

# MHG NEWSLETTER

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## BIRTHDAYS

20.03 **Mann Loper**

22.03 **Mehmet Emir Uslu**

23.03 **Kadri Leppoja**

25.03 **Anne Laius**

## MIXED CHOIR IN BIELEFELD

- On 10-15 March, students of our **mixed choir** visited Ceciliengymnasium in **Bielefeld**. The friendship, which began over 30 years ago and was initiated by the Pöld family, has gained momentum again. The choirs and orchestra of the two schools practised singing together under the guidance of conductors **Claudia Gentejohann** and **Markus Leppoja**. **Kadri Leppoja** and Markus Leppoja helped make the big preparation at the school. The meeting ended on 14 March with a big concert at **Bielefeld's St. Mary's Church**. The students were accompanied by teachers **Marje Peedisson**, **Liis Somelar** and **Heiki Puusepp**.



- Already from 27.09.24 to 4.10.24 we are expecting Germans to visit Tartu. You can read the full article in German [HERE](#).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 18-28 March – 12DP mock exams.
- 18-22 March – **IB Diploma Program shadow week** for grade 10 students.
- 19 March – 3-4e study program at the UT Museum; 6a and 6b watching the play "The Prince and the Beggar" at the Ugala Theater in Viljandi; 7b study program "Estonian ungulates" in Elistvere.
- 20 March – cultural diplomat **Slawomira Borowska-Peterson** in the Diplomacy module class.
- 2nd grade and 3rd-4th grade children's choirs in the rehearsal of the Tartu Song Festival; 7a watching the play "The Prince and the Beggar" in Ugala.
- 21 March – Kangaroo Math competition; testing of the Estonian language e-state exam; Chief Prosecutor **Andres Parmas** in the module subject "Man and Law;" Ahtme Basic School teachers on a study tour at MHG; **school chess tournament**.
- 22 March – 9b at Ugala theatre on an excursion and performance "Our Class".
- 23 March – the final round of the History Olympiad and the EAÜS annual meeting at MHG; the written part of the C1 Advanced exam (spring session).
- 25 March – simulations of secondary school admission interviews for 9th-grade students.
- 26 March – 11a and 11c meet the Solaride team and watch the documentary.
- 27 March – **Open House Day for 10th graders**; a regional round of the Biology Olympiad for basic school; students of the Modern Physics course at KBFi in Tallinn; Tartu preliminary round of "Tähelepanu, Start!" relay races; 5b in the escape room; financial wisdom online conference "Do I manage money or does money manage me?"
- 28 March – simulations of secondary school entrance interviews for 9th-grade students; Tartu Song Festival 2024 pre-rehearsal of children's choirs in the hall of Tartu Mart Reiniku School; Saaremaa High School nurse's visit.
- 29 March - **Good Friday**; 8a watching The Hound of the Baskervilles at the Karlova Theater
- 30 March - 12c in the theatre in Tallinn.

## NOTICED AT HÄRMA

- On 15-16 March, in the final round of the Chemistry Olympiad, MHG was represented by **Erik Meriloo** (9a, teacher Helle Sorge), 13th place; **Nurkhan Torekhanov** (Pre-IB, teacher Jörgen Metsik), 2nd place; **Uku Nael** (10b, Jörgen Metsik), 6th place; **Karolin Ruumet** (11a, Jörgen Metsik, Helle Sorge), 14th place; **Laur Saks** (12DP, coached by Jörgen Metsik), 13th place.
- 6-7 MHG has been invited to the final round of the Physics Olympiad on 6-7 April with the largest representation among the secondary schools of the city of Tartu: **Ott Loper** (8b), **Sherkhan Torekhanov** (Pre-IB), **Uku Nael** (10b), **Jeližaveta Štšura** (10b), **Uku Märt Raasik** (10b), **Erik Julius Lindgren** (11b), **Andri Türkson** (11b), **Karolin Ruumet** (11a), **Laur Saks** (12DP), **Triin Punab** (12DP). The students are supervised by Riina Murulaid.
- At the Nuti-Mati mathematics Tartumaa regional championships, Stefan Robin Lepp won 1st place in the 9th-grade category; **Eliis Guhse** (3b) won 1st place, and **Jakko Rõivassepp** (3a) won 3rd place among grades 3.
- **Mart Väljamäe** (10b) won a silver medal in model aviation at the World Cup held in Pyhäjärvi, Finland.
- **Eerik Aasa** (4b) won 2nd place in the national round of the "Best Young Instrumentalist 2024" competition among percussion students.
- At the international group gymnastics competition Espoo Cup 2024, the group Mirabel from the gymnastics club Janika won 1st place in the youth class of short routines. 5a students **Kaisaliisa Talviste** and **Isabella Toomsalu** competed in the group.
- **Henrik Sova**, a philosophy teacher at MHG and guest researcher in Philosophy at the University of Tartu and Cambridge, wrote about the crisis of trust in science and society in the newspaper Postimees on 13 March.
- On the Estonian Mother Tongue Day, the laureates of the annual awards of the cultural capital's literature awards were announced in the black-ceilinged hall of the Tallinn Writers' House. We are happy to say that the annual prize for prose was won by our alumnus **Meelis Friedenthal**, and the annual prize for essay writing was won by our alumnus **Jaak Tomberg**.

