Safe-Active
While sitting in the Inter-Actief room writing a column for this edition and listening to the conversations of the people in the room I noticed that this room is a real safe space. Everybody calls each other “makkermaat”, “maatmakker” or “broederneef”. Because everybody here is part of one big family. This is the room where educational questions are answered, stressed students come to relax, and the beer is always cold. Whether you want to experience the famous “werksfeer” for yourself or are just looking for a good conversation, the room is always open for you (office hours apply).

So what about the Friday afternoon, when everybody really is in need of a safe space to come to their senses? The room appears closed; the door is locked and the lights are turned off! Fear not, for we have simply moved the safe space to the Abscint so you can feel as safe as upstairs whilst enjoying the wonderful service provided by the bartenders.

By E.Wout

Fashion
Last Wednesday the prom of Inter-Actief, Scintilla, Abacus and Communiqué took place in the Waarbeekzalen. Everybody look tip top and put in a lot of effort in their outfits. Starting with the gadgets, they ranged from beautifully minimalistic designs to big flashy lights to get as much attention as possible.

Where as the gadgets of Yorinf were designed to make sure people did not get sick, those of the Dipsomaniacs did exactly the opposite. I heard that at least four people got an epileptic seizure of those annoyingly fast flickering lights.

The gadgets of the do group YOLO were less annoying but no less explicit. You could see those balloons all over the venue and you knew immediately where your fellow TCS’ers were. The only downside to those balloons was that they also attracted the attention of some drunk people that had nothing to do with YOLO and who just wanted to watch the world burn. Throughout the night I have been shook quite some times because of the loud bangs those balloons go out with.

Next to the gadgets, the dresses were formidable. They all looked outstanding, whether they were traditional prom dresses or more modern, everybody looked amazing.

But with pain in my hearth I have to be honest and I have to say that the most beautiful dresses I have seen this week are the green DECAdent dresses of Yorinf. Although the skirt is a bit too short for my taste, I really like the long sleeve design and the colours are totally 2020.

Bartenders’ Blog
As your bartenders we always strive to provide the most enjoyable experience possible to our guests in the drink room. This is, of course, done by serving the best beverages and entertaining you with the best chit chat. Sadly we, as bartenders, cannot control everything in the drink room. One of those things being the topics of conversation in and around the drink room. We heard things like “you are not allowed to say anything anymore”, “why can’t I speak Dutch anymore?”, “The farmers did nothing wrong by threatening people with violence”, “Duindorp did nothing wrong” and “everything used to be better”. Well, we are sorry you had to listen to all these utterly stupid things.

To increase the enjoyment in the drink rooms we also want to identify some behaviour that should not be displayed anymore: singing karaoke, being Emma or Niels (as suggested by Niels and Emma), watching “feuten het feestje”, complaining that you can’t play beer pong anymore, not organising theme drinks and hanging pictures of the scintilla mascot. If these things can be avoided, we will all have a better time.

That is why, this week, we transform the Abscint to a safe space. A place where no one is allowed to say stupid things like “module 2 is too hard”, “I have trouble reading assignments and I feel offended that my teacher suggested i read them better”, “I’m a fifth time first years and I am still complaining about things”, “I had plenty of time to work on my assignment, I waited till the last moment to do the work and now it is a holiday”, “the real exam was harder than the example exam”. And all things alike.

If you then feel offended by these rules, do not worry or stay mad. Hugs can be bought at the bar for 50 euro cents! Or write down how this has made you feel at the bar.

By Julik Keijer and Luc Jansen
Public void Puzzle();

Every public void close() contains a puzzle to exercise your mind.
Can you identify the nations of mainland Europe on this graph ‘map’, where countries are represented by nodes and borders by edges and spell out the magic word?
(This puzzle includes Kosovo.)

If you need some more motivation: the first person or group to hand over the correct solution to the bartenders will receive eleven free drinks from the bartenders!