



GIS NEWSLETTER

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Welcome back!

Happy New Year, everyone! We hope all GIS families had a great break and are ready for another semester. The beginning of 2021 found us on code red for students in Grades 8, 9 and 10. However, Grades 1-7 remain on code yellow. We will inform you of any changes as soon as possible.

Vaccinations in Grade 6 and Grade 10

Please note that according to the vaccination scheme in Norway, Grade 6 students should receive the MMR vaccination and Grade 10 students should receive the IPV vaccination this year. Both groups will be vaccinated by the school nurse: Grade 10 on 20 January and Grade 6 on 26 January. Please find attached permission slips, which need to be returned to the class teacher on the day of the vaccination

at the latest. The students who do not return the permission slip cannot be vaccinated.

Post Grade 10 options for GIS students

Please note that Grade 10 students need to have their own Bank ID (or equivalent) in order to submit applications to selected high schools. Therefore, parents need to ensure the students have their Bank ID (or equivalent) by mid-January 2021 when the application system opens. The deadline to submit applications is 1 March 2021. To learn more about Bank ID please click [here](#).

To learn more about the application system please click [here](#). Please note the system is available only in Norwegian. GIS will assist students in completing their applications, including potential language challenges.

Like last year, GIS will provide detailed information on post-Grade 10 options in Norway and specifically the IB Diploma Programme at Gjøvik High School. The information evenings for students and parents will take place as follows:

21 January 2021 @ 5:00pm

Ms Breivik, careers counsellor at Gjøvik High School, will present all options available to students upon completion of Grade 10

28 January 2021 @ 5:00pm

Ms Øye, Diploma Programme Coordinator at Gjøvik High School, will present the IB Diploma Programme

Please note that due to the current situation, the events are open **ONLY to Grade 10 students and their parents**. Grade 9 families can rest assured GIS will continue providing the same support in the future.

Simple machines?

Grade 2 will be starting on their “How the World Works” unit. During this unit we will be looking at forces and energy with a specific focus on the use of simple machines. To help with hands-on activities, we really need some artefact examples of the use of simple machines. Some examples of items we can use are old bicycles (can be in disrepair), wind-up clocks, and larger watches, and old toys using simple machines such as wheels, cogs, etc. Please do not send in anything that is battery operated.

The intention is to dismantle the bicycles, clocks and watches. Please do not send in things that are of great value and include instructions for any artefacts that you wish to have returned.

Thank you in advance for your help and support.

Grade 2

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