journey: We value education outside of school. This is why we often take the children outside, related to the theme we are exploring at that moment.

De Astronaut is part of the Stichting Confessioneel Onderwijs Leiden (SCOL) school board.

Type of school

Roman Catholic

Type of education

Mainstream primary education

Continuous timetable

(all children stay for lunch): Yes.

The pupils eat together with their teacher.

School hours:

8.30-15.30

Afternoon off:

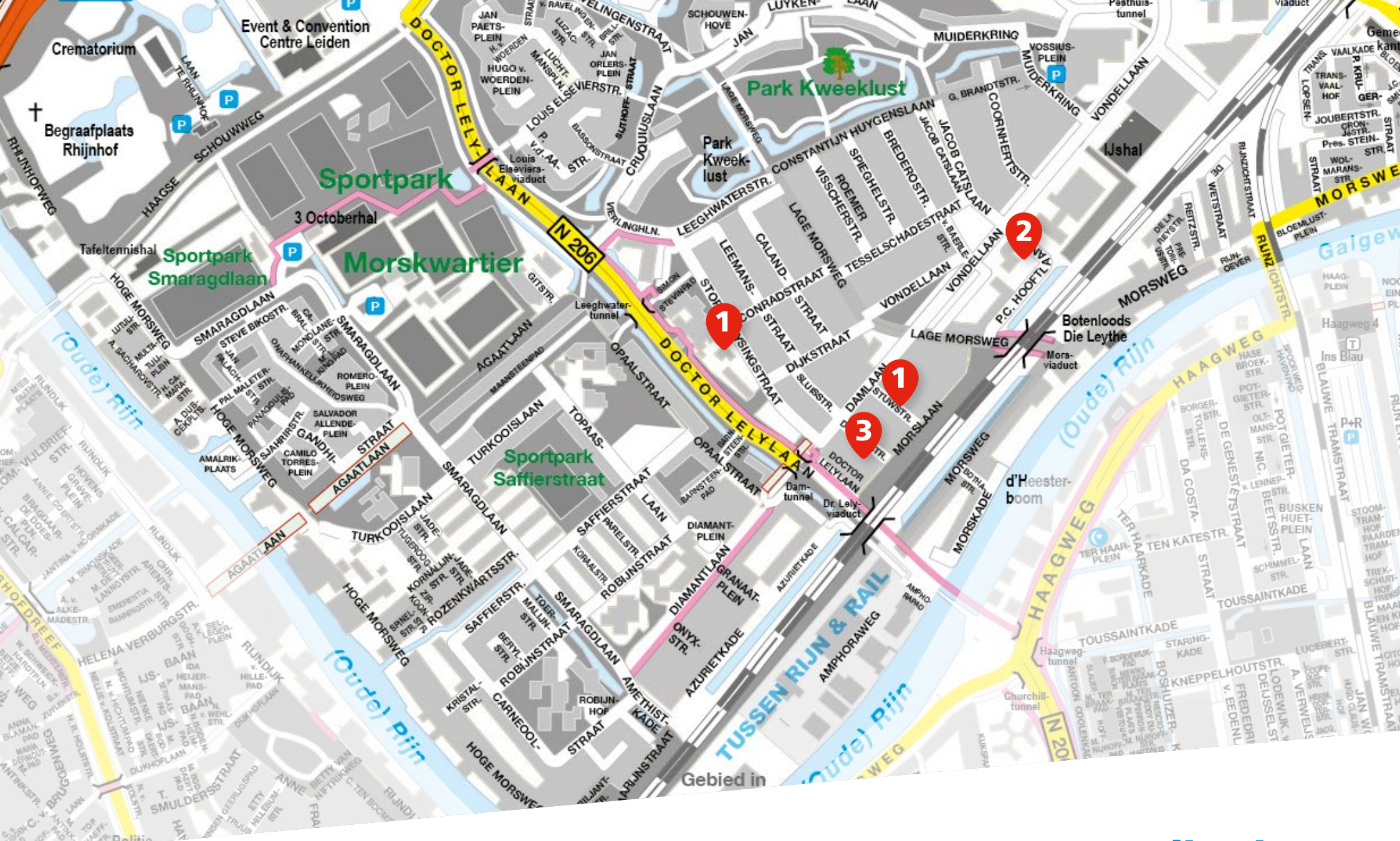
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More information:

Maaïke Honders,
headteacher, 071 – 2036044,
email: m.honders@deastronaut.nl



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2324 ER Leiden
Phone: 071-2036044
www.deastronaut.nl



Morsdistrict



Morsdistrict

1. DE MORSKRING

De Morskring is an openbare (= run by a foundation originally set up by the government, non-religious) primary school in de Mors, which prides itself on its excellent atmosphere. All pupils aged 4-12 are welcome, regardless of their origin or background. Measured by the educational level of the parents, the population of the school is very mixed.

Our intention:

Knowledge transfer and broad development are central to our challenging learning environment. The school offers the skills that today's society demands from children. The pupils discover their own interests, make choices and make their voices heard. We learn and we do it together!

Our core principles:

(in) movement – safety – child-centred – trust - knowledge

Children in the Netherlands grow up in a rapidly changing, multicultural society. This requires critical, social, independent and creative people. People who are able to work together and who can bring shape and substance to their lives. In addition, it is important that these people feel happy, spend their (spare) time in a meaningful way and do not allow themselves to be driven by the rapidly changing society. They should value creativity and exercise as much as, for example, mathematics, and should not only think about themselves but also show concern for others. In addition to intellectual and technological skills, the school therefore devotes a great deal of attention to social skills, orientation to society and citizenship.

De Morskring: together we move towards the future!

Morskring is part of the *Stichting Openbaar Primair en Speciaal Onderwijs Leiden (PROOLEiden)* school board.

Type of school:	Openbaar (= run by a foundation originally set up by the government, non-religious)
Type of education:	Mainstream primary education
Continuous timetable	
(all children stay for lunch):	No
School hours:	8.45 am (doors open from 8.30 am) to 12.00 noon. 1.15 pm to 3.15 pm
Afternoon off:	Wednesday from 12.15 pm
More information:	Between 9.00 am and 3.30 pm you can call the headteacher at the Dam location on 071 - 576 08 52, or the deputy headteacher at the Storm location on 071 - 576 08 53. You can also email: directie@morskring.nl

Main location: Dam
Damlaan 1
2332 XG Leiden
071 - 576 08 52
Location Storm:
Storm Buysingstraat 18A
2332 VW Leiden
071 - 576 08 53
www.morskring.nl



2. E.L.S.

De Eerste Leidse Schoolvereniging: 'Here for each other for the last 90 years!'

