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18 FEB, 2025

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BIRTHDAYS

17.02	Nisha Shailendra
	Kulkarni

18.02 Egle-Diana Keldt

22.02 Jüri Raudmaa

25.02 Jorgen Metsik

02.03 Regita Saksing

03.03 Marii Kangur

05.03 Helgi Rootslane

05.03 Mithu Guha



REPUBLIC OF ESTONIA 107

We have a small country where everyone counts and is important. We are not anonymous here, each of our contributions is noticeable.

We have a small country, we don't have to travel three days to reach the capital. All the most important services are close by.

We have one of the most beautiful and difficult languages in the world, spoken by only a few people in the world. Let's be proud that we know it. Our people are smart, proactive, concrete and ambitious. We love nature, sauna, fun and good company.

We do rather than talk.

Our language and culture, our land and people, our beliefs and traditions are unique to us. Let us preserve this uniqueness.

Happy birthday to the Estonian state!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 17 February Estonian language national exam II mock exam; 4ab parents' meeting at 17:00; 4th grade HARNO survey; 8:30–9:15 alumnus Karel Kõiv in 10th grade homeroom lesson; 7th and 8th graders in the educational program "Whom belongs History?" at the University of Tartu Museum; 10th graders at Kuutsemäe; Aleks Hokkanen from Tartu Health Care College visits the biology hobby group.
- 18 February citywide German translation competition for secondary school students; at 17:30-19.15, workshop for parents "Supporting the social development of children"; 7b at Pallas Gallery, Elina Brotherus' exhibition "In the houses of the architect homes of Alvar Aalto".
- 19 February Regional round of the Mathematical Olympiad for grades
 4–6; introduction to the school building and Science teaching for a group of Lithuanian teachers.
- 20 February 5-6e humanities education program "The world of behavior patterns" at the Toy Museum; alumna Mari-Liis Somelar in the "Life in the Information Society" course class; alumna Liis-Aleksandra Boisen in the 10c Physics class.
- 21 February ceremonies marking the anniversary of the Republic of Estonia; graduation photos of 9th and 12th graders and teachers in "peeglisaal"; Estonian Ambassador to Israel Veikko Kala speaks to teachers and 12th graders about the situation in the Middle East; Kristiina Ehin performs at the secondary school ceremony; 11DP class night.
- 22 February 2 March school holidays.
- 24 February 107th anniversary of the Republic of Estonia.
- 4 March 8a at the Tartu Sadamateater in the performance "Mitte midagi".
- 5 March la active learning program at Just Dance School.
- 6 March **Regional round of the Economics Olympiad**; 7th grade in the study program "Estonian Hoofed animals in Elistvere"; 1b in the active learning program at Just Dance school.
- 7 March 7b in the study program "Estonian Hoofed Animals in Elistvere".
- March 8 Children's choir singing camp in the MHG Aula.



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The office opening hours during the holidays are:

25.–28.02.2025
from 9.00–13.00

HAVE A NICE HOLIDAY!

- Roosi Kõiv (7b, supervisor Karmen Grigor), has been invited to the final round of the Estonian Mother Tongue Olympiad. The Olympiad takes place every year, and is organized alternately by the University of Tartu and Tallinn University. Students from the younger age group (7th–8th grade) and the two older groups (9th–10th grade and 11th–12th grade) qualify for the final round through a regional assignment round. A total of 80 students from three age groups will be invited to the final round.
- Märt Mattias Alas (5b) has been invited to the final round of the Olympiad in Informatics. The Olympiad in Informatics involves finding and programming algorithms to solve data processing tasks set by the jury. The Olympiad will take place in three stages: an open competition, a preliminary round, and a final round, based on the results of which the jury will select the candidates for the Estonian team for international competitions.

NOTICED IN HÄRMA

• The "Man and Law" module course ended on 12 February with a student study tour to the Supreme Court. Chief Justice Julia Laffrangue introduced the students to Estonian judicial system and the work of the Supreme Court. The students were able to tour the Supreme Court building. Our alumnus, Counselor of Constitutional Review Martin Kreutzberg, also participated in the meeting. Our parent, Judicial Counselor Mari-Liis Viirsalu, helped organize the study tour.



Physics Olympiad Tartu Regional Round

- Among the basic school students, Lennart Sein (9a) took 8th place,
 Kaisa Tullus (9a) and Lille-Mai Kangur (9a) shared 13th place. The aupervisor was Aile Einola. In the 11th grade category, Uku Nael (11DP) took 1st place, Sherkhan Torekhanov (11DP) took 2nd place, Nurkhan Torekhanov (11DP) took 3rd place, and Mart Väljamäe (11b) took 6th place. The students were supervised by Leo Aleksander Siiman, Riina Murulaid, and Uku Andreas Reigo.
- In the 12th grade competition, Erik Julius Lindgren (12b) took 1st place,
 Karolin Ruumet (12a) and Andri Türkson (12b) shared 3rd place, and
 Nico Rooden took 6th place. The supervisors were Riina Murulaid and
 Uku Andreas Reigo.
- Jasper Alla (10c) from the middle age group has been invited to the **final** round of the Estonian Literature Olympiad. Supervisor Ivika Hein. The final round will take place on 28 February. The Olympiad takes place every four years and is organized by the University of Tartu. Participants are divided into three groups: students in grades 7–8, 9–10 and 11–12. In the preliminary round, students in the younger age group write a discussion piece, and students in the middle and older groups write a research paper. 30 students will be invited to the final round.

