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## **BIRTHDAYS**

08.01 Jana Kübar

08.01 Helene Hütt

14.01 Anita Kreen



### PLAY "ALICE IN WONDERLAND"

On 6 January, the play "Alice in Wonderland" took place in the school Aula. The two-act play, based on Lewis Carroll's "Alice in Wonderland," was directed by Margaret Roost (12b) and Helene Teder (12a). Ivika Hein was the practical work supervisor.



The actors were Laura Kirke Bertel Pertel, Laura Nacke, Margaret Roost, Johanna Marie Nöps, Lasse Oselin, Diana Timmusk, Maria Jürgenson, Rando Jaaksoo, Alide Kristine Alba, Kirke Käpp, Saskia Jõgever, Triinu Liis Kuul, Grete Elisabeth Laumets, Jakob Hagu, Helene Teder, Koit Helger Panksepp, Emma Elisabet Luht, Riin Värton, Brigitta Seire.

Fiona Valkenklau, Arabella Leego, and Helerin Salve helped with costumes and make-up.

Helga Kadi Leedo hosted the thematic cafébuffet.

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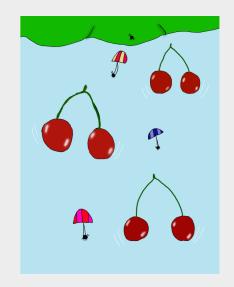
#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 8 January DSD II oral exam.
- 9 January school round of the basic school Biology Olympiad; 9b on a study tour in Tallinn.
- 9–10 January VKV final competition in Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry; 11th grades cultural trip to Riga.
- 13 January first-aid training for grade 10b.
- 14 January XXVIII National Song Festival "Iseoma" rehearsal for children's choirs.
- 15 January school inclusive budget project meeting; 10a skating at Town
   Hall Square
- 16 January regional round of the secondary school Social Studies Olympiad.
- 17 January **deadline for evaluating Personal Projects for 9th graders**, the regional round of Social Studies Olympiad for basic school, and the regional round of the Biology Olympiad for secondary school.
- 23 January Regional round of the Estonian as Mother Tongue Olympiad for grades 7–12; XXVIII National Song Festival "Iseoma" children's choirs' category rehearsal and first recital.
- 24 January **end of the semester in basic school**; rehearsal and performance for mixed choirs of the XXVIII National Song Festival "Iseoma"; 11th and 10th graders' joint visit to the theatre "12 Angry Men" in Tallinn.
- 27 January regional round of the French Olympiad.
- 28 January Pedagogical Leadership Team meeting; Parent Advisory Board meeting; XXVIII National Song Festival "Iseoma" first rehearsal and recital for boys' choirs.
- 30 January Grade 1 Open House at 17:45 for parents of first graders (Estonian classes only).
- 31 January Teachers' Committee meeting No. 1; 10a class night.
- 2 February Anniversary of the Peace Treaty of Tartu.
- 4 February **Independent Study Day**; **Teachers Collaboration Day**; Härmatis 8–9; C1 and C2 Dance Party recital.
- 5 February UPT defences.
- 8 February Miina Härma Ball 2025.
- 9 February Miina Härma's 161st birthday.

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## **NOTICED AT HÄRMA**

• Loore Räisa (4b) participated in the digital art "Creativity Algorithm" competition Estonian Education and Youth Agency's ProgeTiiger program and won the grand prize at the second school level. Her work was titled "A Mosquito Jumps Down with a Parachute". 393 diverse digitally created works of art were submitted to the competition, highlighting young people's creativity and ability to combine the possibilities of art and technology. More information HERE.



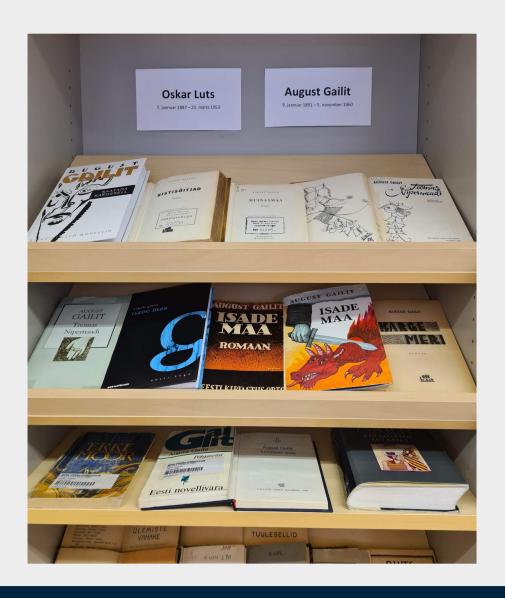
- At the winter open Mathematics competition held on 14 December, in the younger age group (grades 9–10), **Jelizaveta Lissovskaja** (10a, teacher Tiiu Sasi) took 36th place, and **Helena Sasi** (9b, Tiiu Sasi) took 46th place. In the older age group (grades 11–12), **Sherkhan Torekhanov** (11DP, Signe Kinnas) took 6th place, and **Karolin Ruumet** (12a, Tiiu Sasi) took 29th place.
- Teacher **Külli Karask** is a nominee for the Estonian Choral Association's annual choral and wind music **conductor-music teacher award**! The award recipients will be announced at the annual choral and wind music gala on Sunday, 9 February, 2025 at 15:00 in the Estonia Concert Hall.
- On 3 January, the teachers' collaboration day took place. The topic was "Brain development perceptions of ability." After lecture on the topic, teachers practiced giving feedback appropriate to the growth mindset in study circles. Triinu Pihus and Terje Hallik prepared the collaboration day.





#### NATIONAL ESTONIAN BOOK YEAR

- In 2025, we will celebrate the 500th anniversary of the publication of a book in Estonian. In 1525, a Lutheran manual was published in the languages used in Livonia, including Estonian, but no copies of this book have survived. The first Estonian-language book, fragments of which have survived, is the catechism compiled in German by Simon Wanradt, a pastor at Niguliste Church in Tallinn, and translated by Johann Koell, a chaplain at the Pühavaimu Church and Estonian preacher, from 1535, known as the Wanradt-Koell Catechism.
- The nationwide celebration of the Estonian Book Year begins on 30 January, the anniversary of Anton Hansen Tammsaare's birth. The president of Estonia, Alar Karis, is the patron of the Estonian Book Year.
- Our school library will host an exhibition of the works of Oskar Luts and August Gailit in January, the anniversary of these writers' births.





## NOTICED AT HÄRMA

# OPEN HOUSE DAY FOR PARENTS OF 1ST GRADE STUDENTS 30 JANUARY AT 17:45 IN THE AULA OF MINA HÄRMA GÜMNAASIUM

You can register for the admission day electronically in the sissestastumine.ee environment from 20 January to 10 February, 2025. Registration ends on February 10 at 9:00 PM.

An admission day to determine school readiness will be held 15 February, 2025 from 10:00 to 12:00 and from 13:00 to 15:00 by prior registration.

The admission day is only meant for students applying for Estonian classes.



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