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BIRTHDAYS

07.10 **Riina Murulaid**

12.10 **Leo Aleksander Siiman**

NOTICED AT HÄRMA

The Teacher of the Year awards were presented on 28 September at the Tartu city and county educational staff appreciation event, where the laureates were thanked by Urmas Klaas, the Mayor of Tartu and Jarno Laur, Tartu County Local Government Board Chairman.

Recognized teachers of Miina Härma Gymnasium were:

- History teacher Alla Vinitšenko- basic school teacher of the year and national nominee.
- Biology teacher Kirstin Karis - secondary school teacher of the year.
- Physics teacher Heli Lätt - special award for the year's academic performance, the University of Tartu Observatory visitor centre in cooperation with the Estonian ESERO team, the school-wide teacher training program "Cosmos connects".



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 2 October - **International Music Day**; Schools in Motion game manager training; at 17:30 4b parents' meeting; General meeting of Student Council; Tartu schools relay run day.
- 2-6 October - the week of open school canteens.
- 3-5. October - 7b on a KLAPP hike.
- 3-10 October – Tartu Schools' Football Cup.
- 3 October - at 5:15 p.m. 11b parents' meeting.
- 4 October - 2a at the Kiidjärvi visitor centre; 7a study trip to Palamuse; students of the Business Ecosystem module at HÄKATON "Student companies contribute to green urban space"; study trip of Religious Studies students to St. Paul's Church in Tartu.
- 6 October - **Teacher's Day celebration (shortened lesson; classes are taught by secondary school graduates).**
- 6-7 October - 8b class night.
- 9 October– 12DP study trip to Paganamaa; MHG football tournament for grades 4-6.
- 10 October - 7b study trip to Palamuse.
- 10-11 October - 5a on a KLAPP hike.
- 11 October - **alumnae Dr. Katrina Aab** visiting the Human Physiology and Anatomy class; **alumnae Maret Ahonen** conducting a workshop, "Business model development", for students of the Entrepreneurship Ecosystem course.
- 12 October - **MHG Management Team's press conference for e-classes**; grade 4 national level test in Maths.
- 13-14 October - 8a class night.
- 16-20 October - preliminary exams week for secondary school .

NOTICED AT HÄRMA

- On 27 September, our alumnae **Elo Joandi** visited 11a and 11b Biology classes to talk about her high school research project, "Determining nutrition based on hair isotopic analysis: a case study of modern and archaeological material". **Elo received 1st prize in the 2023 national student research papers competition.** In addition, Elo participated in the **European Young Scientists Competition in Brussels** at the beginning of September with her research.



- On 27 September, US **female astronaut Nicole Aunapu Mann**, with Estonian roots, visited Tartu. Students from various GLOBE program schools, including MHG students, had a great opportunity to meet her at the AHHA centre.

- MHG Physics teacher **Riina Murulaid** and Tartu Raatuse School Physicist and educational technologist Jaana Mihailišina published a new Physics tasks collection for the entire 8th and 9th grade.



NOTICED AT HÄRMA

- **Villem Piirimäe** (9b) received 1st place, and **Erik Marten Zernant** (8b) took 2nd place in the Estonian School Sports Union's championships in the selection-orienteeing (age group of boys 8-9).
- **Eleriin Sepp** (11b) took 2nd place at the Estonian championships in classical powerlifting for the open class.
- The **IB Diploma Programme G4** project "**Climate**" took place in Tallinn on 27-28 September. **12DP students** from Miina Härma Gümnaasium and Tallinn English College visited TalTech Institute of Marine Systems, Tallinna Linnatransport (TLT), Port of Tallinn, Engineering Bureau STEIGER, TalTech Department of Geology, TalTech School of Science and the Centre of Food and Fermentation Technologies (TFTAK). The students were seeking answers to various climate-related problems. Many thanks to TEC DP science teachers and the coordinator for hosting us!



NOTICED AT HÄRMA

- Before classes began on the morning of 2 October, MHG music lovers gathered in the school's 1st-floor entrance hall to celebrate International Music Day. Performers: **Solveig Sävborg** (2a), **Oskar Vallikivi** (3a), **Eva Aleksandra Kärner** (3b), **Mia Urbanik** (3b), **Liisa Kiil** (4a), **Elisabeth Yenma Virnas** (4a), **Juhan Porila** (4a), **Timmo Tomigas** (5b), **Artin Kazemian Haddadi** (7e), **Aryaa Shailendra Kulkarni** (7e) and **Anni Maria Volt** (7b). Many thanks to the performers and music teachers!
- On Tuesday, the students of the GLOBE group went on a small expedition to measure the atmosphere in different areas of Tartu. **Uku Andreas Reigo**, an MHG alumnus, accompanied us on the three-hour trip and explained more about how the measuring devices work. The data was also sent to NASA. 12c student Taavi Tammela organized the expedition.



