

Welcome to

IES Växjö Newsletter

1 March 2024



Dear Parents,

Spring has finally arrived, bringing with it the light we've long awaited. Our school has returned to its busy schedule following the sportlov break. The students are happy to be back to their studies in preparation for the upcoming National Tests.

As part of our community outreach, we offer a variety of after-school activities for students to participate in. Whether they require assistance with their studies or wish to spend time to their hobbies, we provide opportunities such as the music club and art club, where students from junior to senior can socialise with friends and teachers whilst exploring different hobbies. For our younger pupils in primary school, our Fritids team continues to do exceptional work in keeping them busy. In addition to our annual Valentine's Day visit to the retirement home in Växjö, students can also enjoy various activities together, including painting, crafting gifts, playing football, and "tag" game, etc.

During week 9, our school leadership met up with parents for the third PTA meeting to discuss upcoming activities and gathered ideas and support. We are glad to witness the growth of our school in our commitment in helping students to reach their full potential. Next PTA meetings is scheduled on 9 April (16:00-17:00) and we will plan on activities for summer. We will continue to keep you posted about these initiatives.

Finally, we wish you a delightful spring weekend!

Best regards,
IES Växjö



Messages to parents



Håll-Sverige-rent (Keep-Sweden-Clean) campaign is approaching!

As part of the national campaign in Sweden, all students will take part in helping and keeping our school community free of litter.

They will work within their Houses to collect litter and compete to be the best "skräphjälte" (Cleaning Hero)! Don't worry, they will be provided with gloves and other resources to collect the litter.

For more information on Håll-Sverige-rent campaign, please visit this website: <https://hsr.se/>



Attention to year 4-8's parents: IES Växjö Music Club welcomes new members, 15:15-16:15 every Monday!

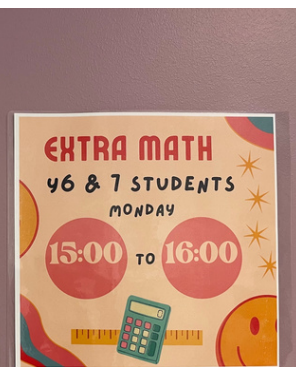
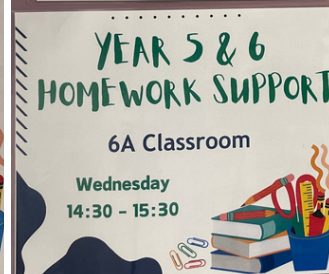
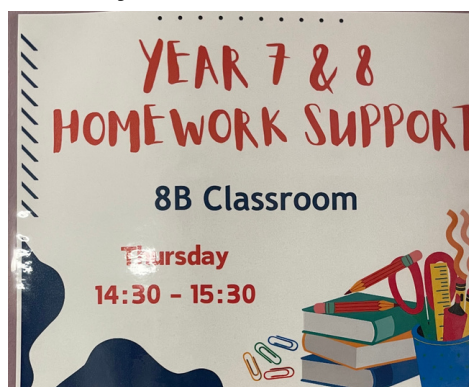
If your child is interested in joining the IES Växjö Music Club, parent consent is needed. You can collect a consent form from our music teacher, Mr Söderholm (please email to him at tobias.soderholm.vaxjo@engelska.se) or from our reception.

We warmly welcome every junior and senior student to come, play music and to make friends.



Homework support is provided for students from Year 4 to Year 8.

If your child wishes to participate, please let mentors know. It is not statutory so students are free to come and go when they need to.



Merit board

Congratulations to:

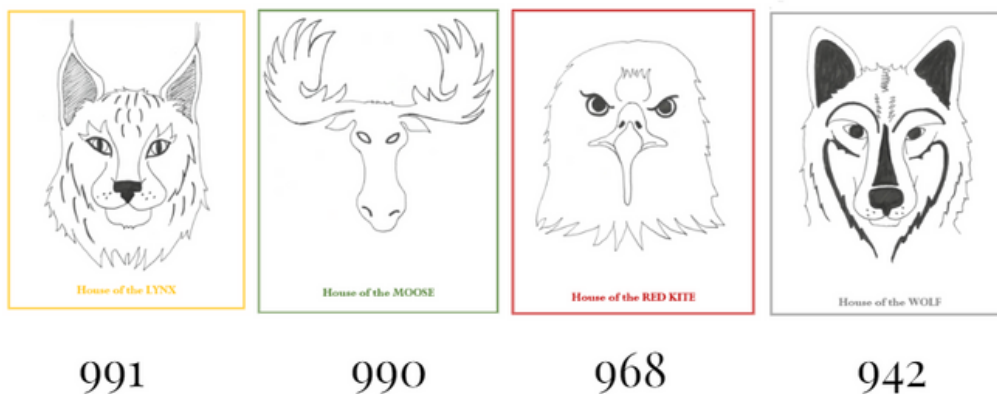
1a: 106 slips
1b: 53 slips
2a: 114 slips
3a: 102 slips
4a: 112 slips
5a: 133 slips
6a: 59 slips
7a: 79 slips
7b: 78 slips
8a: 94 slips
8b: 37 slips



964 merit slips in total! Very close to 1000!

