

# MHG NEWSLETTER

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## BIRTHDAYS

15.10	Marge Peedison
18.10	Eda Lemberg
18.10	Teeli Roht
21.10	Nele Pöldver
28.10	Merike Tammi



HAPPY  
HOLIDAYS!

Office opening hours  
during holidays:

21.–22.10  
from 8:30 to 16:00

23.10. from 9.00-15.00.

24.– 25.10  
from 9:00 to 14:00

Puiestee building  
closed!



## 118TH BIRTHDAY OF THE SCHOOL

- On 14 October, we celebrated the school's 118th birthday. **The 7th graders (graduating year 118) decorated both school buildings** and offered candy and various activities to the school family throughout the day.
- **An ceremony was held in the Puiestee 62 building**, where the Head of School, Ene Tannberg told the students about the school's history and birthday traditions. Students **Joris Kabašinskas** and **Aryaa Shailendra Kulkarni** performed.



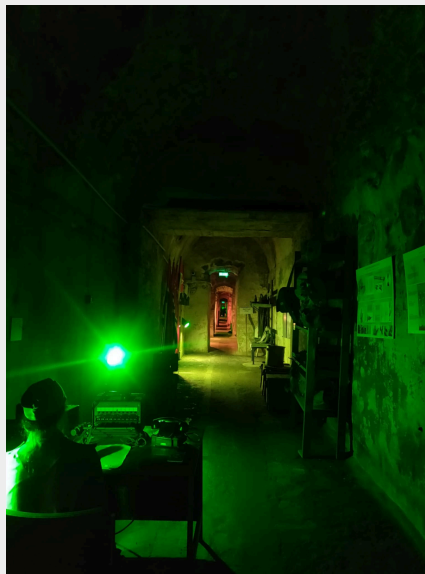
- A **festive ring ceremony** took place in the Tõnissoni 3 building. 10th graders received their school rings. **Ene Tannberg** spoke about the history of rings and different traditions for the students of grades 9-11. **Alumnus Rasmus Kull performed Hamlet's soliloquy** and told the students a story about his school days. The students of the C1 Härmatis performed the dance "Ivvo" and 12c student **Marian Pärn** sang Dagö's song "Kuula, kuula".

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 14-18 October - preliminary exams week for secondary school.
- 15 October – Tartu city interschool indoor hockey cup competitions for grades 6–7.
- 16-17 October – 12DP G4 project with Tallinn English College.
- 16 October – 4a class morning; students of the Entrepreneurship Ecosystem on a study tour at the "Tartu Mill" company.
- 17 October - 1-4e in the Sports Museum; Tartu city **architect Jiří Tintěra** visits students of the Environmental Module; Tartu Youth Poetry Festival 2024; youth conference “Lahe Koolipäev” in Tallinn; 10abc watching the movie "Emalõvi"; **alumni Lene Tiinas** and **Sander Metsis** in the 11th grade German class.
- 18 October – 4a educational program in the Observatory Museum; 7b at the Tartu City Library; 8a class night.
- **19-27 October - autumn break.**
- 21-22 October - **IBO ATL workshop for PYP, MYP and DP teachers at MHG.**
- 23 October - **Schools in Motion seminar at MHG.**
- 24 October - online training for KiVa Homeroom teachers.
- 28 October – 8b study programs in Vapramäe Nature House and Tõravere meteorological station; 9a risk prevention training conducted by the Transport Board; **at 17:30 KiVa "Back to school" evening in the Puiestee 62 building.**
- 29 October - 8b study programs in Vapramäe Nature House and Tõravere meteorological station; 12abc in Ugala theatre watching "Our class"; Pedagogical Leadership Team meeting.
- 30 October - 3ab at Theatre Estonia watching "Naksitrallid"; Film module course in Tallinn; Students of the Business Ecosystem module on a study tour at GPV Estonia AS.
- 31 October - **Halloween**; 11c on a study trip in Tallinn.
- 1 November - **"Härmakalt härmakale" recycling fair in Aula**; 6b class evening; 8b class night.

## NOTICED AT HÄRMA

- On 8 October, the 11DP and 12DP classes went on an excursion to Tallinn. Together, they visited the exhibition The Mystery of Banksy by the world-famous street artist Banksy at Telliskivi Creative City, and later took a look at the passageways hidden under the bastions protecting Tallinn, where, in addition to Swedish soldiers performing their duties, punks, university professors who have found their homes, and protection from a nuclear attack have also thrown a party. 11DP class teacher Madis Kahro organized the excursion.