As Eerste Leidse Schoolvereniging (E.L.S.) we believe it is important that, later in life, our former pupils can look back upon a nice time at primary school, and we do our utmost to ensure that. We create a safe environment and place a lot of importance on having a good atmosphere in the classroom. The E.L.S., where many children with an international background have found a place, ensures the development of each individual pupil, but has never deviated from providing classroom education. In this education, we have always delivered a solid foundation by teaching our pupils how to read, write and do arithmetic well, and this has proven to be a successful formula.

In addition, the E.L.S. is a modern school with modern teaching materials where the (specialised) teachers for sport and music work with great enthusiasm in accordance with modern pedagogical insights.

Type of school:	Special (bijzonder), They have their own board; Neutral in terms of religion
Type of education:	Mainstream primary education
Continuous timetable	
(all children stay for lunch):	Yes
School hours:	8.30 am to 3.00 pm
Afternoon off:	Wednesday from 12.15 pm.
More information:	Between 8.30 am and 2.00 pm you can call the admin staff on 071 - 576 52 66. You can also email: administratie@eersteleidseschool.nl

P.C. Hoofthoek 12
2332 AX Leiden
071- 576 52 66

www.eersteleidseschool.nl



3. PACELLISCHOOL

De Pacellischool is a small and close-knit school in de Mors. In 2018, our school building was completely renovated and adapted to modern requirements. In the morning we work on the basic subjects, with a focus on reading and arithmetic. For reading we work with a motivational reading method, as pleasure in reading makes the children read well and keep on reading. Because we want to teach the children a large degree of independence, we give them daily and weekly tasks. In the afternoon we work on world orientation subjects. We take the vision of Multifaceted Intelligence as a guideline, using the 4KeerWijzer method.

The Pacelli school is what is known as a Peaceful (Vreedzame) School. This means we pay attention to the way in which we treat each other and our surroundings. With this approach, the children learn to solve difficult situations independently and in a respectful way.

We believe it is important that our children feel both safe and acknowledged at our school. We motivate parents to be involved, as this has a positive influence on their children's development. Moreover, we teach English to all groups, so that children learn the language early through play.

Pacelli is part of the *Stichting Confessioneel Onderwijs Leiden (SCOL)* school board.

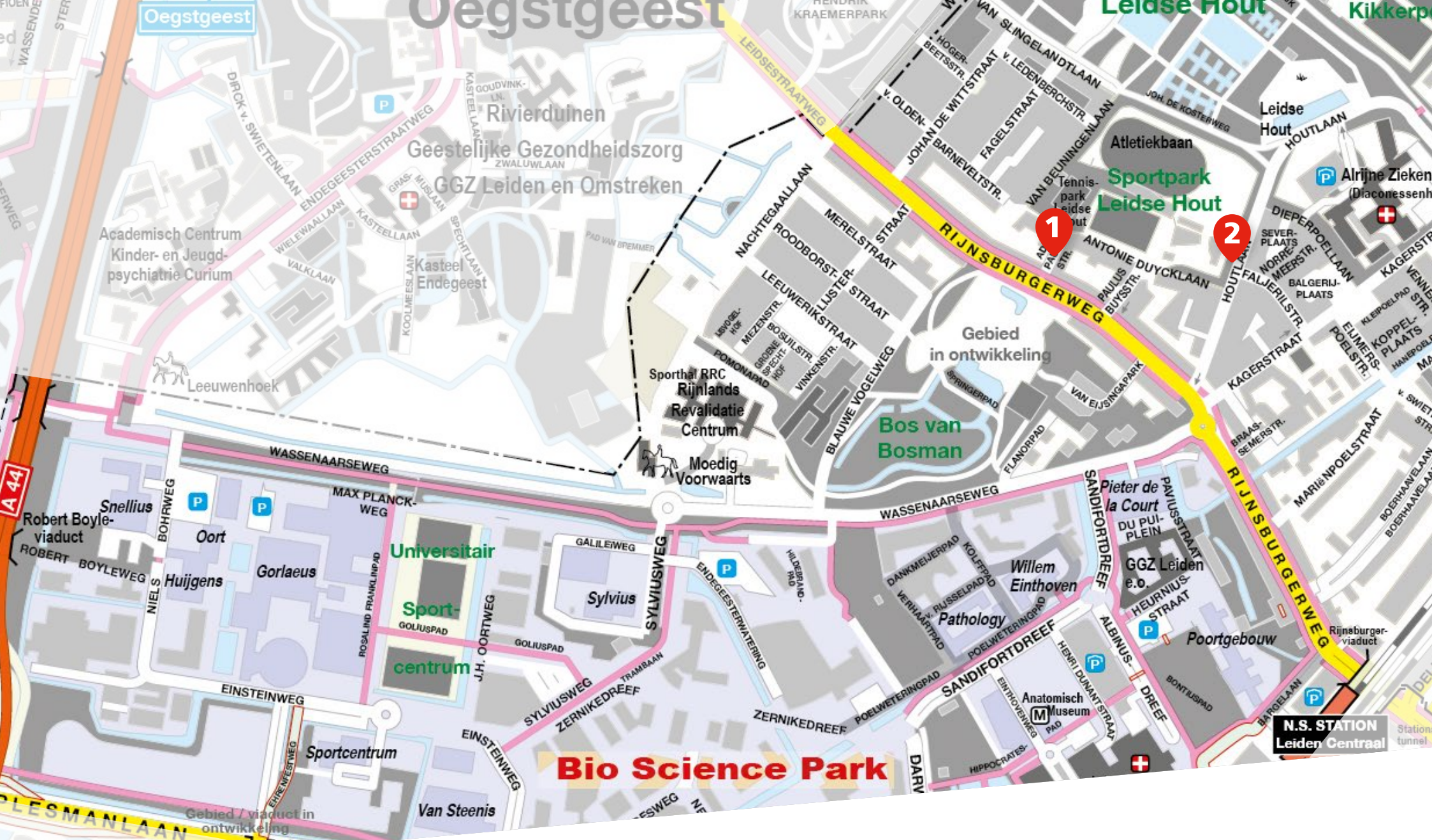
We impart our Catholic faith through themes connected to Catholic holidays, and by interacting respectfully with each other. If you look at our website, you will get a good idea of our active school. Together we learn more! Welcome to the Pacelli school!

