

GIS NEWSLETTER

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Next academic year: reminder

We would like to thank the parents who submitted the re-registration/withdrawal form for their child(ren) before the deadline last Friday. It helps us plan more accurately.

Please complete and return the form to <u>post@gjovikis.no</u> or as a hard copy to the class teacher tomorrow (Wednesday).

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

PYP Student-led Portfolio Conferences

This is a reminder that PYP Student-led Portfolio Conferences take place on Tuesday, 5 April 2022. Please remember to sign up for a conference with your child(ren) next week. In order to access the signup system, please log in to ManageBac, click on the nine tiles in the top right corner and select SchoolsBuddy. Please remember to CONFIRM your choice before you log out.



Finally, please remember PYP students do not have classes next Tuesday. They only come to school for their conference. Please note that there is no SFO on Tuesday. However, supervision will be provided to siblings waiting for their brothers/sisters while they are having their conference.

MYP Parent-teacher Conferences

MYP parent-teacher conferences will take place on 5 and 6 April.

MYP teachers are available by appointment from 1:00pm to 3:00pm on 5 April and from 3:30pm to 6:00pm on 6 April. Like in October last year, conferences will be pre-booked with relevant teachers if an area of concern has been identified for a student. The parents of the remaining students are not required to attend conferences. However, they can sign up for selected conferences using our online booking system, which will open on 1 April and close on 4 April.

Prior to this, parents will receive a checklist for each student. Each teacher will have assessed the student on a set of criteria, including overall achievement, participation in class activities, ability to follow instructions, etc.

Book Week

Dear Parents,

Book Week (25th -29th April) is coming up in a month's time. In preparation for this school wide event, PYP students are being introduced this week to the activities that will be happening throughout Book Week. To begin with, students are receiving their reading challenge cards. Students who wish to participate have one month in which to complete their cards and redeem their prize. If a new card is needed, please see Mrs Rasen. Secondly, we have announced our annual Reading in Unusual Places competition. This fun competition allows children to show the entertaining side of reading and only their imagination is their boundary. Students are asked to take a photograph of themselves reading a book in an unusual place. Past examples have been reading in a tree, reading in a boat, and reading whilst walking a dog. Please email Mrs Rasen any entries no later than Wednesday, 27th April. We will also be hosting our Book Swap event throughout Book Week. This is an opportunity for the community to bring a gently used book (in any language) and swap it for a different book from our Book Swap table. This event culminates on 26th April with anyone from the GIS community being allowed to come in to purchase a shopping bag stuffed with books of their choosing for 50kr. If you wish, you may also bring in your own cloth bags for the event. In addition to the Book Swap, we will also hold our last Scholastic Book Club offer for this academic year. Both of these events will allow everyone the opportunity to bring new books into their homes. More information to follow. On the last day of Book Week, we will be holding our beloved dress as your favourite character day. This and many more events will be happening during Book Week. Please keep an eye on the Newsletter for weekly updates of events coming up. If you have any questions regarding Book Week and events happening, please contact Mrs Rasen gwynne.rasen@gjovikis.no

READING IN UNUSUAL PLACES COMPETITION

Book Week is just around the corner and one of the highlights is our Reading in Unusual Places Competition. You could be a winner! Time to get those extremely clever ideas caught on camera!. One winner will be picked by GIS staff for each grade level. Email your photograph to Mrs Rasen no later than Wednesday 27th April.

All photos submitted will be included in the end of the Book Week celebration video to be held on Friday 29th April. We welcome any and all members of the GIS community to submit pictures of them reading in unusual places.



Please email Mrs Rasen at gwynne.rasen@gjovikis.no no later than Wednesday 27th April.

PYP READING CHALLENGE GR 1-3

Book week is coming up. You have until the last day of Book Week (Friday 29th April) to fill in all the squares with a book you have read to collect a prize. Please write down under the challenge the title of the book you read. If you have read a book **for more than 15 minutes**, count it towards another square.

Read at the kitchen table	Read to a friend	Read on a sofa	Read a book that rhymes	Read to your favourite stuffed friend
Read about a place or country	Read lying down	Read a book about a sport or game	Read out loud	Read a book in a language other than English
Read while having a snack	Read in bed	Read a fairy tale	Read a book you have never read before	Read a book outside
Read under a table	Read a book about a real person	Read upside down	Listen to someone read to you	Read a Non Fiction book
Read a book about something that happened a long time ago	Read to someone small	Read a book about an animal	Read standing up	Read with a hat on

PYP READING CHALLENGE GR 4-6

Book week is coming up. You have until the last day of Book Week (**Friday 29th April**) to fill a line horizontally, vertically or diagonally with a book title you have read or listened to. Please write down under the challenge the title of the book you read.

Read at the kitchen table	Read to a friend	Read on a sofa	Read a book that rhymes	Read to your favourite stuffed friend
Read about a place or country	Read lying down	Read a book about a sport or game	Read out loud	Read a book in a language other than English
Read while having a snack	Read in bed	Read a fairy tale	Read a book you have never read before	Read a book outside
Read under a table	Read a book about a real person	Read upside down	Listen to someone read to you	Read a Non Fiction book
Read a book about something that happened a long time ago	Read to someone small	Read a book about an animal	Read standing up	Read with a hat on

Swimming: Grade 2

Today was the last day of swimming for Grade 4 this academic year. Starting next Tuesday, Grade 2 will have their allotted 8 sessions at Tranberghallen on 8 consecutive Tuesday afternoons.

The class will finish lessons at 12:00 as usual, have lunch and leave GIS accompanied by three members of the staff. They will use a taxi to go to and return from Tranberghallen. The students will be brought back to GIS for pick up at 2:45. The parents of the children who use taxi services are responsible for making appropriate arrangements with the taxi company.

Please note that Tranberghallen offers basic facilities with communal showers without cubicles and no hair driers. Only four sockets are available in the changing rooms for boys and four in the changing rooms for girls to plug in a hair drier if students choose to bring their own.

Students must have the following items for each class:

- Swimsuit
- Swim cap (ideally silicone); it is mandatory; please note that students without caps are not allowed to enter the pool
- Two towels: one for body and one for hair
- Soap or shower gel. Body and hair type shower gel is preferred.
- Backpack to keep all these belongings in.
- Swimming goggles are optional but recommended for beginner swimmers
- Hair drier is recommended
- Plastic bags are recommended for wet swimwear and towels to keep the backpack dry.

Let's grow together!

In this section of the weekly newsletter, we would like to invite the GIS community to share interesting resources about education and parenting. Have you read an interesting book or article? Have you watched an inspiring video? Have you seen a thought-provoking image? Don't keep it to yourself! Let us now and we will share it in the newsletter. Please email the link and a brief description to Mr Armanski at adam.armanski@gjovikis.no. Let's help each other broaden our horizons and grow together!

This week, we would like to share with you our MYP COORDINATOR'S PICK. Mr Rowe recommends a <u>YouTube channel</u> with resources regarding the IB Middle Years Programme.

School support contact details

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

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