SCHOOLS IN MOTION

- On 4-5 October, the autumn seminar of Schools in Motion (Liikuma kutsuv kool) will be held, during which we will present our school's movement activities in the conference area at ERM. On 5 October, teachers from Estonia who are interested in active movement will visit MHG. Our school's experience will be shared by our teachers **Egle-Diana Keldt, Karin Kannerma, Age Raimets, Tähti-Merike Kilk, Kaisa Karjane, Jannar Tähepõld** and **Tairo Talvis**. Parents Mari-Liis Viirsalu, Janeli Virnas, and team leader Tiia Lepik will also participate. Our Head of Extra Curricular Activities, Liis Somelar and Head of Development, Tiia Lepik, made the poster, which can be viewed next week at school.

15. MIINA HÄRMA GYMNAASIUM

LIIKUMINE LIIDAB HÄRMA KOGUKONDA

KOGUKONDA - WORLD OF THE COMMUNITY

RATTAGA KOOLI

Õpilaste ja õpetajate hulgas on sport ja liikumine kõrgelt hinnatud. Soosime õppekäike ja õuetunde. Opetaja jooksul on igal klassil võimalus võtta kahe koolipäeva matkamiseks jm klassiürituseks lisanduvad väärtuste õppekavas olevad tegevused.

AVATUD KOOLIHOOV

2021. aastal valmis Tartu Linnavalitsuse rahastamisel koolihoovis madalseiklusrada. Meil on suur jalgpalliplats ja toredad keksurajad. Koolihoov on kogukonnale avatud ja tähtsusetud käivad sinu koos peredega lustimas. Liikumiseks kasutame ka Karu parki.

LIIKUMISPAUSID

Kõigis algklassides on olemas liikumisvahendid, mida vahetundides kasutatakse. Koridorides on liikumisrajad ja siseõues keksukastid. Mängujuhid korraldavad mänguvahetunde, õpilastele tantsuvahetunde. Suuremasti õpilased liiguvad vahetundidel staadionile sportmänge mängima.

SPORDIÜRITUSED

Sügisel toimub kogu koolile ajalooline Tammeme teatejooks ja kevadel spordiüritused. Koos toimetavad suured ja väikesed, eesti ja inglise keelt rääkivad õpilased, võistlevad ka õpetajad ja kampa loovad viisilised ning lapsivanemad. Lisaks kogume saime ja õuetunde. Korraldame ise võistlusi ja käime võistlemas.

LIIKUMISÕPETUS

Sellest õppeaastast alates toimub kõigis 10. klassides ühe kehalise tunni ajal tantsutund. See annab hea ettevalmistuse veebruaris toimuvale õpilaste korraldatavale ballile. 1.-4. klassides kasutame teemapähi ja 5.-9. klassides kriteeriumipõhise hindamise, kus oluline osa on eneseanalüüs.

EESKJUD

Meie õpetajad osalevad erinevatel võistlustel ja matkadel, tunnivahetel hetkedel võib neid tabada Tähtveres jooksmas või kusagil trennis. Meil õpib tippportlasi, kes viibivad enamasti spordilaagrites ja õpivad individuaalse õppekava elusel.

LAPSEVANEMAD

Lapsevanemate Mari-Liis Viirsalu ja Janeli Virnase eestvedamisel on meie koolihoov saanud toredad keksurajad. Teiste heaolu loomise panustavad paljud pered. 5.—8. klasside õpilased teevad igal õppeaastal kogukonnapraktikat ehk kujundavad ise keskkonna, kus on hea olla.

MÄNGUJUHID

Mängujuhid on õpetajatele suureks abiks, kuna aitavad süstada liikumispause. Liikumisega rahulolu on koolis viimastel aastatel väga kiiresti tõusnud, olemas harinud oma kogukonda läbi koolituste ja artiklid liikumise olulisusest ilmuvad infotehes.

SCHOOLS IN MOTION

- On Monday, sixteen 4th-7th graders gathered in the sports hall and went through the training of game leaders. The game leaders help the teachers in the subject lessons with movement breaks and make recesses active. During the training, the students gained theoretical knowledge of the role of the game leader and practical skills on how to carry out activities independently. Many new movement games and tricks were learned, which can also be used in every lesson. The training was conducted by our Physical Education teacher **Age Raimets**, who is the mentor of the game leaders at our school.



- On 28 September, the **42nd traditional Tamme Relay Run** took place. Students from almost all classes and the team of teachers participated in the event. The classes prepared cakes, muffins and other delicacies as prizes. It was a pleasure to see that, once again, many students got along with each other and experienced a very cheerful and sporty day. We thank the Physical Education teachers who organized the event!



NEW TEACHERS

We will introduce our new teachers to the school family in the first week of October. We asked the teachers:

How have their first four weeks been?

What is their motto?

The new colleagues in the 23/24 academic year are:

- English teachers **Johanna Teder** and **Tiina Tubli**
- French language teachers **Marit Karelson**, **Jaan Markus Jüriväli** and **Beatrice Veidenberg**
- Physics teacher **Aile Einola**
- IB Geography teacher **Irina Guljavina**
- History and Social Studies teacher **Kadi Küng**
- Physical Education teacher **Kaisa Karjane**
- Psychologist **Martin Kimmel**
- Special teacher **Sirli Heil**
- Chemistry and Biology Teacher **Mithu Guha**
- Estonian language teacher **Marilin Lõhmus**
- Primary School teacher **Uljana Jegelski**
- Primary School teacher **Kairi Land**



LIFE MOTO:
"LET'S GET IT
DONE AND
LET'S DO IT IN
A GOOD
MOOD."