Type of school:	Roman Catholic
Type of education:	Mainstream primary education
Continuous timetable	
(all children stay for lunch):	No, but it's possible to pay for your child to stay for lunch
School hours:	8.30 am to 12.00 noon 1.00 pm to 3.00 pm
Afternoon off:	Wednesday from 12.15 pm
More information:	Between 8.00 am and 5.30 pm you can call the headteacher on 071 - 576 08 58. You can also email: pacelli@scoleiden.nl

Damlaan 22
2332 XH Leiden
071 - 576 08 58

www.pacellischool.nl





Boerhaavedistrict



Boerhaavedistrict

1. DE LEIDSE HOUTSCHOOL

De Leidse Houtschool is located in a safe and relaxed neighbourhood on the outskirts of Leiden. It is a school with an open Christian character, and is part of the *Stichting Confessioneel Onderwijs Leiden (SCOL)* school board. The school has a friendly and safe atmosphere so children can learn in a relaxed manner. Besides acquiring skills and enlarging their knowledge, the children learn to develop their self-confidence, self-knowledge and positive behaviour towards others.

All pupils are placed in classes with children of the same age. In the morning, we focus on the basic skills of arithmetic, reading, language and writing. In the afternoon, we work with the International Primary Curriculum (IPC).

This offers room to work at different levels that suit the development of each individual child.

The Leidse Houtschool uses Chromebooks to teach the children IT skills. We also work with Snappets, which are tablets on which the children process the subject matters in a digital way. In addition, we use new methods for the various subjects that are taught at our school. We have nine groups with a maximum group size of 28 students.

Type of school:	Protestant
Type of education:	Mainstream primary education
Continuous timetable	
(all children stay for lunch):	No
School hours:	8.45 am to 12.00 noon and from 1.00 pm to 3.15 pm
Afternoon off:	Wednesday from 12.30 pm
More information:	071 - 519 08 08. You can also email: info@leidsehoutschool.nl

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2334 CG Leiden
071 - 519 08 08
www.leidsehoutschool.nl



2. WOUTERTJE PIETERSE

The Woutertje Pieterse stands out thanks to the quality of its education, its mentality and the atmosphere in the school. The main aim of our education is to ensure that children enjoy going to school, which is, next to creating an atmosphere of safety, calmness and regularity, vital for them to reach their full potential.

Together with parents, the Woutertje Pieterse aims to prepare children as much as possible for their future roles as responsible, critical and active citizens in our society.

The vision of the school consists of five statements:

1. Every child is welcome at our school.
2. Our education is innovative and modern in terms of content, didactics and methods.
3. A child's capabilities are the point of departure for the learning and development process.
4. Our staff are professionals who develop and maintain their expertise.
5. Parents and the school jointly do their best for the development of their children.

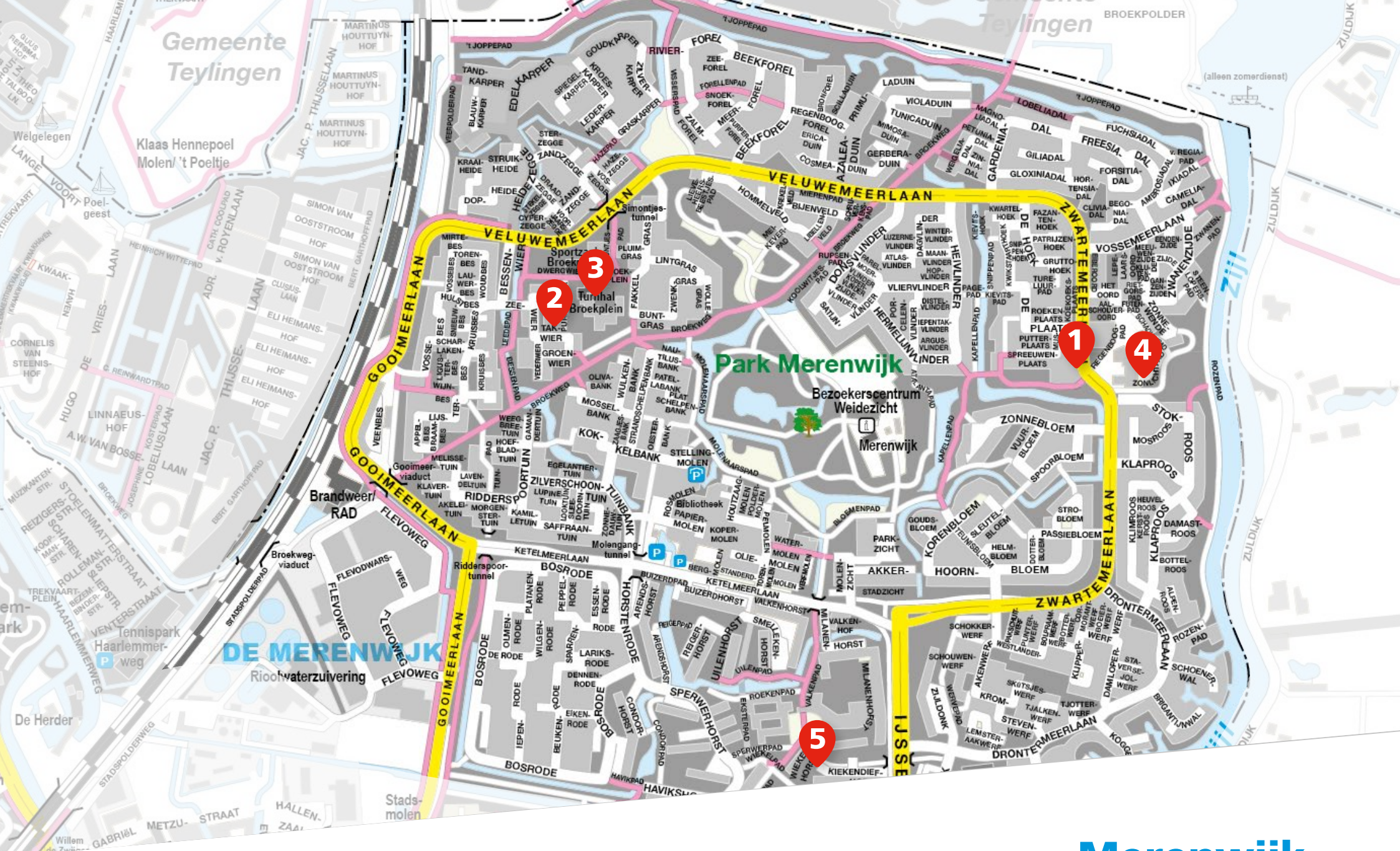
Woutertje Pieterse is part of the *Stichting Openbaar Primair en Speciaal Onderwijs Leiden (PROOLEiden)* school board.