## NEPAL TRAVELOGUE, VOL 1

- Our winding journey began in the foggy early morning at the Tartu bus station. **We bravely passed through both Tallinn and Istanbul airports and took the last 7-hour night flight to Kathmandu.** Instead of a night of sleep, we were entertained by in-flight screens and packaged water cups. The two days following the flight were spent enjoying the pleasures of the capital. The Härmatis team got to know Kathmandu - we learned how to trade like the locals, saw colourful people, motorcycles and dogs on the streets, and made our first discoveries about the intriguing architecture and way of life. There seemed to be no longing for the water and air at home - there were plenty of new and interesting things. We also offered something new and interesting to our locals - repeatedly, the unearthly tall, blue-eyed tourists were asked to take pictures. The first guided tour took us to the Swoyambhu Maha chaitya temple complex decorated with colourful flags. Here and in the future, we began to notice the enormous tolerance of the Nepalese people. The temple complex in the picture is simultaneously a sanctuary for followers of Buddhism and Hinduism, and we, too, felt welcomed and valued there. That day, we also got to be a part of the local wildlife when a curious macaque monkey set its sights on Henry's drink. The reader is left to guess how the situation was resolved. The next day, the first parade and the festival's official opening took place. It must be said that the experience was... different from the song and dance party parade we are familiar with. The same warm hearts and bright smiles greeted us on the narrower streets in the midst of heavier traffic. After that, it was the first opportunity of the trip to share Estonian folk dance in the open air. On that day, it became clear to all of us exactly how the calm mind of the Nepalese translates into their schedules. For example, Agnes got ribbons in her hair only in the parking lot just a few minutes before arriving at the concert hall. The energetic and cheerful "After Breakfast" was chosen as the opening number of the folk dancers. Of the other countries, the best first impression was the dances of India, Austria and Poland, where each cultural space was completely unique. We also took the opportunity to take a picture with our favourites in front of the Estonian poster after the concert.



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- For as many Nepalese people as possible to participate in the festival, we set off in a bus full of good dancers at 5 o'clock the next morning to perform with "Tuurit-Tuuriti" and "Kaera-Jaan" in the city of Ghorah. On a road resembling a lunar landscape between the Himalayan mountains, even the most tenacious bus driver dared to drive at a speed of only 25 km/h. The only memory of the 20-hour bus ride is the triumphant arrival at the hotel, where our shaken heads immediately fell on the pillows. You can read about Buddha's birthplace, adventures in beautiful Pokhara and brand new taste experiences in just a week, until then - Namaste!





**MHG AVATUD USTE PÄEV 10. KLASSI  
ASTUJATELE  
TOIMUB 27. MÄRTSIL!**



**ÜLEKOOLILINE**  
**Maleturniir**  
21. MÄRTS KELL 17.30

Registreerimine stuudiumis või QR koodi kaudu  
//Registration is in stuudium or through the QR code

**Chess tournament**  
The event will take place on  
March 21th, at 17.30 in Miina  
Harma's assembly hall



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Valgre  
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Tartu Miina Härma  
Gümnaasium**

**Pärnu Rotary noorteprojekti raames valminud  
Raimond Valgre loomingule pühendatud laulukava**

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