



## **GIS Newsletter 31**

### **22 April 2025**

## **Swimming for grade 2**

Swimming lessons for Grade 2 will start tomorrow, 23 April.

We will visit the swimming hall to review routines and get familiar with the facility.

For your information, the school organizes transportation to and from the pool.

Note that we won't enter the pool this time; the swimming lessons in the pool will begin next week.

After the visit, students will join the SFO program and spend the day with other groups until they are collected.

Your child does not need to bring any swim wear tomorrow.

## 17 of May Celebration

To estimate how much soda, ice cream, and other items we need to purchase for the 17th of May celebration, please take a moment to respond to this short survey. [17 of May survey](#)



❖ 17th of May at ❖  
❖ Gjøvikregionen International School ❖

We are looking forward to celebrate together as a GIS Community this very special day and we encourage everyone to join! **HURRAY!**

❖ 10.00 ~ *The Parade*

All students meet at Gjøvik Stadium **no later than 09.45:** find the school banner (almost last, in front of Gjøvik Videregående). Remember to bring your flags and wear comfortable shoes!

The parade ends at Gjøvik Gård. It is usually extremely crowded at Gjøvik Gård and it is difficult to ensure effective supervision for large groups, therefore, if you have children in the parade, please collect them as soon as possible.

**This year the pickup-point for GIS will be behind Gjøvikhallen,** we will go there directly after entering Gjøvik Gård. Please be there in time and make sure to let GIS staff know when you pick up your child.

❖ 13.30 - 16.00 ~ *Celebration at the School*

We are very pleased to welcome everyone to our traditional gathering at GIS. The celebration will take place on the football field outside the school. There will be tables and seating. We encourage guests to bring lawn chairs if they wish to.

There will be traditional games for the children (and anyone else). This includes sack races, kubb, lottery and much more.

There will be also a café selling cake, ice cream, hotdogs, pizza, juice (soft), coffee and tea. We would encourage everyone to pay by Vipps! If you do not have Vipps, please bring cash for your purchases. - Thank you!

It would be very helpful if we all make sure to throw away our own used cups and napkins after use. There will be big plastic bags marked with «paper» and «restavfall».  
- Thank you!

*Welcome! - G.I.S. Parent Council*

## Message from the Parent Council

There are still some grades that do not have two parent representatives. Due to the PC guidelines all grades should have two representatives, both to make sure every grade can be present at our meetings but also for each parent representative to have a person to discuss with and to share the overall responsibility. We kindly ask parents of the grades that do not have two representatives to express their interest and sign up for this meaningful role in our community. We remind everyone that the parent representative is representing *the class and the unified voice of each grade*.

We would also like to clarify for all parents that all information from the Parent Council is shared through the meeting minutes. The meeting minutes contain the unified voice of the parent council, meaning that it reflects the majority and conclusions, but doesn't (and shouldn't) reflect all personal views and opinions.

## After-School Clubs – End of Term Update

We hope you and your children have enjoyed the after-school clubs this year! 😊  
Just a quick reminder that all after-school clubs (except *Young Coderz*) have now finished for this school year. We want to thank all the students for their great energy and participation – it's been a lot of fun!  
There will be new club opportunities starting again in the autumn, and we'll share more information about those once the new school year gets closer.  
Please note that the *Young Coderz* club is still running and will continue as planned.

## No mobile phones during school hours

We kindly remind you that MYP students do not have access to their phones during the school day, unless it is on the teacher's demand and in connection with a specific learning activity. MYP students who would like to buy their own lunch at the NTNU café must therefore bring a bank card.

## Welcoming the return of spring

*It is important to teach or remind our children about appropriate clothing. Please, check that your child has*

- *outdoor clothing for both sunny and rainy days*
- *rain boots*
- *indoor shoes*
- *dry and clean clothes to change into if wet or muddy*
- *drink bottle.*

*Referring to last week's newsletter: if your child is missing any equipment, please see our lost and found station by the main entrance.*



## Student absences in Toddle

To help streamline communication, please use Toddle to report your child's absences, including sick days or medical appointments (e.g., dentist visits).

◆ **Daily Absence Reporting:** Remember to log your child's absence in Toddle for **each day** they are away (e.g., Day 2, Day 3, etc.).

◆ **Planned Absences & Holidays:** Requests for leave due to holidays or other planned absences must still be submitted using the **Application for Leave** form. Absences submitted through Toddle or email **cannot** be approved for this purpose.

📌 You can find the **leave application form** here: <https://gjovikis.no/school-life/leave-of-absence/>

## Skolelyst

### Interested in the Skolelyst Program?

If you'd like to enroll your child in the **Skolelyst program** for milk and yoghurt, please check out the [anached link](#) for more informa8on and registra8on details.


You can also visit the **front office** at school for assistance or further information. Don't miss out on this great opportunity! 🥛😊🥛😊

## School Contact Details

### Contact Information for Key Areas

If you have any questions or concerns about the following maners, please contact the relevant person:

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- **SFO (After-School Program)**

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