Type of school:	Openbaar (= run by a foundation originally set up by the government, non-religious)
Type of education:	Mainstream primary education
Continuous timetable	
(all children stay for lunch):	Yes
School hours:	8.30 am to 2.45 pm
Afternoon off:	Wednesday from 12.15pm
More information:	info@woutertjepieterse.nl

Houtlaan 60
2334 CL Leiden
071 - 515 49 03

www.woutertjepieterse.nl





Merenwijk



Merenwijk

1. DE DUKDALF

De Dukdalf is a Jenaplan school but with a rhythmic week plan, which entails a variation of four important pedagogic activities, namely discussion, work, play and celebration. The Jenaplan concept means working with mixed-age learner groups (stamgroepen): children of different ages are in the same group. We strive towards the total development of pupils' characters, in accordance with the motto 'You learn with your head, your hands and your heart'. The pupils work on challenging problems that fit with their development, and do activities that you also come across in society. The learning process is guided and steered by the teacher. As much as possible, the approach taken with a pupils is aligned with his or her individual abilities. That is why we have developed a Child Centre, to guide students from 0 to 12 years in the blossoming of their talents.

Ten convictions that are crucial for De Dukdalf:

1. Through alternating the fundamental activities of discussion, play, work and celebration, children's development is both faster and better.
2. Every child is unique and takes part.
3. Learning is about more than achievement alone.
4. By learning with and from each other you learn more than is prescribed by the curriculum.
5. Living together means sharing together.
6. World orientation is learning through experience and wonder.
7. Our children distinguish themselves in their self-awareness and self-knowledge.
8. Parents/guardians are our partners in realising a challenging education and a good school life.
9. The teacher does not always know best.
10. We don't have the right answer to many questions.

De Dukdalf is part of the *Stichting Openbaar Primair en Speciaal Onderwijs Leiden (PROOLEiden)* school board.

Type of school:	Openbaar (= run by a foundation originally set up by the government, non-religious)
Type of education:	Jenaplan. English classes from group 1. Internationalisation projects with the pupils
Continuous timetable (all children stay for lunch):	Yes
School hours:	8.45 am to 3.00 pm
Afternoon off:	Wednesday from 12.15 pm
More information:	Between 8.45 am and 4.00 pm you can call the headteacher on 071- 521 55 07. You can also email: obs@dukdalf-leiden.nl

Regenboogpad 7
2317 XK Leiden
071- 521 55 07
www.dukdalf-leiden.nl



2. DE MEERPAAL

De Meerpaal's vision

The society of today and of the future needs children who can deal with questions, and come up with answers in a creative way. Creativity in the broadest sense of the word can be nurtured and developed. De Meerpaal offers education in a realistic, contemporary, inspiring and socially involved way, to develop children's knowledge and their creative side.

De Meerpaal is a school:

- where every child feels comfortable and safe;
- with room and attention for every child;
- that attaches importance to order and regularity;
- that, next to intellectual development, attaches great importance to the socio-emotional and creative development of children;
- encourages an independent working and learning attitude of every child and helps them develop further.

De Meerpaal is part of the *Stichting Openbaar Primair en Speciaal Onderwijs Leiden (PROOLEiden)* school board.

Type of school:

Openbaar (= run by a foundation originally set up by the government, non-religious)

Type of education:

Mainstream primary education

Continuous timetable

(all children stay for lunch): Yes

School hours:

8.45 am to 3.00 pm

Afternoon off:

Wednesday from 12.15 pm

More information:

Between 8.45 am and 4.00 pm you can call the headteacher on 071 - 522 02 43.

You can also email: **directie@meerpaal.net**

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2318 TJ Leiden
071 - 522 02 43
www.meerpaal.net



3. DE TWEEMASTER

The core values of ownership, respect, responsibility, safety and orientation to the future are the common thread in our education and in how we treat one another. To support this, we have made a school-wide agreement according to the PBS (Positive Behaviour Support) method. Modern society requires a high degree of independence and personal responsibility from our children. Ownership is very important here. By learning through research and development, children become the owners of their own learning process. Our offer is tailor-made as much as possible, and is thus diverse: extra support for those who need it, and broadening and deepening for the students who can handle it. De Tweemaster has a Plus class for children who go through the materials faster.

All children receive English classes from group 1.

We offer a challenging and safe learning environment and do everything we can to get the best results!

De Tweemaster is part of the *Stichting Confessioneel Onderwijs Leiden school board (SCOL)*. SCOL's core values of trust, solidarity and wonder match with the core values of our school.

Type of school:

Roman Catholic

Type of education:

Mainstream primary education

Continuous timetable

(all children stay for lunch): No, but all children may stay for lunch.

At 12.00 noon they eat lunch in their own class room, and then play under supervision. The cost is €1.40 per day.

School hours:

8.30 am – 12.00 noon

1.00 pm – 3.00 pm

Afternoon off:

Wednesday from 12.15 pm

More information:

Look at the website **detweemaster.nl**

or make an appointment with Marlieke Leeuwenburgh (headteacher) on

071 - 522 02 39,

mleeuwenburgh@detweemaster.com

Broekplein 1

2318 TJ Leiden

071 - 522 02 39

www.tweemasterleiden.nl



4. DE ZIJLWIJKSCHOOL

Groups 1 to 4 are located on the Schaduwpad, and groups 5 to 8 on the Regenboogpad (same building, only a different address). The Zijlwijkschool is part of the Stichting Confessioneel Onderwijs Leiden (SCOL) school board.

The Zijlwijk school is a school “with both feet on the ground” in the Merenwijk district. We realise that the world around us is changing at a rapid pace. Many jobs that our students will get later on don’t even exist yet, so we adapt our education to that reality.

“Twenty-first century skills” are our starting point, in which the child’s talents such as thinking, doing and acting take the lead. Not only are subject-related knowledge and skills important, but also working together and taking responsibility.

We want children to be able to reflect, which in our experience gives them self-confidence and self-knowledge, and ensures positive behaviour.

Special features: English from group 1 (Early Bird school), internationalisation projects Erasmus +.

Type of school:	Protestant
Type of education:	Mainstream primary education
Continuous timetable (all children stay for lunch):	No
School hours:	8.45 am to 12.00 1.15 pm to 3.15 pm
Afternoon off:	Wednesday from 12:15 pm
More information:	You can call Jan Westerbeek (headteacher) on 071 - 523 34 24. You can also email: jan.westerbeek@zijlwijkschool.nl

Regenboogpad 1
2317 XK Leiden
Schaduwpad 1
2317 VX Leiden
071 - 523 34 24

www.zijlwijkschool.nl



5. BREDESCHOOL (COMMUNITY SCHOOL) MERENWIJK

Bredeschool Merenwijk is a multicultural school with children of 22 different nationalities.

And it is a true local school: all children live in the neighbourhood. The school has two international groups for children between 6 and 12 years old who come from abroad and do not (yet) speak Dutch.

