

# MHG NEWS



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MIINA HÄRMA GYMNASIUM  
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## WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

- Mai Aavasalu, the legendary Mathematics teacher of MHG, celebrates her 70th birthday today. Mai says she will "retire" in the next school year. Colleagues are a little doubtful about the success of this idea because some people are simply irreplaceable! We wish Mai continued health, a sense of humour and joy in life!
- The birthday cake featured a famous quote from the hero of the day: "Let's reduce so that the sweat flies!" (alumnus Siim Liivamägi and Gustav Cafe).

## BIRTHDAYS

- 16.05** Mai Aavasalu
- 16.05** Allar Aav
- 20.05** Age Raimets
- 23.05** Sirle Alekand
- 23.05** Tähti-Merike Kilk





## WEEKLU HIGHLIGHTS

- On May 11, MHG team with **Merit Ots** (11a), **Mirtel Tähepöld** (11b), **Emma Elisabeth Toots** (11c) and **Kertu Raudsepp** (11c) received 4th place in the literary trivia KIMM for secondary school level.
- **Kaisa Tullus** (7a, teacher Jana Kübar) received a special prize at the Ulakass review competition for her review of Stephen King's fantasy work "Dragon's Eyes".
- On May 8, a trivia game was held for the 7th time at Jaan Poska Gümnaasium in Tartu. Results: 2nd place MHG 9th grade team (**Ellen Hiimari Möls**, **Linda Maria Pool**, **Iris Kivi**), 3rd place 7b team (**Ida Parmas**, **Kristiina Sellis**, **Otto Pärtel Palm**), 4th place 7a team (**Kaisa Tullus**, **Lille-Mai Kangur** and **Triinu Liis Kuul**).
- In the final round of the Geography Olympiad, 7b student **Leo Fišel** achieved 3rd rank (equal to 3rd place). He also had the best result in the multimedia round and the third result in the written work. Among the 9th grades, **Rasmus Sasi** (9a) had the fourth result in the written work. In the secondary school competition, **Meena Rooden** (10b) achieved the third result in the terrain round. Supervisor was teacher Maiu Kaljuorg.
- At the final Nuputa competition in Tamsalu, which took place on May 13, our school's 7th grade team took third place. **Ats Joosep Laineste**, **Ott Loper** and **Leo Fišel** took part in the competition. Supervised by teacher Allar Aav.





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- On 11-13 May, our 12b student **Lene Tiinas** successfully represented Miina Härma Gymnasium at Riga's Baltic German Language Olympiad. Lene Tiinas received recognition in two Olympiad categories: 1st place in presenting her interests through the prism of her hometown (oral task) and 1st place in group work, where the task was to create a more sustainable solution for Riga's old shopping centre and present it convincingly. The 5 best German speakers from Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia national rounds were invited to the Olympiad. The Olympiad consisted of three rounds. At the German Embassy, the students presented their homework, the topic of which was "Meine Interessen durch das Prisma meines Wohnorts." On the second day, there was a test of linguistic knowledge and group work in international groups and its presentation to the audience. Lene's German teacher is Maigi Varusk.





## WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

- At the Estonian Youth Chess Championship, our students won several medals: in the U8 age group Ruudi Johannes Õim (1a) – a silver medal; in the U10 age group Märt Mattias Alas (3b) – a gold medal; in the G18 age group Linda Maria Pool (9b) – a silver medal and in the U18 age group Mihkel Tomson (10b) – a gold medal.
- On May 10, the Tartu City Schools' Cup competitions in the cross-country relay took place where the team of 6-7 grades of MHG won first place. We were represented by: Emma Kurim (6b), Andri Sirk (6a), Rika Erik (6a), Mikk Mihkel Ruus (6b), Frida Loog (7a), Erik Marten Zernant (7a), Edith Eelmäe (7b), Gregor Laht (7a), Laura Liisa Vider (7b), Oliver Mäesalu (7a). MHG team of 8-9 grades took third place in the competition. We were represented by: Gertrud Alice Kala (8b), Rando Jaaksoo (9a), Aliis Türk (8a), Oliver Robert Alanurm (9a), Brita Pruks (8b), Karl Kiidron (8a), Marion Lisette Kasela (9b), Sten Hiiesalu (9b), Mariann Zernant (9a), Villem Piirimäe (8b). The secondary school team took second place. We were represented by: Maia Toomsalu (10a), Lill Kandimaa (10a), Getter-Liis Kukk (10a), Laura Karolina Gradickaite (11c), Amelia Zaytseva (10b), Kert Köidam (11c), Jan Justin Paju (11a), Samuel Olmaru (11a), Kaur Nõmmemees (11b), Karl Joosep Orav (11a).
- On May 11, students and teachers participated in a whole-school chess tournament in the Aula of Miina Härma Gümnaasium. Mihkel Tomson (10b) won first place in the tournament (also the new Estonian champion in the U18 age group!), Ajinkya Shailendra Kulkarni (4e) won second place, and the third place went to Rasmus Vider 10b. This pleasant evening for chess enthusiasts was organized by the Student Council!





