

MHG NEWS

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MIINA HÄRMA GÜMNAASIAM
NEWSLETTER

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SCHOOL YEAR 2022/2023



WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

- We are pleased to announce that all six of our folk dance groups, including the alumni group, qualified for the XIII Youth Song and Dance Festival. After the inspections, Härmatis 4-5 shared 1st-2nd places in the national ranking, and all the other groups were among the best in Estonia. A big thanks to Anita Kreen, all the dancers and backup troops!
- The performances will take place on 30 June and 1 July.
- Buy tickets [HERE](#)

BIRTHDAYS

- 04.04** Jannar Tähepõld
- 06.04** Jelena Nikolajeva
- 07.04** Ivika Hein
- 07.04** Kirstin Karis
- 09.04** Heli Lätt
- 11.04** Janika Kaljula





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- On 1 April, the final round of the Estonian Literature Olympiad of the Estonian Association of Teachers of Modern Literature took place at Miina Härma Gümnaasium. Teacher Ivika Hein was a member of the organising committee. Our 9th-10th grade team, consisting of **Iris Kivi**, **Linda Maria Pool** and **Ellen Hiiemari Möls**, won 4th place, and the 11th-grade team, consisting of **Mirtel Tähepõld**, **Maria Kuris** and **Matilda Mägi**, was awarded the 12th place.



- In the preliminary round of the Maths competition NUPUTA Tartu held on 30 March, **MHG I team** won 2nd place among the 7th grades. **MHG II team** came 5th. With this result, the MHG I team qualified for the final competition.
- On 29 March, **Laura Karolina Gradickaite** (11c) was awarded 8th place in the Russian language competition for secondary school pupils in the city of Tartu in the category of pupils graduating from Estonian-language basic schools. **Alina Priks** (12b) took 2nd place in the category of pupils graduating from Russian-medium primary schools, **Amelia Zaytseva** (10b) 5th, **Polina Trubatšova** (12b) 8th and **Sofja Tretjakova** (11a) 11th. The students were supervised by Jelena Nikolajeva.



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- The MHG team came first in the Tartu Schools Open Chess Cup Tournament on 2 April. Mihkel Tomson (10b) was the individual winner, Linda Maria Pool (9b) achieved 5th place, and Märt Mattias Alas (3b) shared 14th-15th place.
- Mia Karolina Altküla (11a) will be travelling to the World Debating Championships as a member of the Estonian team! WSDC 2023 will take place in Vietnam from 18-28 July.
- On March 27th, the 7th-9th grade boys played volleyball in the EKSL school league and achieved 2nd place among Tartu schools. Playing for our school were: Tinto Kuusk (9b), Ekke Villem Laanoja (9b), Kaarel Kull (9a), Karl Markus Sarapuu (9a), Roland Saar (8b), Uku Raudmäe (8b), Aron-Madis Karelson (8b), Villem Piirimäe (8b) and Andre Hal (8b).
- In the national competition of the Estonian Music Schools Association, "Best Young Instrumentalist 2023", Janno Lani (euphonium) achieved 3rd place in 4th grade. (Tartu II Music School, teacher Gunnar Pettaig, concertmaster Kaja Bleive)
- On 22 March, Geia Rõivas (10a) participated in the work shadowing day at the Ministry of Justice. Kaidi Lippus, Head of the Courts Service, supervised the day. During the day, Geia could participate in meetings and group work. She also got a more detailed overview of the work of the Department of Justice Administration Policy.
- 31.03-2.04, The first World Championships of gymnastics in 2023 took place in Sofia, Bulgaria, where Emili Saar (9b) of the junior group Diente of Janika Gymnastics Club participated. The group achieved a very high 4th place in the international competition. The next rounds of the World Championships will take place in France and Finland at the end of April and May.





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- An exhibition of the work of grade 10 B1 French students is on display in the lobby of the school building on the 1st floor, next to classroom 104. It is made up of four posters presenting the districts of Tartu and their voices. The selection includes the city centre, Karlova, Supilinn and Raadi-Kruusamäe. The posters are audio-annotated, and QR codes can be used to



listen to the introductions in French, see photos and anything else that students have thought they should add. The project was supervised by teacher Aija Sprivil-Dautancourt.