Merenwijk is a Brede (Community) School. Together with various partners, including the Stedelijk Gymnasium (Grammar School), SPL (Foundation for the toddler playgroups in Leiden) and JES Rijnland (Foundation for Youth and Society) we have a broad offering to ensure that children can reach their full potential. Merenwijk is also a Vreedzame (Peaceful) school, which means people taking responsibility for themselves, resolving conflicts themselves, taking account of each other and creating a spirit of togetherness.

Vision:

As a student at Merenwijk you learn that you know what you can do, know what you want and know what you are worth. You challenge yourself and know yourself and your talents better than anyone. Calmness, space and rhythm are key concepts.

Mission: 'Learning is a journey to the future'.

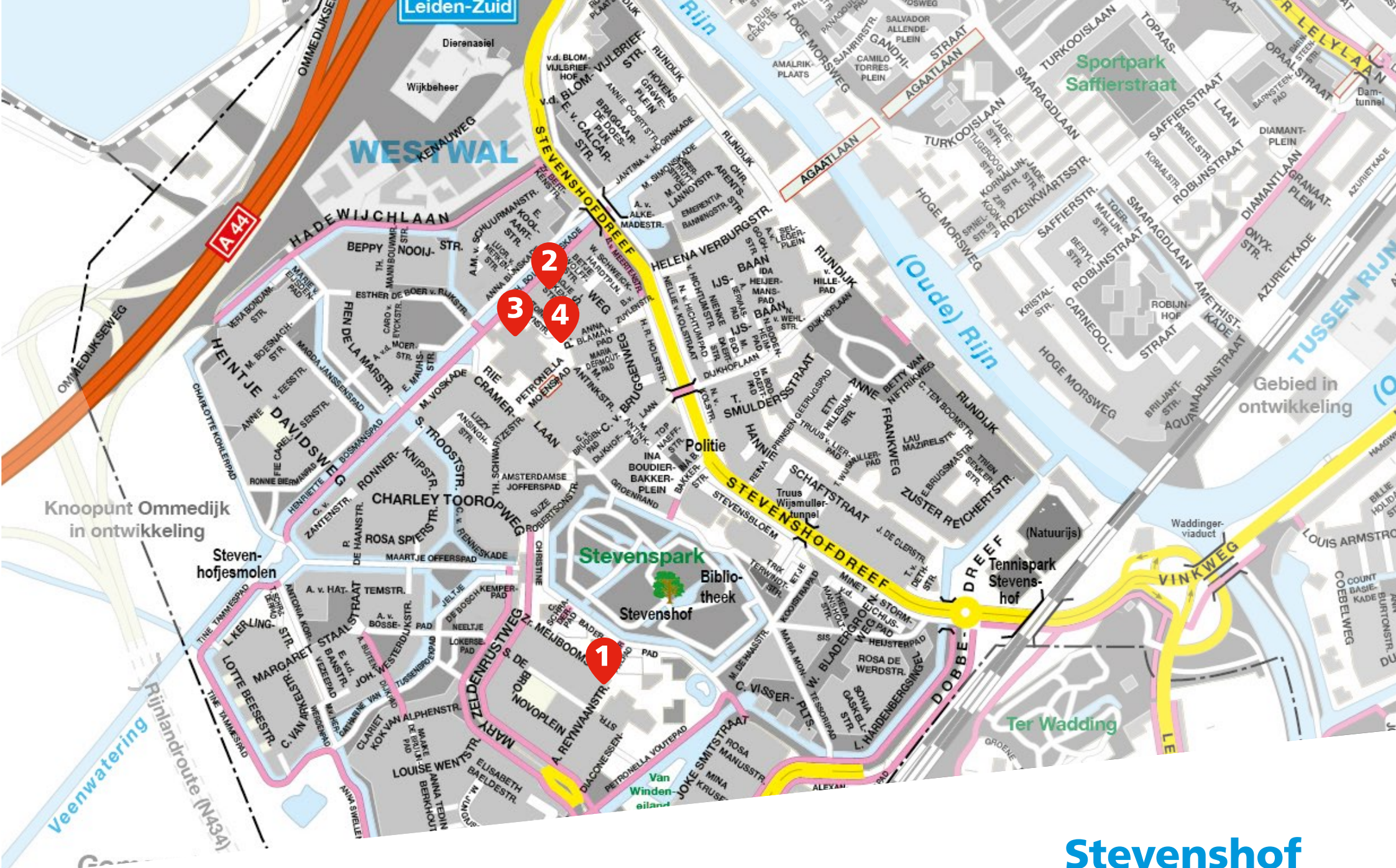
Merenwijk is part of the Stichting Openbaar Primair en Speciaal Onderwijs Leiden (PROOLEiden) school board.

Type of school:	Openbaar (= run by a foundation originally set up by the government, non-religious)
Type of education:	Mainstream primary education with two international departments
Continuous timetable: (all children stay for lunch)	Yes
School hours;	8.30 am to 2.00 pm (five equal days model)
Afternoon of:	Wednesday from 12.15 pm
More information:	You can phone the headteacher on 071 - 521 35 50. You can also email: directie@bredeschoolmerenwijk.nl

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2317 AN Leiden
071 - 521 35 50

www.bredeschoolmerenwijk.nl





Stevenshof



Stevenshof

1. ANNE FRANK SCHOOL

Anne Frank School is known for its well-structured and supportive education. We cater for all levels: not only children that have difficulties with learning, but also highly intelligent and highly gifted children. The school has three groups for gifted pupils to receive suitable education according to 'Nova Education' ('Nova-Onderwijs'). Additionally, Anne Frank School has a clear protocol for looking after children with learning and/or behavioural issues. Aside from cognitive development, the school focuses a lot on every child's socio-emotional and creative development.

Children at the school often work independently. With the help of daily and weekly tasks the pupils know what they are supposed to work on that day or week.

Anne Frank School is a "Leader in Me school", where we work with everyone on personal leadership according to the 7 habits by Stephen Covey. The school believes that a warm pedagogical climate is essential, and does everything it can to ensure that children can be themselves, feel secure and respect each other, regardless of the differences between them. Good childcare facilities are also offered by the school, with several partners offering before- and after-school care, and there is good supervision for children that stay for lunch.

The vision of Anne Frank School is: 'Together you can do more, so work together, play together and learn together!'

Anne Frank School is part of the Stichting Openbaar Primair en Speciaal Onderwijs Leiden (PROOLEiden) school board.