On May 12, the **spring concert of the mixed choir of the Miina Härma Singing Society** took place in the MHG Aula. MHG children's choir of grades 3-4 was also invited to perform at the concert to share the love of music with the next generation. Both choirs are conducted by Külli Karask.

The mixed choir of Miina Härma Singing Society considers itself the conceptual successor of the mixed choir of Miina Hermann Singing Society, which was founded by Miina Härma (formerly Hermann) in 1894. At one time, it became the best concert choir in Estonia. Miina Härma was a long-time music teacher of the Girls' Gymnasium of the Estonian Youth Education Society (she worked at the school from 1917 to 1929) that preceded Miina Härma Gümnaasium. In her honour, MHG teachers created a MHLS mixed choir in April 2013, which was joined not only by teachers, but also by parents, alumni and other friends of MHG and choral music. The founder and first conductor of the choir was **Kadri Leppoja**, and the current leader is **Külli Karask**. All singers are united by the love of music and the joy of singing together. The members of the choir have formed a large and strong group of friends.

The MHLS mixed choir has participated twice in Estonian song festivals and twice in Tartu song festivals. They took part in Uma Pidos in the Võru language and performed at Elva and Intsikurmu song festivals; they also performed at the singing days of Estonian Mixed Choirs Union and Tartu county choirs. It is a great honour to participate in MHG concert events. The choir's wish is to keep the tradition of choral music and the love for music alive and to create a pleasant gathering place for the MHG family.

With an independent concert, the choir performed for the first time and performed songs from the classics of Estonian choral music and the newer repertoire.





## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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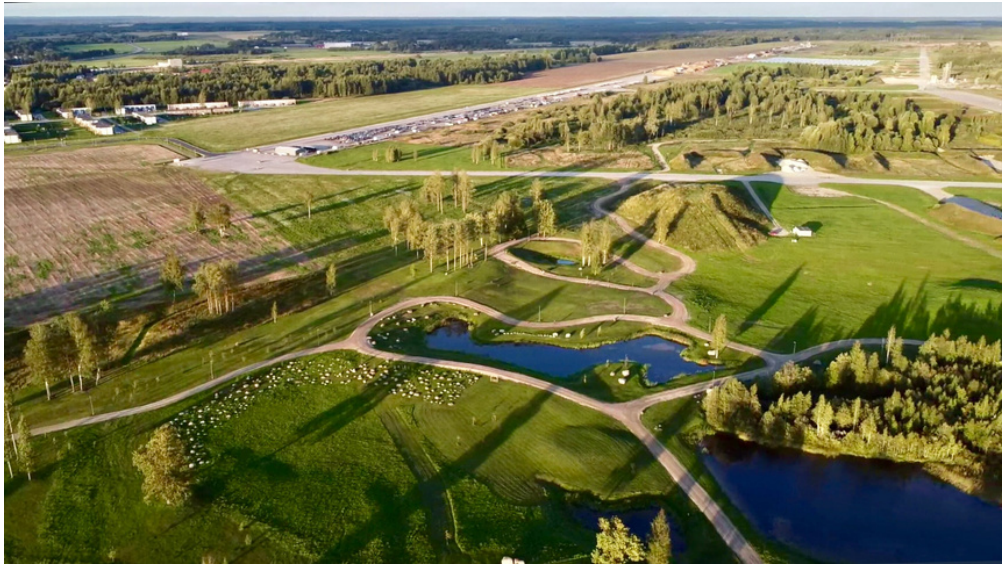
- 15 - 18 May - 12DP final examinations (week 3).
- 16 May - 11th-grade career counselling.
- 17 May - national exam in Mathematics; **whole-school sports day**; general meeting of Student Council; children's choir rehearsal in St. Paul's Church.
- 18 May - Junior researcher **Sille-Liis Männik** visits the 11th-grade Psychology course.
- 19-21 May - the final round of the Biology Olympiad for basic schools.
- 19-20 May - 7b class night.
- 19 May – general meeting of the Student Council; grade 3-4 children's choir at the opening of the new building of UT Children's Clinic; 2a and 2b on forest plantation day in Vorbuse.
- 20 May – Härmatis C1, C2 and C3 at the Võru dance party.
- 21-25 May - 12c school trip to Malta.
- 21 May - **Service as Action deadline for grade 5-8 students.**
- 22-26 May - **IB DP entrance interviews.**
- 22 May - Pekka Simojoki's lecture for 9th grades and secondary school in the hall and a concert in St. Paul's Church (with the MHG children's choir).
- 22-23 May – 5th grade in Torma Glämpinguküla.
- 23 May - 7a at the study program "Sugar and flour or puppy millet" at ERM.
- 24 May - 7th-grade German language international level test; 5a excursion to Prangli island; 2ab watching the play "Sipsik" in Vanemuine theatre; 6a and 6b on study programs in Karula National Park; career counselling for 11th-grade students; 7b at ERM on the study program "Sugar and flour or puppy poop".
- 25-28 May –12a end-of-the-school trip to Latvia.
- 25 May - 2ab class excursion to Rakvere.
- 26 May – 9th-grade "**titepäev**"; 4b class evening.
- 27 May – Model-Estonia SA Tartu city council simulation in the MHG Aula.
- 29 May - 9th-grade **final school bell ceremony (tutipäev)**; 5b in the study program at the Võrtsjärve learning centre.
- 30 May - study day for students of the environment module in Otepää Nature Park.
- 30 May–1 June - 8b in Stockholm.
- 31 May – 4th grade **Exhibition Day**; 9th grade marks release deadline.



