

# GIS Newsletter 39 17 June 2025

#### Last Day of the Year

The last day of this academic year is the 19. June. This is also a half day, and students will be finishing at 12:00.

We would recommend that students bring in some bags to take their items home for the summer as we will be undergoing a clean and will not be able to store any items left behind.

Please can you make sure to return the electronic devices loaned out to students at the start of the year. This will enable the school to ensure that any maintenance required / software and applications are updated so that students can start the year as quickly and readily as possible.

This does not apply for grade 9 students who want to work on their personal project over the summer. If this is you, please let Mr Thoresen know.

Lastly, we have a few of our community leaving us as this academic year comes to an end.

We would like to thank you all for making this school a better plance. Whether you are returning next year or heading off to new adventures, remember that you are always a part of this community.

Have a great summer!

# **End-of-year survey for GIS Parents**

We are inviting you to complete this end-of-year survey.

The goal of this survey is to assess the quality of education and the school environment from the perspective of parents. The survey is anonymous, which means we will not know who have answered these questions. We will not analyse individual data, we are only interested in how well the school is doing overall. You'll find the survey here: <a href="End-of-year survey">End-of-year survey</a>

## **Re-registration Forms**

Thank you for your feedback regarding your child's places for next year. We do still have a few families who have not completed the forms telling us of your intentions. If you haven't yet, please do let us know. A paper copy is available in the front office or if you want an electronic version, we emailed them out previously, but we can send you a new one if you would like.

## **Returning School Library Books**

All library books are due by Thursday 19 June at 4PM. No new books will be loaned this week to help students find and return any missing items before the holidays. Please keep this in mind if you are leaving early for your holidays. No new books will be loaned this week to help students and their families to locate any books and return them.

## **Swimming for Grade 2**

The swimming lessons have now finished for all classes this year. Grade 2 will therefore finish at the normal time tomorrow and students will be able to be collected from 12 or follow their usual arrangements from the SFO.

#### **SFO Next Year**

An email was sent out to parents and guardians earlier this month regarding the SFO. We are delighted to remind you that we will be offering 12 hours of free SFO per week for students in 1st to 3rd grade. For our students in 4th grade, the same rules as in previous years will apply. This is a fantastic opportunity for your children to participate in various activities and enjoy their time outside school hours.

Everyone who wants to use SFO must fill out the SFO application form that was attached in the email. If you cannot find it, please don't worry – come into the school office and we can share it with you. This ensures that we have all the necessary information to secure a spot for your child in our program.

We kindly asked you to submit the SFO application form by 1 August 2025 to guarantee your child a spot in our program but if you havent had a chance then please do contact us with a completed form.

In addition, we would like to remind you that if your family's total annual income is less than NOK 550,000, you may be eligible for reduced pricing on SFO. If you wish to apply for this benefit or if you have any questions regarding SFO, please do not hesitate to contact us at <a href="mailto:leif.olav.thoresen@gjovikis.no">leif.olav.thoresen@gjovikis.no</a>.

We look forward to seeing many of your children enrolled in the SFO next school year. If you have any further questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to us. We are here to help and support you in any way we can.

# **MYP Student Led Conferences**

Following the success of the PYP Student-led conference the other week, and as in keeping with previous years, we are aiming to have a MYP Student-led conference in the last week of term on Wednesday the 18<sup>th</sup> June (tomorrow).

If you haven't yet gotten a time slot, you will be contacted with the necessary information for the conferences by the homeroom teachers shortly.

## **Summer Reading**

Don't forget to join the <u>Sommerlese</u> programme at the <u>local Public Library!</u> Students can log their reading, earn points, and win prizes – a fun way to keep reading all summer long!

**Sommerles.no** is a national, digital summer reading campaign for all children in grades 1–7, organised by libraries. Our goal is to get as many children as possible to read as much as possible during the long summer break. **Sommerles.no** runs from June 1st to August 31st each year, and participation is completely free.

To join, go to **Sommerles.no** and create a profile for your child. Because the children are under 15 years old, they need consent from you, their guardians, in order to participate. For this reason, children must register using a guardian's email address. During registration, you will provide the child's name, library card number, age, gender, and which library you belong to. Everyone chooses a nickname when registering, so it's possible to remain completely anonymous if desired.

Being part of **Sommerles.no** should be fun! For every book the children read and register on the website, they earn points and gradually level up. They receive digital trophies for this, as well as physical prizes that can be collected at the library.

Sommerles also features a specially written story by author **Mari Moen Holsve**, where two brave children, **Astrid and Asbjørn**, embark on new adventures every year. Feel free to read the story together or listen to it as an audio file on **Sommerles.no**.

For more information please have a look at: <a href="https://altom.sommerles.no/for-foresatte/">https://altom.sommerles.no/for-foresatte/</a>

## 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.

#### **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: <a href="https://gjovikis.no/school-life/leave-of-absence/">https://gjovikis.no/school-life/leave-of-absence/</a>

#### **Lost and Found**

There is a large amount of clothing in our lost and found.

We agree that it is important to teach or remind our children about appropriate clothing, but it is also important for us to look after our items.

If your child is missing any equipment, please see our lost and found station by the main entrance.

Please collect all your children's belongings no later than Thursday 18 June.

Item's left after this date may be donated or disposed of.



## **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 <u>anached</u> <u>link</u> 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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