Type of school Openbaar:	(= run by a foundation originally set up by the government, non-religious)
Type of education:	Mainstream primary education, with a special 'Nova department' ('Nova-afdeling') for gifted children
Continuous timetable:	
(all children stay for lunch)	No (but we offer the possibility to stay for lunch)
School hours:	8.30 am to 3.00 pm
Afternoon off:	Wednesday from 12.00 noon
More information:	Between 9.00 am and 4.30 pm you can call the headteacher on 071-531 83 88. You can also email: directie@annefrankleiden.nl

Zuster Meijboomstraat 2
2331 PD Leiden
071 - 531 83 88
www.annefrankleiden.nl



2. DE STEVENSHOF

De Stevenshof is a relaxed and united school. The motto is: 'A school which you enjoy going to, where you feel safe and can learn a lot. A school where you are respected for who you are.' In order to put these fundamental concepts – relaxed atmosphere, respect for each other and a nice working environment – into practice, the school has clear rules and agreements in place. The team from De Stevenshof try to offer the children a nice place where they feel safe to develop emotionally, socially and cognitively. To do so, they take into account the capabilities and talents of every child.

De Stevenshof works with the GIP model, which stands for Group-focused Individual Pedagogic and didactic approach. Working independently, autonomy, and 'deferred attention' (working on something else whilst waiting for help) are the central tenets of this model. Education is not only limited to the subjects themselves, but the children are also taught to work together. The school wants to impart norms and values to the children and give them self-confidence in their own abilities. For many years, the school has had an 'extension class' ('Plusklas') to offer extra challenges to the gifted pupils in groups 5-8. Children in groups 5-8 with a flair for languages can also take Spanish lessons. Additionally, De Stevenshof pays extra attention to technology and science and works every year with all groups on an art theme.

De Stevenshof is part of the Stichting Openbaar Primair en Speciaal Onderwijs Leiden (PROOLEiden) school board.

Type of school:

Openbaar (= run by a foundation originally set up by the government, non-religious)

Type of education:

Mainstream primary education

Continuous timetable

(all children stay for lunch) No, but possible to stay for lunch

School hours:

8.30 am to 12.00 noon and 1 pm to 3 pm

Afternoon off:

Wednesday from 12.30 pm

More information:

Between 8.00am and 5.00pm you can call the headteacher on 071 - 531 51 09.

You can also

email: directie@obsdestevenshof.nl

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2331 DV Leiden

071 - 531 51 09

www.obsdestevenshof.nl



3. DE ZWALUW

Our mission is: "Learn to fly with your own wings".

At De Zwaluw, a child gets the tools he or she needs to lead a confident, independent and responsible life.

As a Kanjerschool (school that gives lessons on creating and maintaining a good classroom atmosphere) we teach children to be themselves and to interact with others on the basis of self-confidence and involvement with others. We believe it is vital to have an open and honest collaboration with parents.

To allow children to reach their own potential, we offer arithmetic, language and reading education at various levels. For the strongest pupils there is an 'extension policy' ('plusbeleid'). Interesting extras at our school are, for example, English lessons from group 1 and additional lesson time after school.

De Zwaluw achieves all of this thanks to its enthusiastic, professional and energetic team.

Child care: BSO 't Kweklokaal in our school provides before- and after-school care, as well as daycare during teacher training days and school holidays.

Type of school:

Protestant

Type of education:

Mainstream primary education

Continuous timetable

(all children stay for lunch): Continuous childcare in the school from 7.30 am – 6.30 pm. Lunchtime care: supervision whilst eating, and sport and play activities.

School hours:

8.45 am to 12.00 noon

1.15 pm to 3.15 pm

Afternoon off:

Wednesday from 12.15 pm

More information:

You can call the headteacher on 071 - 572 26 75. You can also email:

directeur@dezwaluwleiden.nl

Antoinette Kleynstraat 8

2331 DV Leiden

071 - 572 26 75

www.dezwaluwleiden.nl



4. 'T KLANKBORD

The motto of 't Klankbord is: 'A safe and comfortable place for your child now; a good foundation for your child in society later.'

't Klankbord is a Catholic primary school. You experience this in the first place in our attitude towards the children, towards each other and towards you as parents. We are part of the *Stichting Confessioneel Onderwijs Leiden school board (SCOL)*.

We cherish a "growth mindset". Feeling safe and knowing that making mistakes is part of learning is important to us.

We work according to the latest educational insights, in order to "make learning visible":

By discussing the goals with the pupils and by giving targeted feedback on these goals, teachers learn to tailor the lessons even better to the needs of the students. In addition to the usual curriculum, 't Klankbord has a policy of challenging students who need more in both the regular classes and plus class.

At 't Klankbord, students receive music lessons with the help of a real musician, and English lessons from group 1 to 8. Students learn programming and are taught technology lessons from group 1-2. Groups 4, 5 and 6 work with tablets, and groups 7 and 8 work on a project basis on world-orientation courses with the Da Vinci method.

Type of school:	Roman Catholic
Type of education:	Mainstream primary education
Continuous timetable (all children stay for lunch):	Yes
School hours:	8.30 am to 2.30 pm
Afternoon off:	Wednesday from 12.30 pm
More information:	Between 8.15 am and 5.00 pm you can call the headteacher or deputy headteacher on 071 - 531 49 50. You can also email: info@t-klankbord.nl

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Special needs (primary) education

EXTRA SUPPORT AT SCHOOL

Sometimes children need extra support or guidance. At a 'regular' primary school there are more possibilities than you might think. The objective of our education and the Municipality of Leiden is to allow as many children as possible, even those needing special support, to go to a mainstream primary school.

In some cases, however, a special needs school is the most appropriate place. If special needs (primary) education is being considered, you are advised to contact the Suitable Primary Education (Passend Primair Onderwijs, PO) alliance during the orientation phase (i.e. when your child is 3 - 3.5 years old) in order to make a good school choice.

THE SUITABLE PRIMARY EDUCATION (PASSEND PRIMAIR ONDERWIJS, PPO) ALLIANCE

The PPO alliance is tasked with organising a suitable school place for every child in the region. The fundamental concept behind this is: What does the child and their family need? The primary school looks together with the parents at what form the support can take.

The primary school offers extra support and supervision and makes use of a whole network of experts. Where necessary, this support involves the municipality's young people and families' team (jeugd- en gezinsteam), and a joint arrangement is made.

For more information about the options, you can call your child's school, or phone the PPO alliance on 071-535 17 10. You can also find information on www.pporegioleiden.nl.

SPECIAL NEEDS (PRIMARY) EDUCATION

If the mainstream primary school is not an option, there are special needs schools or special needs primary schools. In Leiden there is one school for special needs primary education: De Vlieger.

There are other special needs schools. You can read about these later in this chapter.

REGISTER FOR SPECIAL NEEDS (PRIMARY) EDUCATION

For special needs education or special needs primary education, an 'Admissions Declaration' ('Toelaatbaarheidsverklaring, TLV') is always needed. This declaration is issued by the PPO alliance Leiden region. The school will prepare the application with the parents. The school where your child is registered applies for the Admissions Declaration. For more information, please read about the TLV procedure on the following website (in Dutch): www.pporegioleiden.nl.



