

It is time for me to give you more news on the status of the development projects for our two sites.

Communication from the Régie des Bâtiments to the Secretary-General of the European Schools

Here are the main points of the recent communication from the Régie des Bâtiments concerning the infrastructure projects in Woluwe and Evere. The original letter was presented to the members of the Brussels Steering Committee, in the presence of the school management and representatives of teachers, pupils and the APEEE.

Woluwe – Adaptation and modernisation of the site

The Régie des Bâtiments confirms the progress of the dossier relating to the extensive adaptation project for the Woluwe site, estimated at over €12 million. One of the national financial inspection bodies has already given a favourable opinion, and a second opinion is expected shortly.

The project will be carried out in two phases:

Phase 1 – Conversion of existing buildings

Refurbishment of the former administrative area into classrooms, reorganisation of the ground floor of the nursery/primary school building (administration,

cafeteria, S6-S7 playground, addition of toilets), adaptation of the infirmary, extension of the laboratories and library.

Phase 2 – Construction of a new 2,200 m² building comprising art, music and sports rooms and redevelopment of the main entrance. The main entrance will be moved to the "kiss & ride" area to facilitate traffic flow and accessibility.

The provisional deadlines are as follows:

- End of Phase 1: July 2028
- End of Phase 2: July 2029



Evere – Renewal of planning permission

The Régie points out that the current permit is valid until 16 March 2027. In order to ensure the continuity of the project, several engineering firms have been consulted. The aim is to submit a renewal application before the end of 2026, which would allow the permit to be extended until 2037. Perspectives.brussels has confirmed that this six-year extension would not pose any problems.

The Régie des Bâtiments emphasises the importance of transparent collaboration between institutions, with regular meetings to ensure clear and effective monitoring of projects. A first meeting is scheduled for the first quarter of 2026.



New organisation of classrooms in Woluwe

From September onwards, the Woluwe site will only accommodate the seven secondary school levels. A complete restructuring of the distribution of classrooms is underway to provide a clearer, more functional environment that is better suited to the needs of secondary school pupils.

The new plan is organised around 10 teaching departments (languages, STEM, humanities, educational support, etc.). Each department will have a group of classrooms to improve teaching consistency and facilitate movement.

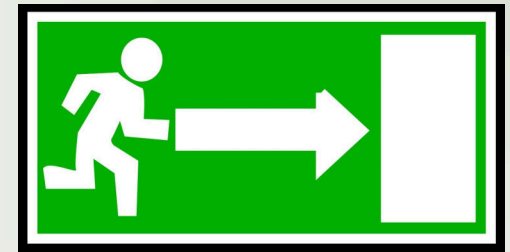
The management is currently working with our timetable planners to determine the exact number of classrooms required. A specialist company will then assist the school in renumbering the classrooms and creating modern and effective signage, which is essential on a site as large as Woluwe.



Canteen evacuation route in Woluwe

From May 2026, the Woluwe site will begin a series of major works to improve safety around the school canteen. The project involves widening the evacuation route connecting the canteen to the sports field by extending the staircase alongside the car park access ramp. The works are exclusively aimed at bringing the evacuation route into compliance, in order to increase the maximum capacity of people who can safely be in this building, and do not involve an extension of the canteen.

This work may seem minor, but it is essential for the future of the site. It will not only help to improve safety but also pave the way for other improvements related to accessibility and bicycle and car parking. The Parents' Association, which is responsible for organising the canteen, was of course informed immediately after confirmation was received from the Régie des Bâtiments.



Inventory school furniture

We are currently conducting a complete inventory of classroom furniture (benches, chairs, cupboards) at our two sites. In anticipation of the significant needs associated with the exclusive reception of secondary school pupils in Woluwe from next September, we have taken the initiative and already placed an order for chairs and furniture to equip 35 new classrooms.

During the course of this school year, a detailed analysis of the needs of both sites will be carried out to determine precisely what additional equipment is required.

Car park extension in Evere

Last week, our Safety and Security Officer met with a technician from the Régie des Bâtiments to review the technical plans for the car park extension project. We have not yet received written confirmation of the start date for the work, but we have been told that it should begin in the first quarter of 2026.

At the weekly meeting with the Parents' Association, I informed the participants that discussions with the Régie des Bâtiments have become very technical, which gives us hope that the new car park will be operational by September 2026. This information allows the APEEE to take this into account when planning the transport service for pupils at the Evere site. I will inform all stakeholders as soon as I know more.



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*Have a good week of classes,
happy holidays and happy New
Year!*

*Kind regards
Kamila Malik*

Guidelines for new enrolments

Last week, the Board of Governors approved the document defining the enrolment policy for the 2026-2027 school year. The Central Enrolment Authority team has been working hard to ensure that the distribution of classes between the Evere and Woluwe sites allows for optimal and efficient organisation. The enrolment campaign will begin in January 2026. Its results will determine the number of classes opened in



Evere and Woluwe respectively. Initial estimates will be communicated in March, while the final figures (in terms of number of classes, not pupils) will be confirmed in May. We will keep you informed of developments in this essential procedure for the preparation of the 2026-2027 school year.

I will, of course, continue to inform the various partners of the progress of this project, in a more general or more detailed manner as required. If you would like a direct exchange allowing for spontaneous questions and concrete answers, for example during an information meeting or an assembly (whether for pupils, staff members or parents), I am more than willing to participate.

In any case, I will present the latest developments on all these projects in the next special edition, which will be sent to you before the **second Monday** before the Carnival holidays.