## WHOLE-SCHOOL ORIENTEERING DAY

Wednesday, 17th May

in Raadi Majoraat Park in collaboration with Seiklushunt



### Start times:

13.00 – grades 1 - 3 (1-2 with parents)


13:20 – grades 4 with homeroom teacher

13.30 – grades 5 with homeroom teacher

13.40 – grades 6 with homeroom teacher

 13.50 – grades 7 with homeroom teacher

14.00 – grades 8 with homeroom teacher

 Grades 9-11 students complete the track on their own between 15.10 and 18.15

Form groups of three before coming to start!

**Participation in mandatory!**

**NB! Be there at least 15 minutes before your start time to register the SI stick for your team!**

**Have a fun orienteering day!**



## ROLE MODELS WEEK

- Have you ever had a moment when you looked at a fellow student and wondered how they managed to work tirelessly and take action? Some organize events or help grandma across the street, some just bring sunshine into the lives of schoolmates. During the **Week of Role Models** (5-9.06), we will introduce you to five young people who are most often nominated as role models by the students of Häärma.
- Nominations for MHG Role Models can be submitted from the MHG instagram account [HERE](#) until 19th May.
- Role models will be rewarded by: Tartu City History Museums, Imeline Teadus magazine, MyFitness Eesti, KAUSS Poké, Studio Room, Roosa Radio, Yum Cha, Elektriteater.
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Eeskujusid premeerib:

Miina Häärma Gümnaasiumis kasvab põlvkond, kes muudab maailma paremaks.

# EESKUJUDE NÄDAL





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## DEAR PARENTS

### PRE-ORDERING PERIOD OF MHG SCHOOL ITEMS HAS NOW STARTED

- ✓ In collaboration with the Student Council and by request of our students, new items have been added to the selection.
- ✓ Order now to guarantee to receive the items before **1st September!**
- ✓ Place the order from **1st May-25th June** and receive the order to your selected parcel machine **from 20th August.**
- ✓ You can place the order in the new [Norrison e-shop](#):



NB! Don't forget the school hat!



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MHG children's  
choir will also  
perform



PEKKA

# SIMOJOKI

LAULUDE ÕHTU

22.05 KELL 18:00 TARTU PAULUSE KIRIK  
SISSEPÄÄS: TASUTA

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# MHG VILISTLASTE GOLF



25. augustil 2023 Otepää Golfikeskuses

Golfivõistlus Miina Härma Gümnaasiumi vilistlastele tuleb taas!

Sel korral ja edaspidi hakkab see toimuma augusti viimasel reedel ehk käesoleval aastal **25. augustil**. Võistluspaigaks **Otepää Golf**.

Võistlusel nüüd väarikas hõbedast rändkarikas, mille on kinkinud vilistlane **Peep Aaviksoo**.

Eelregistreeru kohe aadressil [mhg.golfiturniir@gmail.com](mailto:mhg.golfiturniir@gmail.com) ning pane kuupäev kalendrisse kirja!

Võistluse täpsem info ja reglement õige pea. Stardiajad 25. augusti hommikul.

*Palun edasta see kutse koolikaaslastele, kes samuti golfi mängivad!*

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