DE VLIAGER

Our slogan is: Growing in STRENGTH

Our core values are:

- Connection
- Development
- Challenge
- Entrepreneurial

In order to meet the educational needs of our pupils we offer:

- Structure;
- Various pedagogic and didactic approaches;
- Systematic action-focused diagnostics;
- Suitable instruction (basic, extended and shortened instructions);
- Various learning styles (e.g. multiple intelligences);
- Behavioural regulation;
- A challenging learning environment;
- Specialised supervision/guidance.

Besides this, it is possible that pupils:

- can return to mainstream education after having received extra support;
- are advised to move on to Special Needs Education;
- are observed, e.g. regarding a development issue that needs further investigation;
- need social skills training;
- need play therapy;
- need dyslexia treatment;
- need dyscalculia treatment;
- etc.

Our SBO (special needs primary school) provision offers education that closely matches these schooling requirements. We have both homogeneous groups, where children of similar needs are placed together, and heterogeneous groups, where children of varying needs are in the same group.

Special needs school for Children that need extra support

Type of school:	They have their own school board; neutral in terms of religion (algemeen bijzonder)
Type of education:	Special needs primary education
Continuous timetable (all children stay for lunch):	Yes
School hours:	8.50 am to 3.00 pm
Afternoon off:	Wednesday from 12.30 pm
More information:	For questions you can phone the school's headteacher/manager: Ms Talea van der Wal, 071 - 517 46 64. You can also email: info@sbodevlieger.nl

Boerhaavelaan 298
2334 EZ Leiden
071-517 46 64
www.sbodevlieger.nl



DE THERMIEK

The aim of education at De Thermiek is to prepare pupils with physical or multiple disabilities to take a place in society, in which they can function as independently as possible. Education is offered on five learning pathways, from severe learning disabilities to an above-average level. In its approach towards the pupils, the school uses the capabilities of the pupils as the starting point, and utilises these capabilities to the fullest. To do so we believe it is important to have a safe pedagogic climate and a didactic learning environment that fits the individual child. A child must feel challenged in order to learn. The school cooperates closely with the Rijnlands Rehabilitation Centre (Revalidatiecentrum) and with parents to provide a school care arrangement for each pupil.

Special needs school for Children with a physical or multiple disabilities and long-term illnesses (cluster 3)

Type of school:	They have their own school board; neutral in terms of religion (algemeen bijzonder)
Type of education:	Special needs education
Continuous timetable	
(all children stay for lunch):	Yes
School hours:	8.30 am to 3.00 pm
Afternoon off:	Wednesday from 12.15 pm
More information:	You can call 071 - 519 54 90, or email: mytyschool@dethermiek.nl

Blauwe Vogelweg 1
2333 VK Leiden
071 - 519 54 90
www.dethermiek.nl



DE BRUG

Pedagogical Institute (Pedologisch Instituut, PI) De Brug is a school for children for whom learning or working in a class does not happen automatically. Children with autism spectrum disorders or children who really need structure, clarity and a secure environment are welcome at PI De Brug. Based on the expertise available in the school, both among teachers and among school psychologists and IB-ers (school mentors) who support the teachers, the school looks at the capabilities of each child. We focus on three basic values:

- Expand on what you are good at;
- Build up what needs to be learned;
- Compensate where necessary.

De Brug believes that what is going well is very important and they gradually develop the child's self-confidence and their qualities. The structure and routines make the days and activities very predictable, so that the children can find calmness in them. All disciplines within the school work closely together to deploy the various knowledge and expertise. Cooperation with parents is also very important; the needs of the children and their parents play a central role in the cooperation: "Together forwards in the interest of your child". De Brug offers a wide range of activities, including challenging sports lessons, art, technology and a vegetable garden. We simply do what is possible, especially when it's necessary!

Special needs school for Children with serious behavioural issues aged 5-14

Type of school:

Openbaar (= run by a foundation originally set up by the government, non-religious)

Type of education:

Special needs education

Continuous timetable

(all children stay for lunch): Yes

School hours:

8.30 am to 2.45 pm

Afternoon off:

Wednesday and Friday from 12.15 pm

More information:

You can call 071 - 515 72 22. You can also email: **debrug@pidebrug.nl**

Wassenaarseweg 499
2333 AL Leiden
071 - 515 72 22
Geen website??



AURIS DE WEERKLANK

Auris De Weerklank is part of the Koninklijke Auris group, a specialist in hearing, speech and language (www.auris.nl).

Auris De Weerklank provides special needs education for pupils aged 3-13 with communication problems. Pupils can only attend De Weerklank when they have received an intensive schooling arrangement (intensief onderwijsarrangement). An application for this can be made via the 'Application Centre' (Aanmeldpunt) Cluster 2 for Haarlem-Leiden and surrounding areas (with locations in Haarlem and Leiden).

Pupils at De Weerklank have serious communication difficulties that threaten their speech and language development and frequently their socio-emotional development too. Their learning process is seriously hindered by these language problems.

De Weerklank has lots of in-house expertise in the field of (children with) serious speech or language problems and children with a hearing impairment, and this knowledge and ability is continuously developed.

De Weerklank works together with the parents on an intensive level.

The slogan of De Weerklank is: 'The school where pupils find their sound again'.

Auris De Weerklank is a Christian school with an open character. Given this identity, equality and respect are fundamental and are practised throughout the school. Every pupil with serious speech or language difficulties or with a hearing impairment is very welcome here.

Special needs school for Pupils with speech and language disorders (TOS) and hearing impairments

Type of school:	Christian
Type of education:	Special needs education (cluster 2)
Continuous timetable	
(all children stay for lunch):	Yes
School hours:	8.40 am to 2.55 pm
Afternoon off:	Wednesday from 12.25 pm
More information:	You can call 071 - 576 51 49. You can also email: administratie@deweerklank.nl

Robijnstraat 100
2332 KV Leiden
071 - 576 51 49
www.deweerklank.nl



KORTE VLIETSCHOOL

Pupils at Korte Vliet have special educational requirements as a result of their profound learning disabilities. Consequently, the teachers of the Korte Vlietschool prepare the pupils for their future in a systematic manner. Our ideal vision? A pupil who, when he or she leaves school, approaches life with confidence, can exist independently as much as possible, also in contact with others, and can take his or her own decisions. In order to achieve this, we foster a learning climate with a good balance between safety and challenge, and where pupils are accepted and respected. Through clarity, confidence and protection, pupils can develop to their full potential in both didactic and socio-emotional terms.

