

Welcome to IES Växjö Newsletter 19 March 2024



Dear Parents,

We are proud to share that our school has surpassed 1000 merit slips! A big shout-out to the efforts of every student, teacher, and staff member.

In week 9, we implemented a "buddy system" throughout our school and discussed with students at all levels how to care for their new friends who have recently joined our school or moved to Växjö. The purpose of the "buddy system" is to ensure that new students feel welcomed and have the best possible start in their new environment. Additionally, it serves as an initiative to promote kindness, compassion, and early leadership among all students.

During week 10, we had a parent from Linneuniversitetet who came in to present about the topic of dyslexia and further methods for addressing it in an educational setting. We sincerely thank him for his contribution to our efforts in enhancing student experience and success. In the same week, year 8 students were away from school because of their PRAO. Our principal, assistant principal, Mr Milosevic and SYV made PRAO visits to ensure that the placements were progressing smoothly. This week, year 8 returned to the school and presented their PRAO experience to year 7 to help prepare them for their future PRAO experience.

Last but definitely not least, we also celebrated International Women's Day on the 8th of March, where we discussed women's rights conventions in Sweden and the concept of equality in our society. On this occasion, we would like to extend our warmest wishes and appreciation to all of our amazing women at IES Växjö and in our community.

Wishing you a pleasant week! IES Växjö

Messages to parents



Reminder: Photo consent is required ASAP.

Over sportlov, an email was sent out to all parents whose child's consent hasn't been received. Please make sure it is returned to our reception as soon as possible. Alternatively, you can send a digital version via email: info.vaxjo@engelska.se.

The form can be downloaded by clicking at the link below: Consent form



Attention to year 4 to year 8's parents: Exciting updates from IES Växjö Art Club

In May we will have a month-long art exhibition here at the school for both students and teachers who are members of IES Växjö Art club. There is a double theme for this exhibition, fantasy and animals (think magic, faeries, dragons, castles). The children can combine these themes or focus on one. Any material can be used. If you have any questions, send me an email at maja.henson.vaxjo@engelska.se. Hope to see some contributions from of you!

P.S.: if your child is interested in joining IES Växjö Art club, a consent is required to submit to our reception or to Ms Henson.



Ms Henson, Art teacher



If you have a booked appointment with your child's class mentors:

- In case you are unable to attend or anticipate being late, please notify the teacher or our reception in advance so we can accommodate other parents.
- Please arrive on time, and come prepared with any questions you may have.
- Please sign in and out at our reception as you arrive and depart.



Mentors monthly phone call: Week 12

Please try your best to prioritize your time for the call.





Welcome new staff!

Please join us in welcoming Ms Klockare as our new school nurse, commencing on March 14th. We are delighted to have her to our team. We extend our thanks to Ms Gajic for her support during the transition period as our temporary school nurse.

Ms Jenny Lindholm, Head of School Nurses, will visit the school in in week 11 to ensure that Ms Klockare receives all necessary training and support for a successful start with us.



From School start up to week 11, congratulations to the top 3 classes:

5A: 139 merit slips
 2A: 114 merit slips
 4A: 113 merit slips

In total, 1060 merit slips have been awarded – a remarkable achievement from both students and staff! The 1000th merit slip was earned by a senior in 7B, whilst the student with the highest number of slips is a senior in 7A, who earned 13 slips in a single week. Fika with Mr Principal is just around the corner!



These slips have significantly contributed points to their respective Houses. Congratulations to MOOSE with 1084 points, WOLF with 1066 points, and RED KITE: 1083 points & LYNX with 1018 points! MOOSE has particularly excelled this week, thanks to the outstanding efforts of its house members!

~ House Points week 11 ~









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Classroom News Primary

F-Class with Ms. Kolevski

F-class recently had two visitors from Växjö City Library, Magnus and Bra who brought storytelling sessions to their Swedish lesson. Instead of reading from books, they engaged the children directly in the stories. The teacher and the whole class sat attentively and listened to them, the children also got involved by standing up and participating actively during the storytelling.

The children enjoyed hearing about a variety of animal characters in the fairytales: Den modiga tuppen (The Brave Rooster, Gubben som fick tre önskningar (The Old Man Who Got Three Wishes), Bockarna Bruse (The Goats Bruse), Katten och Råttan (The Cat and the Rat) and Råttan på repet (The Rat on the Rope). It was such a delightful experience, offering us a chance to engage stories told by the experts themselves.

Meeting new people and experiencing a different storytelling format within the familiar environment of our school made the experience enriching and comfortable for every child in F-class.





