

## GIS NEWSLETTER

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### Next academic year

This is the last newsletter this academic year. However, next week, you will receive information regarding next year, including information on new employees, etc. At this point, we would like to thank the staff that leave GIS at the end of this academic year:

Ms Kimberley Zemlak has worked at GIS since August 2017 as PYP coordinator and teacher. In her time at GIS, Ms Zemlak prepared the school for and led it through successful PYP authorization. She took her students as well as colleagues on great learning adventures, exploring the IB Primary Years Programme. We wish Ms. Zemlak good luck back in Canada!

**Mr Scott Gericke** joined GIS as a Grade 1 teacher in February this year. In his short time at GIS, he created multiple opportunities for his students to become independent learners in and outside the classroom. We wish Mr. Gericke all the best at his new school in Dubai!

### **Report cards**

Report cards will be issued electronically on the last day of school, 18<sup>th</sup> June 2020 via ManageBac. A notification will be sent to you by email as soon as the report cards become available. Please contact us if you experience difficulties accessing your child's report card.

# MYP Assessment: The difference between a 'Level 0' and 'Not applicable (N/A)'

Parents are reminded that all GIS policies are published on our school website: http://www.gjovikis.no/school-policies/

Policies are 'living documents' and therefore, need amendments from time to time. This year, although most of our students engaged with on-line learning during Covid-19 lockdown, a small number have been challenged to complete summative assessment tasks, including after return to school.

Section 7 of our Assessment Policy has therefore been amended. 'Level 0' continues to be awarded for individual strands or entire MYP rubrics in which no evidence for a response has been shown, including non-submission of work. These results will be considered in combination of results for student's completed work during the year, for determining the MYP Grade.

The following section has been added:

Award of Non-applicable (N/A)

N/A can only be awarded when students have been absent for an extended time, missing assessments. Note: Managebac will not calculate an overall grade when NA is selected for one or more criteria.

(Section 7). New versions posted 11-9-60

Please note, it may be possible for a student who has been absent from school for an extended period to still achieve grades in a few MYP subjects.

We are all looking forward to a return to normality in the 2020-2021 academic year.

Annie Termaat Secondary Principal

### Summer reading programme at Gjøvik library

The programme has been recommended to us by several parents whose children enjoyed it last year. It is a great opportunity for children to develop their love of reading. You can find more information here: <a href="https://www.sommerles.no">www.sommerles.no</a>

#### Lockers and cubbies

Children need to take their belongings home from their cubbies/lockers. Unfortunately, we are unable to let all parents in, so teachers and teaching assistants have been helping children pack their belongings. We would be grateful if you could send plastic bags with your child in the morning and assist them with their belongings in the afternoon according to the schedule below:

17 June – Grade 2 18 June – Grade 1

### **School support contact details**

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

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