Special needs school for Children with profound learning disabilities

Type of school:	They have their own board; neutral in terms of religion (algemeen bijzonder)
Type of education:	Special needs education
Continuous timetable (all children stay for lunch):	Yes
School hours:	8.45 am to 3.00 pm
Afternoon off:	Wednesday from 12.30 pm
More information:	Between 8.15 am and 4.30 pm you can call 071 - 531 04 33. You can also email: info@kortevlietschool.nl

Donizetilaan 1a
2324 BE Leiden
071 - 531 04 33

www.kortevlietschool.nl



Well-prepared for primary school

Play together, learn together, attend school together

WHY TO A PLAYGROUP OR NURSERY?

At a playgroup or nursery, children can happily play and learn together. They sing songs, listen to stories, and do enjoyable craft activities. The children learn to share with each other, to tidy up and to sit still during circle time. Children often think it's really nice to play with other children on fixed days and have their own activities outside of home.

WELL-PREPARED FOR SCHOOL

Starting primary school is easier for a child if he or she has already gone to a preschool/playgroup or a nursery. A number of preschools/playgroups and nurseries in Leiden have an extra programme for children who could use some extra support. This extra programme is also called pre- and early-school education (voor- en vroegschoolse educatie, VVE).

Pre- and early-school education uses fixed methods. The activities are connected to themes that children like, such as family and animals. There is also a lot of group work, and focus on language, arithmetic, social development and movement.

WHAT ARE THE DIFFERENCES?

Children can go to nursery from 6 weeks old until they go to primary school. The children can go there the whole year round, for one day a week or more. The preschool/playgroup is meant for children from age 2 until they go to primary school. Your child can go to the preschool/playgroup for a minimum of two half-days per week. It is easy to combine

the preschool/playgroup with other forms of childcare. There are qualified teachers in both the nurseries and preschools/playgroups to look after your child.

OTHER POSSIBILITIES

In addition to the programmes offered by the preschools/playgroups and nurseries, it is also possible to provide extra (language) development at home, for example with projects such as 'Step'/'Opstapje' (where parents learn how they can guide their children's development) and 'I Read For You' / 'Ik Lees Voor Jou' (where a volunteer comes round once a week on a fixed day and time, for 6 months, to read to children aged 2-10). These projects are run by JES Rijnland.

GO CYCLING!

Go cycling! Take your child to school on foot or by bike. To allow children to go to school alone at a later age, it is important that they gain enough experience in traffic at a young age. If this is done together with neighbourhood children it becomes even more fun and sociable. Your child will get some exercise before the lesson starts, it creates a safer school environment, and often it proves to be faster than the car. Flink Fietsen Kids (Go Cycling Kids) encourages the use of bicycles in school environments. www.flinkfietsen.nl.

MORE INFORMATION?

See: www.leiden.nl/onderwijs



Overview of primary education in Leiden

SCHOOLS FOR PRIMARY EDUCATION

Schools which have their own school board; neutral in terms of religion:

- Eerste Leidse Schoolvereniging (E.L.S.): www.eersteleidseschool.nl
- Haanstra Basisschool: www.haanstraschool.nl
- VrijeSchool Mareland: www.vsmareland.nl

ISLAMIC:

- Islamic Education Er Risèlèh: www.ibs-erriseleh.nl

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

Protestant primary schools:

- De Sleutelbloem: www.sleutelbloem.pcsleiden.nl
- De Ley: www.bsdeley.nl
- De Springplank: www.despringplankleiden.nl
- De Leidse Houtschool: www.leidsehoutschool.nl
- De Zijlwijkschool: www.zijlwijkschool.nl
- Joppensz: www.joppenszleiden.nl
- De Zwaluw: www.dezwaluwleiden.nl

Catholic primary schools:

- 't Klankbord: www.t-klankbord.com
- De Singel: www.singelleiden.nl
- De Tweemaster: www.tweemasterleiden.nl
- Pacellischool: www.pacellischool.nl
- St. Joseph: www.josephschool.nl
- De Astronaut: www.deastronaut.nl

Openbare schools (= run by a foundation originally set up by the government, non-religious)

- Anne Frankschool: www.annefrankleiden.nl
- Montessorischool Apollo: www.montessorischoolapollo.nl
- De Arcade: www.basisschool-de-arcade.nl
- De Dukdalf (Jenaplanonderwijs): www.dukdalf-leiden.nl
- De Meerpaal: www.de-meerpaal-leiden.nl
- De Morskring: www.morskring.nl
- DeStevenshof: www.obsdestevenshof.nl
- De Viersprong: www.obsviersprong.nl
- Lorentzschool: www.lorentzschool.nl
- Lucas van Leyden: www.lucasvanleyden.nl
- Merenwijk: www.bredeschoolmerenwijk.nl
- De Pionier: www.depionierleiden.nl
- Leimundo: www.leimundo.nl
- Woutertje Pieterse: www.woutertjepieterse.nl

SPECIAL NEEDS (PRIMARY) EDUCATION

(learning and upbringing difficulties and children with learning difficulties)

- De Vlieger: www.sbodevlieger.nl



SCHOOLS FOR SPECIAL NEEDS EDUCATION

- De Thermiek (education for children with physical or multiple disabilities): **www.dethermiek.nl**
- Korte Vlietschool (Children with profound learning disabilities): **www.kortevlietschool.nl**
- Openbare School De Brug (Observation school connected to Pedagogical Institute De Brug): **www.pi-debrug.nl**
- Openbare School O.Z.C. Orion (Children with serious behavioural issues): **www.prooleiden.nl**
- Protestant School Auris De Weerklank (Pupils with speech and language disorders (TOS) and hearing impairments): **www.deweerklank.nl**

SCHOOL BOARDS

Primary education

- Eerste Leidse Schoolvereniging (E.L.S.): **www.eersteleidseschool.nl**
- *Stichting Confessioneel Onderwijs Leiden (SCOL)*: **www.scoleiden.nl**
- Stichting Islamitische Basisschool Leiden: **www.ibs-erriseleh.nl**
- Stichting Openbaar Primair en Speciaal Onderwijs Leiden (PROOLEiden): **www.prooleiden.nl**
- Stichting Vrijescholen Rijnstreek: **www.vsmareland.nl**
- Vereniging voor Voorbereidend Onderwijs: **www.haanstraschool.nl**

Special needs primary education

- Stichting SBO De Vlieger: **www.sbodevlieger.nl**

Special needs education

- De Weerklank: Koninklijke Auris Groep: **www.auris.nl**
- Korte Vliet en De Thermiek: Stichting Resonans: **www.resonansonderwijs.nl**
- Openbare School P.I. De Brug: Stichting Openbaar Primair en Speciaal Onderwijs Leiden: **www.prooleiden.nl**



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