

### GIS NEWSLETTER

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# Deferral of MYP Snow Day to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February, after lunch

Dear parents of MYP students,

We are running into a few logistical problems with supervision and locations for each class, so have found we need a bit more time to plan this. Because of Covid restrictions, we cannot ask for parental support on this occasion.

All students meeting off campus will need to complete separate excursion forms. They will include details relevant for each MYP class. Please ask your children for these forms by Monday next week at the latest.

Annie Termaat Secondary Principal

## Deferral of PYP Snow Fun Day to Thursday, 18 February 19<sup>th</sup> February

Please note that the PYP Snow Fun Day has been rescheduled and will now take place on 18 February at the same time. We expect much better weather next week and, as a result, more fun!

#### St. Valentines' Day Celebrations

**St. Valentine's Day will be celebrated on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February** as a way of promoting love, goodness and care. We see it as an opportunity to teach children about friendship and inclusion as well as model positive emotions like compassion, love, kindness and generosity. The day is a great opportunity to teach children how to be a good friend.

Once again, the student council team has made Valentine postcards available for sale at 1kr a piece for your child to give to their classmates or family members. The Valentine card exchange is to encourage children to demonstrate acts of kindness, compassion and love to one another and also to you parents. Expressing love can be a powerful act to both the recipient and the giver. As always, children are equally welcome to make their Valentine postcard to give to their classmates on **Monday 15**<sup>th</sup> **February**.

Cards will be for sale within the classroom from the Student Council representatives from 10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> February. If you have any questions, please email Mrs. Wanda alice.wanda@gjovikis.no



Thank you,

Student Council Team

#### Short term accommodation needed

One of our staff members with a retired husband is looking for rental accommodation near the school from March (intending to move during the midsemester break).

She will need it for at least 4 months. It is uncertain when she will be able to locate flights from Norway (because Australian borders are effectively closed) so most probably they will also need it a few months beyond June.

If you are able to help, please contact <a href="mailto:post@gjovikis.no">post@gjovikis.no</a>

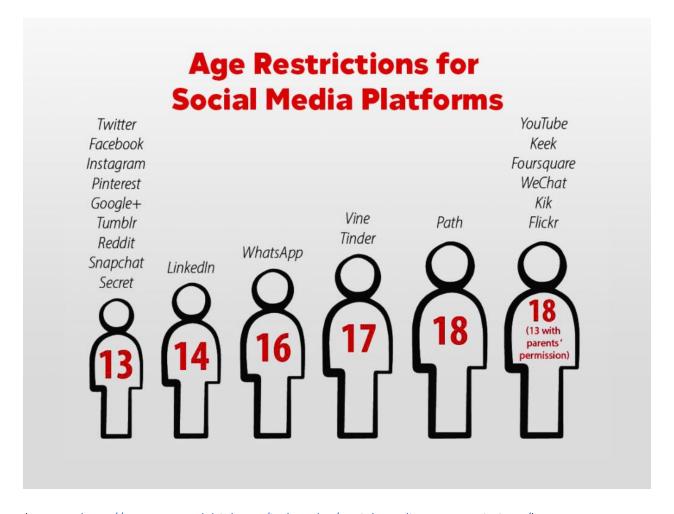
### **Service Age Requirements**

As some lower PYP students at GIS have recently been heard talking about playing a computer game Call of Duty, which is meant for adult players (18+), we would like

to remind you about service age requirements for some social media services as well as games.

We hope you find it useful. Some general information can be found in this newsletter. 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: <a href="http://www.st-paulshigh.net/index.php/social-media-age-restrictions/">http://www.st-paulshigh.net/index.php/social-media-age-restrictions/</a>)

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)

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