

# GIS NEWSLETTER

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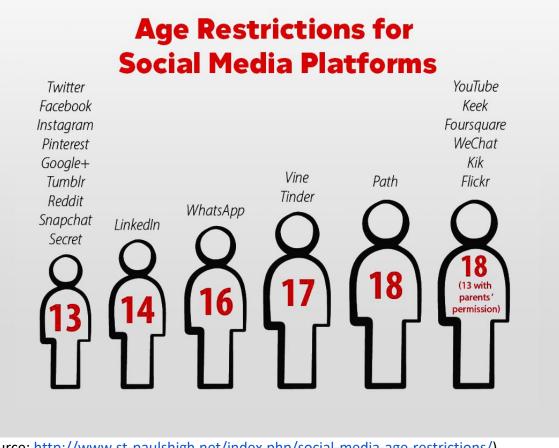
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#### **Service Age Requirements**

A number of colleagues and parents have observed that some students have become more dependent on electronic devices over the past few months. The fact that they have been required to use computers and tablets to continue learning made access to the devices much easier. As we return to school and face-to-face teaching and learning, the need to rely on electronic devices should be lower. It is a good opportunity to review your child's screen time and make changes.

As the main two reasons for students to use electronic devices is to access social media platforms and games, we have collected some information for you regarding both. We hope you find it useful. Some general information can be found in this newsletters. More details can be found in a separate document attached to the newsletter.

Please find below an info graphic that shows you minimum age requirements for some popular social media as well as games.



(Source: <u>http://www.st-paulshigh.net/index.php/social-media-age-restrictions/</u>)

I have also visited a few selected services, as well as some games, and have read their Terms of Service document. The table below contains the name of each service, as well as the minimum age requirement to use that service as it is described in the Terms of Service document.

A more complete list is available in another document, which is attached to the newsletter. That list contains citations from the Terms of Services, explanation and advice, as well as links you may wish to follow to read up further on a specific service or application. If you know your child is using one of the services or games listed below, you can simply find that service or game in the document to learn more about it and what implications may the use of that service have for your child and for you.

Social Media Services		
Facebook	13	
Instagram	13	
Snapchat	13	
TikTok	13	
YouTube	13	
WhatsApp	16	
Gamer Chat Client		
Discord	13	
Games		
Minecraft	10	
Fortnite	12	
Overwatch	12	
World Of Warcraft	12	
Clash Of Clans	13	
Fifa 20	13	
Roblox	18	

We hope the information helps you have a better picture of what your child may be exposing themselves to when using some of the services described.

Please feel free to contact me if you gave any questions at <a href="mailto:ragnar.gorogh@gjovikis.no">ragnar.gorogh@gjovikis.no</a>

Yours sincerely, Ragnar Görögh (IT Consultant)

#### Library update

This end of school year has been rather different from other years. Therefore, we are asking everyone to have a good search around their homes for any GIS library books. For many of the students, it has been well over 70 days since they last had a formal library lesson in the library, and many have forgotten whether they took out a book or not. If we could all please have a hunt under beds and on bookshelves for books that might belong to the library, we would be most appreciative.

I will be sending reminder notes—some students are unsure if they have still have the book or not. This is only a reminder of the title of the book. If you think you have returned the book or the book never made it home, please let me know and we will add it to our manual search list.

If over the summer, some GIS library books miraculously turn up, please feel free to bring them back to school in August, no questions asked.

Happy hunting,

Mrs. Rasen gwynne.rasen@gjovkis.no

### **Child care/SFO next academic year**

If you are interested in this service for your child next academic year, please find attached an application form. If your child has attended SFO this year and you want to continue with the current arrangements, we ask that you let Mr Leif Olav Thoresen know by email <u>leif.olav.thoresen@gjovikis.no</u>

## School support contact details

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

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