



GIS NEWSLETTER

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Code red

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the swift move from code yellow to code red.

I would like to thank all parents for keeping each other informed and making arrangements at this short notice to keep children at home on Monday in order to give GIS staff time to make appropriate arrangements.

A big thank you goes to all staff for getting the school ready so fast for code red requirements!

It was great to see how effectively we can work together as a community towards a common goal.

It may be worth reminding oneself every now and then that all the inconveniences we are facing in fact keep us safer, so let's remain optimistic and support each other.

Adam Armanski

Blended Teaching in the MYP

Both teachers and students learnt a lot about successful on-line routines earlier this year. The procedures outlined below prepare students for successful learning, and will ensure we are able to deliver education with minimum disruption.

Days:

Classes will be alternated between even years (Grades 8 and 9) and odd years (Grades 7 & 9) continuously, for as long as required. If there is a public holiday in the week, the day is not skipped in this alteration.

Face-to-face learning will take place as per the timetable below. On the remaining days, students will switch to online classes.

Monday	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Friday
26 Oct Planning	27 Oct Grades 7 & 9	28 Oct Grades 8 & 10	29 Oct Grades 7 & 9	30 Oct Grades 8 & 10
2 Nov Grades 7 & 9	3 Nov Grades 8 & 10	4 Nov Grades 7 & 9	5 Nov Grades 8 & 10	6 Nov Grades 7 & 9

The Daily MYP timetable is not changed.

Stable routines are very important when external events are uncertain. A current copy of the MYP timetable can be found on the school website

(<http://www.gjovikis.no/academics/myp/>)

Working at home:

A Zoom link should have been pasted directly into MB calendar, through which students can access it. It may be helpful to show the calendar for the relevant subject being taught.

Teachers will be checking attendance by taking a screen shot at a random time during the lesson, so students need to be 'in frame'. It is very important students interact (speak or text) during lessons.

We expect students to be dressed for their 'school day', and sitting upright (i.e., not in pyjamas, not in bed). Their language use and profile images need to be 'professional', as our on-line learning may well be preparing them for the workplaces of the future.

If lessons require photocopied formats, these will be given to students at school on the day before on the lesson before; but PDF scans will also be available on Managebac (we realise not all students have access to a photocopier at home; although this may be a purchase worth considering).

Working at school:

Grade 7 works in Grade 8 classroom

Grade 10 works in Grade 9 classroom

- Desks are labelled – students are NOT to move around.
- Two toilets will be assigned for two MYP classes and cleaned frequently; including at end of day.
- Wet wipes will be available to clean phones & laptops regularly.
- Teachers to move around the class with sanitizer.
- No drinking from taps; own drink bottle.

Let's all continue working together proudly to uphold Norway's excellent global reputation for managing the novel virus!

Annie Termaat
Secondary Principal

Parent-teacher conferences

A big thank you goes to all parents and staff for a successful round of parent-teacher conferences!

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