AILE EINOLA

**THE FIRST MONTH AT MIINA HÄRMA
GÜMNAASIUM IS OVER. WHAT DO
YOU LIKE ABOUT MHG SO FAR?**

The working day starts at 8:30, the students are all very nice, and the days pass quickly. New colleagues offer coffee and cookies during longer breaks. So far, everything has been very nice, and everyone is very supportive and helpful.

NEW TEACHERS

LIFE MOTO:

"I CAN'T SAY THAT I HAVE A SPECIFIC MOTTO, BUT I DEFINITELY BELIEVE THAT A GOOD AND UNDERSTANDING ATTITUDE CAN GO MUCH FURTHER. "



TIINA TUBLI

THE FIRST MONTH AT MIINA HÄRMA GÜMNAASIUM IS OVER. WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT MHG SO FAR?

I really like the students I teach(!). Needless to say, nice and enthusiastic young people. So shoutout to 6e, 9e and my 10th-grade group.

LIFE MOTO:

"IN ORDER FOR CHILDREN TO DEVELOP SELF-CONFIDENCE IN EXPLORING THE WORLD AROUND THEM, THEY MUST BE ENCOURAGED TO ACQUIRE NEW KNOWLEDGE AT EVERY STEP."



KAIRI LAND

THE FIRST MONTH AT MIINA HÄRMA GÜMNAASIUM IS OVER. WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT MHG SO FAR?

School days are full of interesting discoveries and the joy of working together. MHG has supportive colleagues and curious students. A sense of togetherness has developed.

ELU MOTO:

"THIS TOO SHALL PASS."



HELLO SIR

THE FIRST MONTH AT MIINA HÄRMA GÜMNAASIUM IS OVER. WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT MHG SO FAR?

People, freedom, opportunities

LIFE MOTO:

"MY MOTTO IS TO TEACH ALL MY STUDENTS TO BECOME GOOD PEOPLE."



MITHU GUHA

THE FIRST MONTH AT MIINA HÄRMA GÜMNAASIUM IS OVER. WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT MHG SO FAR?

I like that all my colleagues are very friendly and helpful.

NEW TEACHERS



LIFE MOTO:

"AS AN ENGLISH TEACHER AND A LEFT-HANDED PERSON, THIS IS ONE OF MY FAVORITE PHRASES THAT COULD ALSO APPLY HERE: WHEN NOTHING GOES RIGHT, GO LEFT!"

JOHANNA TENDER

THE FIRST MONTH AT MIINA HÄRMA GYMNASIUM IS OVER. WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT MHG SO FAR?

I really enjoy that the school family is so supportive. Colleagues always help when I ask for help and do everything they can to make me feel at home.

The students are so great, it's especially exciting to teach international classes because I've never done it before. MHG has a very open and friendly atmosphere. We cannot leave out the small walks from the main building to the Näituse building - there are still warm autumn days when you can enjoy them. Ask again in winter if I still enjoy them ;)

LIFE MOTO:

"IF SOMETHING BOTHERS YOU, TRY TO CHANGE IT. IF YOU CAN'T ACCEPT IT OR MOVE ON."



KAISA KARJANE

THE FIRST MONTH AT MIINA HÄRMA GYMNASIUM IS OVER. WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT MHG SO FAR?

Kids are awesome!

LIFE MOTO:

"TO SHARE AND RECEIVE JOY."

BEATRICE WEIDENBERG



THE FIRST MONTH AT MIINA HÄRMA GYMNASIUM IS OVER. WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT MHG SO FAR?

Students' joy to learn and find out

LIFE MOTO:

"NO BAD MEMORIES. THERE ARE USEFUL EXPERIENCES. "



IRINA GULJAVINA

THE FIRST MONTH AT MIINA HÄRMA GYMNASIUM IS OVER. WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT MHG SO FAR?

Friendship and togetherness



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DO YOU LIKE TO DOODLE?

We welcome **hand-drawn friendly** caricatures and memes to
MHG's birthday cartoon exhibition!



THEMES:

- SCHOOL HISTORY
- IMPORTANT PEOPLE AT MHG
- BIRTHDAY OF MHG

MAKE THE WORK ON A4 PAPER AND BRING IT TO THE COMPETITION MAILBOX IN THE SCHOOL LOBBY. IMAGES ARE COLLECTED FROM 2ND OCT TO 12TH OCT!



Prizes for best works selected by voting!

COME TO HAVE A SCHOOL LUNCH



Event time: 02.10–06.10 at 12.15–13.30

Open School Canteens Week is an event where the school canteen wishes to give parents the opportunity to see and taste the selection of food that is offered to children daily and how the provision of school lunches is generally organized. In addition to getting to know school food, this is a good opportunity to enjoy a full-value lunch at an affordable price in the middle of the working day.

As part of the week of open school canteens, parents are offered exactly the same food as students get on a daily basis.