



Karlschule – Westberger Weg 17/19 – 59065 Hamm

To the parents and guardians of the pupils of the
Karlschule

June 2025

4. Parent letter in the 2024/2025 school year

Dear parents, dear guardians,

An eventful and diverse school year is coming to an end, and we would like to take this moment to look back together and thank you all.

True to our motto "Together Colorful," we have experienced many colorful activities over the past few months that have significantly shaped life and learning at our school. You've probably also been able to follow the diversity of our activities on social media. We are convinced that this is how our school has succeeded, and how it will continue to succeed!

Of particular note are our joint celebrations, which have made our school a vibrant place to live. We are proud of how diverse and vibrant our school community is.



A special milestone was also the launch of the nationwide school project Startchancen, which was driven forward with great commitment by all those involved.

Important steps have been taken in the areas of reading promotion, career guidance, democratic development, and basic skills training to best prepare your children for their future careers. Close and effective cooperation with all stakeholders at the school—whether in class, projects, or counseling—has always been a key to success.

We were very impressed by the commitment of our students. It's particularly noteworthy that class councils met monthly throughout the school year, actively promoting democratic development. For example, we discussed the lunch menu with Caritas Hamm.





The student conference also took place four times, where all class representatives worked together with the school administration on current school issues. Through their ideas and colorful activities, such as the beautification of the schoolyard and school buildings, the

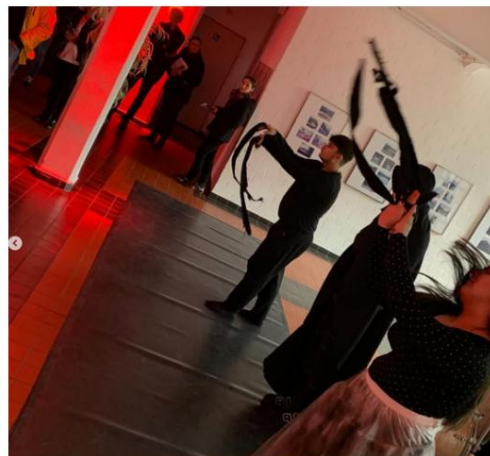
Students have actively contributed to making our school more attractive.



We have also formed a human chain together with other schools and educational institutions in the north of Hamm for more democracy and against racism in order to send a message in difficult times.

In March we went to the big stage – Maxipark Hamm. Together with the Hamm Music School and the Treibkraft Theater eV, 17 students

presented a stage performance in front of an audience of approximately 800 people, which was based on the musical content of Mozart's 'Requiem' oriented.-



Self-defense was on the agenda in April. In courses for boys and girls, professional instructors taught interested students basic skills. The workshop not only strengthened the students' ability to assert themselves in critical situations, but also, more importantly, their self-confidence.

The sporting highlights of the last quarter certainly included the Federal Youth Games and participation in the Maxi Run – in both categories it was clearly evident that the “Karlschule” had awakened from the fitness slump of the Corona period.





We are especially proud of the 53 students who are leaving our school after the tenth school year and will now continue their journeys to secondary schools or vocational training. We sincerely wish them all the best and much success in their futures!



At the same time, we are very pleased that our twenty-eight new school starters have settled in so well with us this year.

We would like to sincerely thank you for your support and trust during the past school year. The excellent work we do with parents, for example in our Parents' Café, means working hand in hand to make the best possible decisions for our students.



We regret that attendance is still far too low and would be very pleased if this would be even more the case in the next school year.

We encourage you to contact us regularly, as we are convinced that together we can always find the best answers and solutions to your questions and requests. In addition to personal contact when problems arise, our regularly scheduled Parents' Café is also a great place to discuss general questions in a relaxed setting. Dates and invitations are usually posted on our social media channels in good time.



In the new school year, we will face new challenges and look forward to tackling them together. A lot of construction work is also happening: The power supply in the school building will be expanded, Wi-Fi will now be available in the gymnasium, and the structural changes for the emergency exit will be completed during the summer holidays.



In addition, we will comprehensively expand and deepen career guidance, and there will be a etiquette workshop for our students.

As a further step in the development of democracy, we will launch a

Hold a student assembly to inform and involve everyone about upcoming changes, ideas, actions, etc.

But before we start the holidays, we'd like to bring this very exciting, intensive, and lively school year to a close with the whole school with a big, colorful party. Our big "School's Out Party" will take place in the schoolyard on July 10, 2025, from 8:00 a.m. to approximately 12:00 p.m. You are cordially invited! Not all of the activities can be mentioned in this brief review—there are too many. So don't be disappointed if your child tells you about something that you can't find here!

We wish you and your families a wonderful and relaxing summer – time to relax, time to unwind, and time to enjoy. May you return well rested and healthy with a summer smile!



Sincerely on behalf of all teachers and staff

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School management