



GIS NEWSLETTER

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MYP parent-teacher conferences

MYP parent-teacher conferences take place this Wednesday and Thursday. MYP teachers are available by appointment. Like last year, conferences have been pre-booked with relevant teachers if an area of concern has been identified for a student. The parents of the remaining students are not required to attend conferences. However, they can sign up for selected conferences using our online booking system. Parents have received a checklist for each student. Each teacher assessed the student on a set of criteria, including overall achievement, participation in class activities, ability to follow instructions, etc.

As all MYP teachers are involved in the conferences, the following clubs are cancelled tomorrow:

- Photography Club
- The Science of gourmet food.

World Food Day

16 October, Wednesday is World Food Day. We as Student Council ask people to bring food cans/tins or food that doesn't get spoiled fast so that we can help the Salvation Army. The food/Tins can be dropped in the box that is dedicated for the grades. Each grade has their own box where they can put their cans/food. The last day to give food is 16 October.

Post-grade 10 options for our students

This academic year is a very exciting time for Grade 10 students. They will complete their education at GIS and embark on a new educational adventure. In order to help the students and their families make an informed decision regarding the next step in their education, we are pleased to invite parents and students to the following presentations:

- 4th November 2019, 5:00pm – 6:30pm
Ms Tone Breivik, a career counsellor at Gjøvik High School, will talk about all post-Grade 10 options available to students in Norway.
- 11th November 2019, 5:00pm – 6:00pm
Ms Molly Williams Thoresen, the IB Diploma Programme Coordinator at Gjøvik High School, will present the Diploma Programme to interested parents and students.

The events are mainly for Grade 10 parents and students but they are open to Grade 9 parents, too.

- 26th and 27th November 2019
Grade 10 students will visit high schools of their choice to learn first-hand what it is like to be a student at the particular schools they are interested in.

Coffee morning 24 October: reminder

We are pleased to invite interested parents to our first coffee morning this academic year. It will take place on 24 October.

8:30 – 9:15 Introduction to PYP (Grades 1-6) for parents new to GIS

9:15 – 10:00 Assessment in the MYP (grades 7-10): Grades, Grade 10 Certification and academic transition to IB DP at Gjøvik High School

Vision statement: reminder

GIS opened in 2015 with a view to providing an IB education. We achieved our goal by becoming an authorized IB World School offering the PYP and the MYP. The school has grown significantly over the past four years. We have a lot more students and staff. We would like to give the school community an opportunity to think about the school's future. What kind of school do you see when you think about GIS in five years' time? Help us create a vision statement for GIS that will drive the school's development over the next few years. A focus group will meet on 2nd November (10:00am-1:00pm) to discuss possible directions for future development. The group will comprise parent representatives, school board members and GIS staff. If you are a parent representative on the Parent Council for your child's class and are unable to attend, please find a substitute.

READING CHALLENGE: reminder

Over the next 10 weeks, all GIS students are invited to participate in a reading challenge. For every 10 books they read, students will get their photo taken and put on our reading challenge display. Postcards will be given to students who are interested in participating and can be handed in at any time to claim their prize. For every 10 books a student reads, we kindly ask that the postcards be turned into school with a parent signature.

Reading can include various forms. It can be books read to the students, students reading to others, audiobooks as well as books in various languages. Postcards may be used as a bookmark but do not need to be brought to school unless the card is completed.

Happy Reading!
Mrs Rasen

Fjellhallen swimming pool closed

We regret to inform you that the swimming pool is still closed. Please contact Mrs Senthilkumar at sfo@gjovikis.no if you need childcare on Thursday afternoon.

BIRTHDAY BOOK CLUB

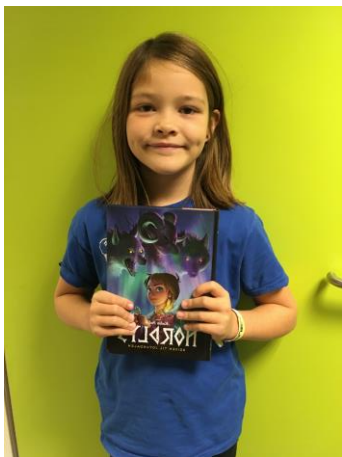
Students are encouraged to donate a new or gently used book to the library to celebrate their birthday. This book can be in any language and at any reading level. Alternatively, students can donate 100kr to the library and a book can be purchased in their name. Please see Mrs Rasen if you have any questions.



GIS wishes Ms Brenner from Grade 2 a very happy birthday and thanks her for her generous donation to the school library.



GIS wishes Rebekka from a very happy 1st birthday and thanks her for her generous donation to the school library.



GIS wishes Aurora from Grade 4 a very happy birthday wishes and thanks her for her generous donation to the school library.

School support contact details

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

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Swimming timetable

Grade	Date
Grade 2	17.10.19 Cancelled
	24.10.19
	31.10.19
Grade 3	07.11.19
	14.11.19
	21.11.19
	28.11.19
	05.12.19
	12.12.19
	09.01.20
Grade 4	16.01.20
	23.01.20
	30.01.20
	06.02.20
	13.02.20
	20.02.20
	05.03.20
	12.03.20
Grade 1	19.03.20
	26.03.20
	02.04.20
	16.04.20
	23.04.20
	07.05.20
	14.05.20
	28.05.20