Those slips have significantly contributed points to their houses. Accordingly, House LYNX has gained the first position in a while. Congratulations to LYNX with 991 points, MOOSE with 990 points, RED KITE with 968 points and WOFL with 942 points!

~ House Points week 8 ~



Over sportlov, you received an email from our assistant principal regarding the merit slips. If you have further questions, you are welcome to email us at info.vaxjo@engelska.se.

Classroom News

Primary

FA class with Ms Antonov

Have you ever wondered how our mentors greet their students each morning before lessons? Ms Antonov exemplifies this with her imaginative methods to engage the children as they begin their day. Whether it's a 'Hej!', a warm hug, an enthusiastic high five, or a unique hand or body gesture, the options for greetings are as diverse as the students themselves. This helps the students to make choices in how they engage with others. Every student in the F-class is encouraged to explore various approaches, and to build up their independence whenever possible.

Year 1 - Science (Biology) with Ms.

Matthiasdottir

As we continue our exploration of the human body and health, we've been learning about the names of different human body parts and experiencing light, sound, heat, taste, and smell in different ways. Consequently, the teachers are guiding the children to consider the importance of eating healthy foods, doing regular exercise, and nurturing social relationships with their parents, teachers and friends. The aim of the subject is to equip students with the knowledge of biological concepts and the skills to communicate and take action in relation to the environment and health. Furthermore, the students also gain an understanding of the importance of caring for nature and develop an appreciation for the simple, but essential things in life like the food they eat and the water they drink.



Classroom News

Primary

Year 2 - Mathematics with Ms Nilsson

Prior to sportlov, 2A started working on multiplication and has since continued practising it. The teachers observed that students may have varying levels of proficiency in mathematics, so they have customised their teaching approach by working on additional spreadsheets for students that want extra challenge. Any students needing extra support can work in a smaller group with Ms Hallak. There are always two teachers to work together in mathematics to give the support that the students need.



Year 3 with Mr Raheem

The students returned to their classroom to find such a nice surprise prepared by their teacher during sportlov. Mr Raheem created a 'Läshörna' (reading corner), a cozy spot in the classroom where students can read in calmness and comfort. He emphasized the importance of reading habit from a young age and how this practice can support young minds in acquiring knowledge and expanding their vocabulary. As the motto goes in 3A class, "Kunskap är coolt", year 3 is encouraged to develop a strong relationship with knowledge through various activities, with reading being a pivotal initiative.



The children were over the moon about it! They posed numerous questions about their new 'Läshörna'. They learned how to take care of it so that everyone can benefit from it as long as possible.

3A - Mathematics

Following the introduction of their new reading corner, year 3 continued their 'Matte' workbook. Some students found the tasks challenging, while others found them straightforward. Mr Raheem emphasized that the objective of the exercises is not merely completion, but rather an opportunity to attempt them, allowing him to assess each every student's capacity in mathematics.



Classroom news

Junior - Senior

Year 6 - Mathematics with Mr Hartzenberg

The lessons have been engaging, as usual, with many hands raised for questions and feedback throughout the lesson with Mr Hartzenberg.

This week, the students reviewed the concepts of different timelines and angles in geometry. The students were challenged to solve mathematical problems using equations, which are crucial for their practice before the National Tests take place.

At the end of the lesson, there was a challenge and one of the students succeeded in solving it.

The student was then given a merit for the effort.



Please kindly note with your children the importance of practising equations during homework support or at home to prepare for National Tests. If your child needs more practice, Mr. Harzenberg is happy to provide additional worksheets on Google Classroom. Please send a note or email him at jacques.hartzenberg.vaxjo@engelska.se.

Calling all Year 6 to year 8 Students for the IES Eurovision Music Video Contest!

We invite all year 6 to year 8 students to showcase their talents and submit their music videos to compete amongst IES schools as well as other European countries. For further information, students can talk to their Modern Foreign Language (MFL) teachers:

- Mr Nonet (French)
- Ms Montiel (Spanish)
- Ms Franzke (German)

Submission deadline: April 19, 2024.



Greetings from Fritids junior!

We're excited to share with you about our annual Valentine's Day tradition of visiting the nearby elderly home. This year, we crafted cards and paintings to gift to the retired residents, bringing them great joy with our visit. Our students were also inspired to spread positivity and kindness through this heartwarming gesture.