1A with Mr Abbas

Swedish - The children made impressive progress during the intensive reading week theme in primary school. Mr Abbas had a strategy to engage students in reading and expand their vocabulary daily. Whether through the introduction of a board displaying new words outside their classroom or promoting a calm reading environment, every effort was made to equip the children with the tools they needed to excel in learning. All the children are encouraged to learn their new words any time, and 1A showed great interest in sharing the new words they learned. Well done, 1A!

NO - In weeks 9 and 10, 1A also focused on two main topics. In week 9, they explored the intricacies of the human body, then in week 10 was an introduction to different seasons of the year.

SO - Together with the whole school, the children in 1A also celebrated International Women's Day on the 8th of March. Specifically, the students have learnt about women's rights, equality in our society. We believe that with the foundational knowledge they are acquiring today, these students will grow into future independent and empowered women who are capable of reaching their full potential.



The students have started their National Tests in Swedish and Maths from 11 March to 17 May. Best of luck, 3A!



Classroom news Junior

Year 4: English with Ms Hartzenberg

This week year 4 jump-started the lesson by a challenge "Tounge Twister"

TOUNGE TWISTER

Whether the weather be cold, or whether the weather be hot, we'll weather the weather, whatever the weather, whether we like it or not.

Then the students worked in pairs for "Think-Pair-Share" activities about sharing fun sports they have in winter or summer. The purpose of the task is for the students to be able to give well structured opinions, explanations and narratives for different purposes. The sessions were about presenting, and how to gain, maintain, monitor and regain the interest of listeners to the conversation.



Year 6 with Ms Mistode and Ms Thureson

The students had National Tests in Swedish/SVA on Tuesday and Thursday, week 11.

The teachers are working hard on grading and will share the results with feedbacks in this term.



IES Växjö Music club has finally started with its first key members from year 4 and year 6. Leading our music club is Mr Söderholm, our music teacher.

Our plan for all members is to rehearse for our forthcoming school concerts including Graduation, Summer concert, and Lucia.

All music club members are now practising for our school concerts like Graduation, Lucia or Summer concert.



Classroom News Senior

Year 7 - HKK with Ms Henson

During week 9 and 10, year 7 learned how to make Mexican dishes. Transitioning into week 11, they made our unique recipes centered around potatoes. Throughout the course, the primary focus of the subject is to learn about food safety, kitchen safety, and hygiene practices.



7A with Mr Hartzenberg and Mr Karlsson

The students maximised their time by reviewing our work in SO, Swedish, and Maths. Each student has the chance to choose what they need to improve, and their teachers are there to oversee their progress. They are preparing for the exams and assessments.

Year 8 - Work Experience Orientation Week (PRAO)

During their PRAO, Year 8 students were away from school. Mr Owens, Mr Milosevic, Mr Asllani, and Mr Pfaus visited students at their work placements. They were so proud of the students, noting that positive feedback has received from their supervisors.



During PRAO, Year 8 students exhibited excellent manners, punctuality, and initiative, qualities highly valued by the staff. Ms Pfaus also visited schools and preschools where our students were placed, receiving positive feedback from the small children there that they really enjoyed the company from year 8 students as well. "Such feedback warms our hearts" said Ms Pfaus, she eagerly looks forward to reading and listening to the presentations from this week later this term. These presentations will also be shared with Year 7 to aid in their preparation for their own future PRAO next year.



Beautiful memories captured in pictures



Happy International Women's Day!
May you get All the Support and Appreciation
that you deserve!





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Fritid children were busy making card to send to their beloved teachers and staff members to celebrate International Women's Day.



Beautiful memories captured in pictures







The rear of the school on a sunny day.



Year 1 student was revising his Maths lesson.



Recess fun time in the sun!





Information

Next Parent Café will be on 22 March. Warm welcome!





Lunchmeny - vecka 12

Måndag

 Kycklingschnitzel med pommes/rostad potatis, bearnaisesås eller currycreme.

Tisdag

 Pannbiff med lök. Serveras med kokt/rostad potatis och brunsås.

Onsdag

Pasta carbonara med parmesan.

Torsdag

 Mustig köttfärssoppa. Serveras med nybakat bröd och ost.

Fredag

Chili con carne med ris och nachochips.

Monday

 Chicken schnitzel with fries/roasted potatoes, bearnaise or curry sauce.

Tuesday

 Hamburger with fried onions. Served with potatoes/roasted potatoes and gravy.

Wednesday

Pasta carbonara with parmesan cheese.

Thursday

 Rich meat soup. Served with freshly baked bread and cheese.

Friday

Chili con carne with rice and nacho chips.

Information on Ramadan to all students and staff. Happy Ramadan to those who celebrate. Ramadan Mubarak!



Lunch menu this week