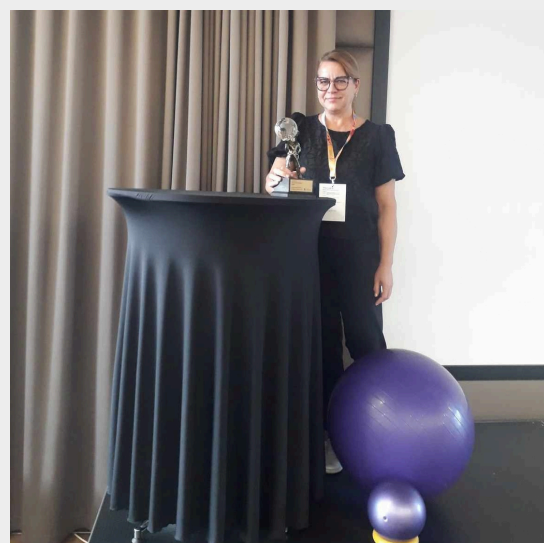


- Results of the secondary school football tournament:** 1st place 10b, 2nd place 12a, 3rd place 12b, 4th place 10c and 5th place 11a. The tournament was organized by **Joonas Sakkis** (12a) and **Märten Toom** (12b), supervised by Tairo Talvis.



## NOTICED AT HÄRMA

- The educational act of the year 2024 is the **educational program Liikuma Kutsuv Kool (LKK, Schools in Motion)**. We are very proud to be the flagship school of this program! On 8-9 October, the autumn seminar of LKK was held in Pärnu, where our **Head of Development, Tiia Lepik** shared our school's good experiences of LKK teamwork. Pictured with a small figure of Joosep holding a globe symbolizing the knowledge of the whole world.



- Librarian **Helgi Rootslane** and German teacher **Heikki Veinimäe** put up two small exhibitions in the reading room of the school library:

1) an exhibition that briefly reflects the relationship between MHG and the Bielefeld Ceciliengymnasium that began in 1992 (photos from the school's chronicle album and books donated by the Ceciliengymnasium);

2) an exhibition about Franz Kafka and his work, inspired by the 100th anniversary of his death, which is also widely celebrated in the German-speaking cultural space this year (text with photos and an exhibition of works in the MHG library.)



## NOTICED AT HÄRMA

- On 12 October, the **22nd Kalju Lepik's poetry competition** was held at the Aruküla manor in Koeru. **Eleriin Sepp** (12b) from our school received the Koeru Middle School prize at the competition.
- We thank all the teachers who opened their classroom doors to UT foreign language teacher students: **Heikki Veinimäe and Maigi Varusk; Madis Kahro, Meliton Mateo and Laura Ermel; Kulli Pullerits and Jelena Nikolajeva; Beatrice Veidenberg; Egle-Diana Keldt, Kristel Anier, Ene Sööt, Tiia Timma, Erika Puusemp and Kaisa Jõgi; Helen Semilarski and Mithu Guha.** A total of 43 students observed the lessons.
- 688 wrestlers from 90 clubs took part in the Umeå Wrestling Battle tournament. **Trevor Press** (2b) secured first place, pictured with his brother Tristan.



## PRACTICUM "DIFFERENT ESTONIAS"

Last week, MHG secondary school graduating classes visited the capital city and the Estonian Military Museum in Viimsi as part of the "Different Estonias" practicum.

During the field trip, the Vabamu Museum of Occupations and Freedom was visited, which was opened on 1 July 2003 with the support of Olga Kistler-Ritso's donation. The students of Miina Härma Gümnaasium were welcomed by Ede Schank-Tamkivi, who deals with educational projects and presented the museum's structure, purpose and exhibits in a very interesting and engaging way. Then, a meeting with the **members of the Broken Cornflower Association** took place in Vabamu. These are Estonian children deported in 1949 who got the opportunity to return from Siberia after Stalin's death. The so-called "Siberian youth" spoke to secondary school students about the experience of deportation through the eyes of a child. About their families coping with life, the situation in the Tomsk and Irkutsk regions, the journey back to their homeland, and what awaited them here. **The conversations with the "Siberian youth" were touching and unforgettable for the rest of our lives because none of us gets any younger.**

In addition, in collaboration with the Estonian Institute of Remembrance, we visited all three memorials in Maarjamäe. During the tour, Allar Tui, the communications manager of the institute, gave a thorough introduction to the **Memorial to the Victims of Communism in Estonia**. The history and purpose of the memorial were explained in detail, as well as the principles of entering individuals on its memorial walls and electronic memorial. In addition, students were taught to use the electronic database and read additional information from it. From the Memorial to the Victims of Communism, we moved to the adjacent Tallinn Maarjamäe German War Cemetery. The cemetery's scale and the buried soldiers' role in the Second World War and Estonian history were discussed. Finally, we also stopped at the ENSV Maarjamäe memorial and obelisk, where the guide vividly reflected the Soviet-era tactics of creating the desired image of the approach to history through symbolism.