Classroom News Junior - Senior

Year 7, French with Mr Erlandsson and Mr Nonet

Even when Mr Nonet was away for his education training at the beginning of the week, he carefully prepared vocabulary assignments for the class to practise. Mr Erlandsson was happy to be able to cover the French lessons since he has chance to share his French knowledge and interest in his studies with year 7. During week 9, the students also watched a movie in French, Ratatouille, which they had to write their own critic reviews later by using the vocabularies they have. Mr Nonet then reviewed it, and gave feedback on their work.



Year 8, German with Ms. Franzke

The twinning programme in German continues to thrive. Many students have shown interest in the projects they share with German learners across Europe. It's truly exciting to study and collaborate with friends beyond our borders.



This week, students have been creating logos using Canva as part of their project. They have become increasingly engaged when their skills and imagination are put to the test. Meanwhile, other students in the class have been working on writing a book in German about the character Markus. Their efforts extend beyond Sweden, as their hard work is being observed and given feedback by their peers and teachers in Italy, Greece, Turkey, France, and beyond. How intriguing it is to be part of something bigger!

Message from Senior Common Room:



"In week 10, year 7 had the Common Room to themselves because year 8 will have started PRAO during that week."

Mr Holmgren, Head charge of Senior Common Room

Beautiful memories captured in pictures



"Drinking cups" corner in year 3



"Läshörna" in year 3, the children were over the moon about it. "This is SO cool!", said Ellinor in year 3.



It's lovely to go to work and meet your best mate there. That's what Mr. Holmgren and Mr. Dagnell have at our school.

Mr Holmgren works in Fritids while Mr Dagnell works as a Special Education Teacher with us. We are happy to have them in the team.



Fritids children were busy with their hand-made gifts

Information



Nordrest

Lunchmeny - vecka/week 10

Måndag

- ❖ Pyttipanna. Serveras med ägg och rödbetor.

Tisdag

- ❖ Kycklingschnitzel. Serveras med pommes/stekt potatis currycreme/bearnaisesås.

Onsdag

- ❖ Spagetti med köttfärsås och parmesanost.

Torsdag

- ❖ Krämig kycklingsoppa. Serveras med nybakat bröd och ost eller kalkon.

Fredag

- ❖ Dillkött på högrev. Serveras med kokt potatis/ris och pressgurka.

Monday

- ❖ Swedish "pyttipanna". Served with beetroots and fried eggs.

Tuesday

- ❖ Chicken schnitzel. Served with french fries/roasted potatoes and curry cream or bearnaise sauce.

Wednesday

- ❖ Spaghetti bolognese with parmesan.

Thursday

- ❖ Chicken soup. Served with freshly baked bread and cheese or turkey meat.

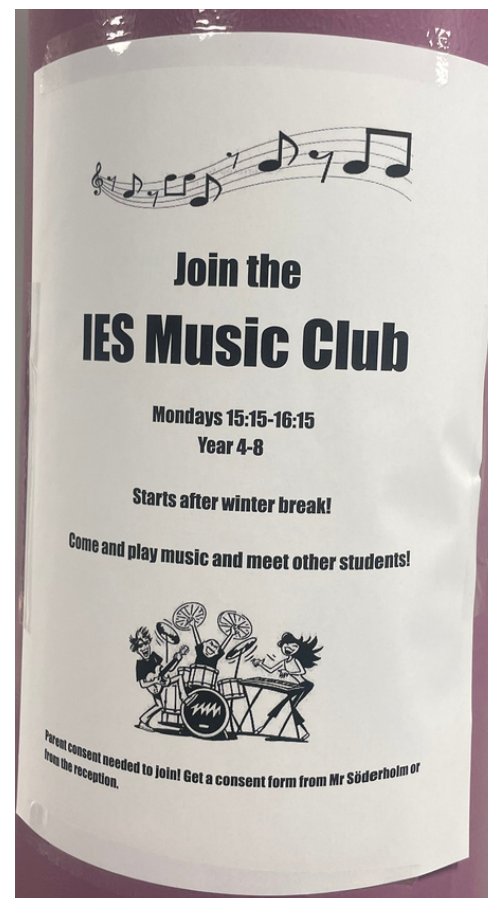
Friday

- ❖ Chuck roll cooked in dill. Served with boiled potatoes/rice and pickled cucumber.

Lunch menu week 10



IES Music video making content
Deadline for submission is 19 April 2024.



IES Music Club is open for applications.
Please register your child with their mentors.
The students are welcome to come, play music and make new friends.



Upcoming Parent events

Next PTA meeting will be on 9 April (from 16:00-17:00), we will plan ahead the activities for summer. The Parent Café will be on 22 March.
Warm welcome!



Kommande

PTA meeting Föräldraföreningsmöte

 **Tuesday, 9 April**
16:00-17:00
Skolmatsalen/Lunch hall

We really look forward to your presence



Parent Café Föräldracafé

 **Friday, 22 March**
08:00-9:00
Skolmatsalen/Lunch hall

We really look forward to your presence