

# MHG NEWS

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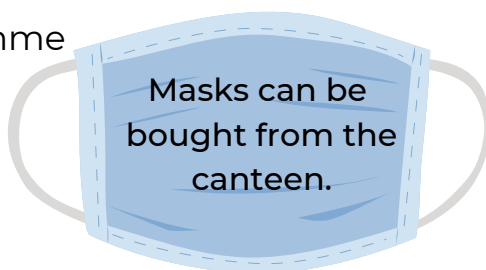
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## WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

- MHG Instagram is taken over by our graduate student and Biology teacher Kirstin Karis on Jan 26. Follow us #mhgtartu
- Henrik Sova, the Philosophy teacher, defends his Doctor's Thesis on Jan 27.
- Martin Pent, the Biology teacher, has published an article on edasi.org with the title "Õpetada või teenindada, selles on küsimus" (Teach or Serve - that is the Question)
- The new CEO of KiVa programme is our graduate student Carmen-Kristiina Parik.



## BIRTHDAYS

**25.01** PILLE ERIKSOO  
**26.01** MADIS KAHRO  
**27.01** MARET VAAB  
**29.01** TÕNIS ASSON  
**30.01** MERIKE URBAS





## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Jan 26–28 – UPT defence
- Jan 26 – regional round of the Estonian language Olympiad; 1b visiting Tartu Art Museum
- Jan 27 – regional round of the Mathematics Olympiad; 1st semester grading period ends in basic school
- Jan 28 – Translation competition of German language for secondary school students; 1a visiting Tartu Art Museum
- Jan 29 – deadline for submitting grade 9 personal projects (Estonian classes); regional round for the National Olympiad in English for secondary school students; Teachers' Council meeting no 1; 8a class evening
- Jan 30 – regional round of the Biology Olympiad

### Let's build a snow park!

The first fun creatures have already made it to the MHG snow park. Wonderful weather conditions provide for the best conditions to start building. Let's get to it!





The Yourh Council of Tartu will be electing new members already on January 27.

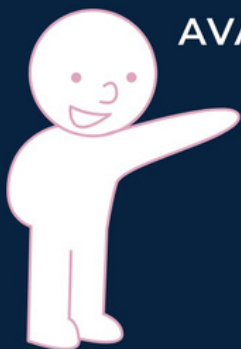


Candidates from MHG: Liisi Haljasorg ja Sandra Laur.

- Voting period – January 27–29!
  - Voting is open at the age of 14–20
  - Meet the candidates at <https://www.volis.ee/gvolis/osale/>
  - How to vote?
1. Enter the website: <https://www.volis.ee/gvolis/osale/> and log in (ID-card, Smart-ID, Mobile-ID).
  2. Give your vote!



**AVATUD USTE PÄEV 1. KLASSI ASTUJATE VANEMATELE  
JUBA 1. VEEBRUARIL  
KELL 18.30!**



*Rohkem infot ja Zoomi link!*







## **HISTORY CORNER**

### **The story of the school flag**

At the beginning, the school did not have its own flag. Approaching the 25th anniversary of MHG (1931), discussions were held during the meeting of the Parents' Committee (17.09) about what to give the school as a present. everyone agreed with the proposal to present a flag. It was thought that the flag would cost at about 200–300 kroons and the colours were proposed to be the national colours (blue-black-white) but the combination was to be decided by the Flag Committee. The Flag Committee's member was also **Elisabeth Luiga**, the Head of Studies at the time. A week after the meeting (25.09) the Flag Committee introduced the sketch of the flag to the parents: **one side of the flag was vintage pink with the school's logo in the middle, and the other side was white with a sun rising and the name of the school.** The cost of the flag was estimated for 250 kroons. The flag design got approved. A couple of weeks later (09.10), after it had turned out that it is not possible to get the silk in the vintage pink colour neither from Tartu nor from Tallinna, the discussions started again. There was no time to order the fabric from abroad anymore, so they debated whether it would be reasonable to paint the fabric instead. But that would have brought extra cost and risks. Therefore, they decided to abandon the pink colour and replace it with blue, that was available at the time, thinking that it was even more appropriate. **The committee confirmed blue and white as the official flag colours of the school flag** stating that the blue was more appropriate than pink. (RA. EA. 3460.1.663, I.49-51)

With the Soviet regime, the use of all previous symbols had been forbidden and it was not possible to use the school flag they had had anymore. So, when the school received the name of Miina Härma (in 1964, the composer's 100th birthday), then the Parents' Committee decided to present the school with a flag once more. The design of the flag still had the colours and the design of the flag from 1931. **The school name and logo were embroidered with yellow on the white background.** (Sajandi kool. Sada aastat Miina Härma Gümnaasiumi. Tartu 2006. pg.103). **Today's flag of MHG is also white with the embroidery of the name and logo in yellow.** We have also started to use the vintage pink colour again as fragments in addition to the official colours as well as **Roosa Raadio** (Pink Radio) that portrays the teachers of our school.