Easter

On the 10th of April we will be celebrating Easter at school

Chocolate egg hunt

- there will be paper cutouts hidden all over the school
- you can exchange 3 cutouts for a chocolate egg



Redeeming times

Main building (foyer):	Näituse building (warderobe):
• 9:15-9:25	• 10:00-10:20
• 10:10-10:20	• 11:05-11:10
• 12:00-12:10	• 12:45-13:20
	• 14:55-15:05

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- On 31 March, the MHG welcomed school leaders from Lithuania. They were introduced to our school by the Head of School, Ene Tannberg, and our Lithuanian language teacher, Reda Šmitaite, who translated her speech into Lithuanian.



- On 31 March, the prizes of the national competition for works in education were awarded at the University of Tartu. In the category of published and/or defended doctoral theses or monographs, our biology teacher Helen Semilarski was awarded the second prize for her doctoral thesis "Improving Students' Self-efficacy in the Acquisition of Subject and cross-curricular framework Themes and 21st-century skills to promote meaningful learning in Science".
- History teacher Kaarel Viljaste has been awarded the annual prize of Värsk Rõhk magazine! Read more [HERE](#).



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- On 29 March, another workshop for Tartu school leaders took place.
- This time, the host was Miina Härma Gümnaasium, and the topic was point 2 of the Quality Agreement for Tartu Schools:
- "Tartu schools develop a science-based mindset and academic literacy. The schools of Tartu have agreed on the basic components of a science-based mindset, which are developed in different school levels. Academic literacy (including the formatting of written work), vocabulary related to academic and literate style and academic reading skills are developed to support the development of critical information users. Academic honesty is an essential part of any educational institution's working and learning culture."
- In reality, we talked more about the possibilities for implementing ChatGPT in the work of teachers and school leaders. Lemmit Kaplinski, Deputy Mayor of Tartu for Education and Culture, also attended the event. The event was organised and prepared by **Terje Hallik**, Head of Studies.
- In episode #5 of the "Tartu Hariduse Hääl" series, the conversation was about science-based thinking with **Terje Hallik**, Head of MHG, and **Enn Ööpik**, Head of Tartu Mart Reiniku School. Listen [HERE](#). "Tartu Hariduse Hääl" is produced in cooperation with the Tartu City Government's Education Department to share good practices and more widely inspiring success stories from schools.





ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 4 April - UPT defences; 7a at the UT Natural History Museum; German language students' storytelling and drama morning at the German Cultural Institute.
- 5 April - Russian fiction competition for 6th graders at Kivilinna school; 12ac "Science, Technology and Society" course study day.
- 6 April - 12th grade baby day (Titepäev); final round of the Economic Olympiad; Aivo Renser from SEB Bank visiting 11th-grade class of financial economics and investment; 6a class evening.
- **7 April - Good Friday (no school).**
- 10-14 April - secondary school preliminary exams week.
- 10 April - SC organises Easter activities; at 14.00, a discussion on Physical Education led by **Maret Pihu**.
- 11 April - 7b visiting Jakobi Gallery for an installation workshop.
- 12 April - German reading competition for 7th graders.
- 13-15 April - 6a on a KLAPP hike.
- 13 April - last meeting of the "Success and Happiness" project; children's choir recital.
- 14 April - **12th grades' last school bell ceremony**; 7b class night.
- 15 April - boys' choir recital.
- 17 April - DELF scolaire written examination.
- 18 April - recital of the children's choirs; pupils of the Environment module at a birdsong evening in Raadi cemetery.
- 19 April - **taking class photos in Aula**; 1a museum lesson at ERM.
- 20 April - National 7th grade Russian language Olympiad; Tähelepanu! Start! national semi-final in Türi; TOK Exhibition in the lobby; 10a at the Genialists' Club to see the youth play "Lilli".
- 21 April - joint entrance tests of Tartu secondary schools.
- 21-24 April - a cultural trip of German language learners to Vienna.
- 21-22 April - Härmatis 4-5 and Härmatis 6-7 folk dance camp in Koeru.
- **22-30 April - school holidays.**
- 24 April - Estonian language exam.
- 25 April - Estonian as a second language national exam; teachers' collaboration day.