NOTICED IN HÄRMA

• On 16 February, the 51st Tartu Ski Marathon took place, in which our teachers Tairo Talvis, Riina Murulaid, Lilia Ilves, and Eda Lemberg took

part.



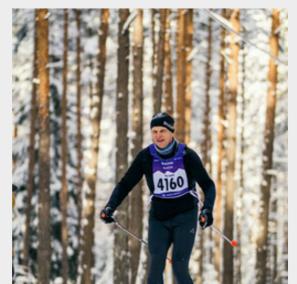
Lilia Ilves



Riina Murulaid



Eda Lemberg
Pictures from sportfoto.com



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• On 15–16 February, the Latvian Open Adult Indoor Archery Championship took place in Ventspils, where students from Tartu parish Sports School, including Noora Sipria, a 10c student at MHG, competed very successfully against adults. Noora Sipria (U21), who competed in the women's instinctive archery category, achieved 4th place in the competition. This season, Noora also holds 1st place in the Estonian Indoor Cup competitions (U18).

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 On 14 February, we celebrated Valentine's Day at the Tonissoni 3 and Puiestee 62 buildings. Throughout the day, both Student Councils had been thinking of exciting activities for their fellow students. The evening ended with a movie night at the Puiestee street building.





• On 12 February, the second meeting of the Entrepreneurship module and **inclusive school budget** for 9th grade students took place. This time, the topic of the meeting was marketing one's idea. The workshop was conducted by **Liisi Rohtung**, who was (and still is) a communications specialist at the Tartu 2024 Foundation.







WORKS SUBMITTED FOR THE NATIONAL STUDENT RESEARCH COMPETITION

The works submitted to the competition will be evaluated by a 19-member committee consisting of representatives from various fields of life. In addition to the committee members, each work will also be evaluated by a specialist expert. The second round of the competition will take place on 8–9 April at the Student Science Festival at the AHHAA Science Center, where the best student researchers in Estonia will be identified, the most outstanding of whom will also be sent to represent Estonia at international competitions.

Maria Peedimaa's research paper "Implementation of the Estonian National Curriculum Elective Subject System and Satisfaction with It on the Example of the 113th graduating year of Miina Härma Gümnaasium", supervisor Tiia Lepik.

Helga Kadi Leedo's research paper "The relationship between women's hospitalization and social position using the example of the University of Tartu Psychiatric Clinic in 1887–1888", supervisors **Alla Vinitšenko** and **Anu Rae.**

Margaret Saks' research paper "What do people who have chosen the profession of special education teacher see as the charm and pain of the job?", supervisors **Terje Hallik** and **Tiiu Kadajas.**

Mia Britt Williams', research paper "The impact of joint tests on the mental well-being of young people graduating from 9th grade using the example of thirteen municipal schools in the city of Tartu", supervisor **Regita Saksing.**

Norah Elisabeth Ratas' research paper "Personality Perception: An Analysis of Self-Esteem and Different Evaluation Perspectives Based on the Big Five Model", supervisor **Regita Saksing.**

Geia Rõivas' research paper "The Rights of Minors in the Estonian Judicial System: Legislative Changes and Practice", supervisor **Regita Saksing.**

Saskia Jõgever's research paper "Does society judge an individual's lawabidingness based on their appearance?", supervisor **Kari Kalk.**



WORKS SUBMITTED FOR THE NATIONAL STUDENT RESEARCH COMPETITION

Maarja-Lill Madisson's research paper "The fruit fly as a model for studying carcinogenesis", supervised by Anne Laius and Osamu Shimmi.

Meribel Merdian's research paper "Life cycle of medicines and application for marketing authorization", supervisors **Anne Laius** and **Ott Laius**.

Adanna Emily Egwenu's research paper "Microbial abundance and presence of Staphylococcus aureus bacteria on antimicrobial surfaces in real-world use", supervised by **Helen Semilarski**, **Harleen Kaur** and **Angela Ivask**.

Karolin Ruumet's research paper "Measuring the parameters of solar cells in artificial light using Cu2Zn(Sn1-xGex)S4 as an example", supervisors **Jörgen Metsik** and **Marit Kauk-Kuusik**.

Jakob Hagu's research paper "Analysis of the dietary habits of Tallinn residents who died in the plague epidemic of 1710", supervised by **Ivika Hein, Mari Tõrv** and **Holar Sepp.**

Hanna-Mirjam Roots' practical work "Artistic works in cyanotype technique", supervisor **Ivika Hiis.**

Jasper Alla's research paper written for the Literature Olympiad: "Formation of the Identity of the Main Character in Karl Ristikivi's Novel "The Witch's Student", supervisor **Ivika Hein.**





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Republic of Estonia 107th anniversary



FESTIVE CEREMONIES 21.02.2025

grades 5-9

at 11:20 in Aula (4th lesson)

grades 1-4

at 12:20 in Aula (5th lesson)

grades 10-12

at 13:15 in Aula (6th lesson)

FORMAL CLOTHES AND SCHOOL HATS



NB! The school day finishes after the ceremony.



ESTONIAN FOOD WEEK