## PRACTICUM "DIFFERENT ESTONIAS"

The last stop was the Estonian War Museum in Viimsi, where the 113th graduate year of MHG was introduced to the history of the dignified building, the wars that took place on Estonian territory, the participation of Estonian men in the armed units of different countries, the story of the formation of the national army and military cooperation today. Students also had the opportunity to try on different uniforms and handle paraphernalia. In the museum's outdoor area, the students could take a closer look at the armoured train, and in the military equipment hangar, they stopped at the more exciting exhibits.

**The study tour was organized by Alla Vinititšenko and Urma Linnus.**

Let the lesson remember the words of the poet Paul-Eerik Rummo: "We stick together like a discouraged bee family, we stick together like this, and let's go through the sea".



## MENTAL HEALTH BINGO

**October is Mental Health Month. On 10 October, World Mental Health Day was celebrated for the 32nd time. The goal is to help you remember that you must regularly take care of your mental health.**

Sufficient sleep, varied nutrition, physical activity, good relationships with others and oneself, and pleasant emotions are the foundations of mental health. It is necessary to keep both the body and mind in shape, and all this requires daily practices because at least half of a person's health depends on their own lifestyle choices.

**Our support team conducted a mental health bingo for Mental Health Day. Several hundred students took part in the bingo. We raffled off 14 prizes (there was a separate raffle with three prizes in the Puiestee building).**

### The winners were:

Ralf Pariots 1a  
Trevon Zupsman 1a  
Miina Tikk 2a  
Daniel Svitsškar 2a  
Kaarel Hein 2a  
Helmi Priks 2b  
Paula Miliste 5a  
Johann Uibo 6a  
Grete Estelle Varv 6a  
Valentina Zaytseva 8a  
Sebastian Sõritsa 9a  
Katariina Kants 11a  
Lotta Eigo 12a  
Eleriin Sepp 12b

**Vaimse tervise BINGO**

TÄIDA LEHT MÖLEMALT POOLT. TOO LEHT KOOLI RAAMATUKOKKU 14. OKTOOBRIKS.

NIMI: \_\_\_\_\_ KLASS: \_\_\_\_\_

LEIDSIN AEGA MEELDIVA RAAMATU LUGEMISEKS	TÄITSIN PEAASI. EE LEHEL VITAMIINI TESTI <small>*1 KOOLIASTE KOOS VANEMAGA</small>	KÄISIN LOODUSES JALUTAMAS	MÄNGISIN LAUMÄNGU
LUBASIN ENDALE ÜHE HÖRGUTISE	TEGELESIN ENDALE MEELDIVA TEGEVUSEGA	VÄHENDASIN TEADLIKULT EKRAANIAEGA	TEGIN TRENNI VÕI OLIN AKTIIVNE
MAGASIN VÄHEMALT 8 TUNDI	KUULASIN OMA LEMMIKMUUSIKAT	VEETSIN AEGA SÕPRADEGA	NIMETASIN 3 ASJA, MILLE EEST TÄNULIK OLLA
TEGIN HEATEO	MÄRKASIN ENDA JUURES HEAD	KANDSIN OMA LEMMIKRIETUST	PROOVISIN VÕI ÕPPISIN MIDAGI UUT

We thank all participants!

MHG support team Regita, Gerli, Sirli, Pille and Kaija





- Dark autumn is here once again, and to ensure that our lovely school family is still visible on the streets, you need to wear reflectors!
- The helping hand of Miina Härma is waiting for the reflectors you don't use yourself but also offers them to those in need. If you have a spare reflector you can't find a use for, you can bring it to Design teacher Liis Somelar or the PYP Coordinator Triinu Pihus, who will hang it on Miina Härma's hands at the Tõnissoni building.
- If you don't have any of your own, there's a great opportunity to pick one up!
- PS! You can also leave your reflector on the door handle of the handicraft/design classroom when the teacher is not present and the door is locked.

## MÄNGUVAHETUNNID 1.-4. KLASSIDELE

Mänguvahetunnid võimalas!

Mänguvahetund  
mängujuhtide  
juhendamisel toimub  
neljapäeviti  
kell 13.05-13.20 võimalas.

Tule mängima ja võta sõber ka kaasa!  
Õpetaja Age ja mängujuhid.



## JUST DANCE FRIDAYS AT PUIESTEE

Come and join us for fun  
**Just Dance sessions**  
during every break time on  
**Fridays**  
in the  
**Puiestee school building!**



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