COME TO WORK WITH US!



Miina Härma Gümnaasium fosters students who change the world



We invite you to apply for the following teaching positions:

- Teacher of History/Individuals and Societies
- Teacher of Geography (part-time)
- Teacher of Chemistry
- Teacher of Physics
- Teacher of English
- Teacher of French
- Teacher of Physical Education
- Primary School Teacher
- Psychologist
- Social Pedagogue
- Special Educational Needs Pedagogue

To apply for a teaching position, send the following documents
Ene.Tannberg@mhg.tartu.ee:

- application
- resume
- copies of educational documents certifying teaching qualifications (must be recognized in Estonia)

Teachers with international background benefit from Estonian language skills.

Kandideerimise tähtaeg 02.05.2023
Tööleasumise aeg 21.08.2023
Info telefonil: 736 1921 või 5336 544

BECOME OUR COLLEAGUE AT AN IB WORLD SCHOOL

Why to come to work at MHG?

- Our school has a distinguished history and traditions.
- We have motivated students.
- Our teachers are experts in their field.
- We have a mentoring programme for new teachers.
- Our teachers have a high degree of autonomy in their teaching.
- We have teacher collaboration times in our lesson plans.
- Our teachers participate in international IB professional development workshops.
- Teachers have access to competent EdTech support.
- Teaching in international classes comes with a 20% higher salary.
- A surcharge is allocated for tutoring gifted students, supervising Personal Projects and secondary school research and practical work, and substitute teaching.
- Opportunities to take part in a variety of activities for teachers: outings and cultural events, volleyball, basketball, football, chess, trivia games, and choir.
- We are an IB World School, a KiVa school, and a member of Schools in Motion.





You are invited to the II and III floors of Miina Härma Gümnaasium for an exhibition of the final year projects of IB DP Visual Art students. This year we have 8 students studying IB Visual Arts at the Higher level and 2 students studying at the Standard level. This year's exhibition will focus on traditions, personal affections and stories (Anastasia Gvineria, Pradnyaparamita Milich, Saara Mai Raudsepp, Mari Mai Ruus, Rebecca Valge), exploration of form and structure (Steven Florides), depiction of national myths and folklore (Triin Virve), visual and architectural manifestations of Italo Calvino's magical realism (Karen Dunaway), belonging and nostalgia (Ekaterina Lissovskaya), and the archaeology of prehistoric society and its remnants in our psyche (Matthias Loona). The students were guided by our Arts teacher Mehmet Emir Uslu.

The exhibition will be on display from 4 to 23 April. Come and see the works of our talented artists!

karen anne kristal dunaway • steven stielos florides • anastasia gvineria
jekaterina lissovskaja • matthias loona • pradnyaparamita sarishya divya milich
saara-mai raudsepp • mari-mai ruus • rebecca valge • triin virve

03.04.2023 - 23.04.2023 • miina härma gümnaasium, II. & III. korrusel

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SCHOOLS IN MOTION

A team of teachers from Miina Härma Gümnaasium participates in a hiking event called **Sinilillerännak "Anname au!"**. This virtual charity hiking event lasts from 1-30 April, in honour of the veterans of the Defence Forces and Defence League of Estonia, their loved ones, the promotion of health sports and the strengthening of the field of rehabilitation across Estonia.

The teams participating in the "Sinilillerännak" walk will collect 30 days of kilometres and pick blue lilies on a virtual map of Estonia.

The MHG team includes Kristi Kreutzberg, Maili Tirel, Kirstin Karis, Kersti Õunap, Tiia Lepik, Lilia Ilves, Helen Rägo, Gerli Puis, Age Raimets, Aija Sprivil-Dautancourt.

Read more [HERE](#).

Sinilille- rännak Anname Au!

1.-30.aprill 2023

Virtuaalrännak mööda Eestimaad

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Heategevuslik panus 15€**

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www.sinilillerannak.ee**