



GIS NEWSLETTER

22nd October 2019

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New Teacher

We are pleased to welcome a new colleague this week. Ms Vicky Kane will teach MPY English language and literature. Ms Kane is from Australia. As a qualified English teacher, she has taught English in Australia, Singapore, Japan and Hong Kong. Ms Kane is also an artist. She is a jewellery designer and maker, sculptor as well as art teacher.

Grade 2 needs resources

Grade 2 is currently working on a unit of inquiry about simple machines and we need your help. To study how simple machines are used, we need old bicycles and clocks and any other mechanical devices; no electronics please. Students will take these items apart to analyze and identify the simple machines that they are made up of and how they work to make up the mechanics of the device.

Please contact Ms Brenner at heidi.brenner@gjovikis.no if you have any mechanical items that you would be willing to donate to the grade 2 class.

Student survey

Like all schools in Norway, GIS takes part in student surveys for Grade 7 and 10 students, which in the Norwegian system mark the end of primary school and middle school respectively. The survey is anonymous and is completed online. Our results are compared with those of other schools in Gjøvik and countrywide. This year, the survey will take place on 28th October.

Appropriate gear & lost and found

Please ensure your child has appropriate outdoor gear to be able to enjoy breaks in the changing weather. Also, please check the lost and found basket for any items that may have gone missing.

MYP eAssessments: reminder

If you have opted for MYP eAssessments for your child in Grade 10, please ensure you have paid the invoice you have received from the school by 28th October 2019. Only students who have paid the examination fee can be registered for the assessments.

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 (Grade 5 room)

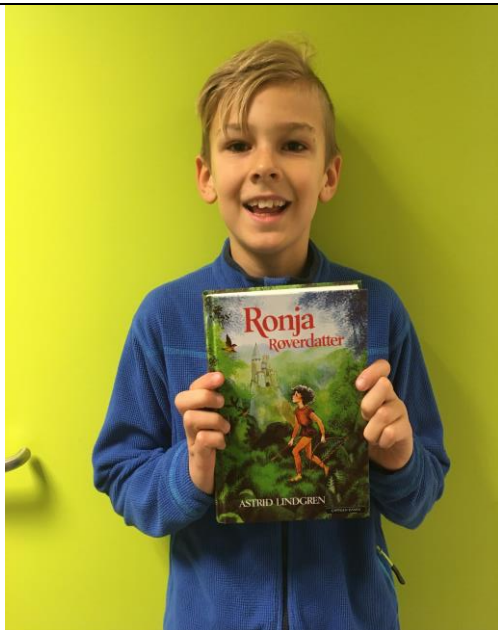
Introduction to PYP (Grades 1-6) for parents new to GIS

9:15 – 10:00 (Grade 8 room)

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

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 Mathias from Grade 4 a very happy birthday and thanks him for his generous donation to the school library.



GIS wishes Even August from Grade 4 a very happy birthday and thanks him for his generous donation to the school library.



GIS wishes Jenny from Grade 5 a very happy birthday and thanks her for her generous donation to the school library.



Happy Birthday from GIS!

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.

School support contact details

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

Taxi (GIS)

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School nurse	Kristin Bratland	Kristin.Bratland@gjovik.kommune.no
Swimming	Ragnar Görögh	ragnar.gorogh@gjovikis.no
SFO	Deepika Senthilkumar	sfo@gjovikis.no

Swimming timetable

Grade	Date
Grade 2	24.10.19 Cancelled 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