



GIS NEWSLETTER

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Student-led conferences: thank you!

Thank you for attending PYP student-led conferences last week. We hope you enjoyed your conference(s) and found out more about your child's learning this academic year.

17th May Celebrations

We hope many families join us to celebrate Constitution Day on 17th May. GIS will join the parade in town in the morning. Please ensure you are at Gjøvik Stadium at 9:45am for a prompt start. This year, we have been placed between Gjøvik Læringscenter and Gjøvik Vgd Skole. Look out for our banner! To ensure safety and appropriate conduct, we would like to ask for your support. We need two parent volunteers per grade level from Grade 1 to Grade 5 to assist a class during

the parade. Please inform Mr Armanski at adam.armanski@gjovikis.no if you are available to help.

We would also like to ask parents to remind children that the parade is a formal event and through appropriate behavior we show respect for our host country. Therefore, we expect students to walk in an orderly fashion and use national symbols, especially flags, with respect. We also strongly discourage children from picking up *russekort*, whose content is often inappropriate for young children. The parade ends at Gjøvik Gård. Please collect your child there as soon as we arrive as we will not be able to ensure safety for the large GIS group in the crowd that will gather there.

Following the parade, GIS Parent Council invites everyone to a picnic and activities at GIS. Please find attached an invitation from Parent Council. Please note that Grade 9 will continue to raise money for their trip to Berlin in September 2019. We hope you can support the students.

MYP verification visit

The MYP verification visit takes place on 27-28 May. The team will consist of two experienced MYP practitioners, who will observe classes, meet with the school board, teachers, students and parents. Please let us know by the end of next week if you are available to meet with the visitors on 27th May from 4:15pm to 5:00pm. We hope to have all grade levels (Grade 6-9) represented as well as a number of nationalities. Please contact Mr. Armanski at adam.armanski@gjovikis.no if you are available and/or have any questions about the visit.

Birthday parties

At GIS, we encourage inclusion both at school and outside. This is a reminder that we are happy to help parents distribute invitations to birthday parties on the condition that all students in the class are invited. If your plans do not include all

students, please make your arrangements yourself. We would appreciate it if this could be done without making any student feel excluded. It is more appropriate for parents to contact other parents than to ask a child to distribute invitations before or after school to a select group.

Swimming for Grade 1

Swimming classes for Grade 1 start on 2nd May (this Thursday) according to the timetable at the end of the newsletter. Following regular classes at school, students will have lunch and some play time at GIS. They will then walk from the school supervised by assistants, who will also supervise the students in changing rooms.

Please note that students will be back at GIS around 3:30PM. If you need to collect your child at Fjellhallen, please inform Mr. Görögh in advance, no later than 10:00am on the day.

Please ensure your child brings the following items on the days when he/she has swimming classes:

- Bathing suit
- Swim cap
- Shower gel/soap
- TWO towels

Yearbook Cover Contest

We are pleased to inform you that two entries have been selected in the Yearbook Cover Competition. One will be used as the front cover and the other one as the back cover. They are attached to the email. All entries are on display in the hallway leading to PYP classrooms.

Applications for August 2020

Please note that we start accepting applications on 1st May 2019 for students starting Grade 1 in August 2020. You may want to share this information with your friends.

School support contact details

If you have any questions about the matters below, please contact the relevant person:

Taxi (GIS)	Dennis Wanda	dennis.wanda@gjovikis.no
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School nurse	Solveig Karine Mjølstad Fossholt	Solveig-Karine.Mjolstad-Fossholt@gjovik.kommune.no
Swimming	Ragnar Görögh	ragnar.gorogh@gjovikis.no
SFO	Marina Shalaginova	sfo@gjovikis.no

Swimming timetable

Grade	Date
Grade 1	02.05.19
	09.05.19

	16.05.19
	23.05.19
	06.06.19
	13.06.19