

KÄRLA PÕHIKOO

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Presentation of Kärla Basic School

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Area: 45 339 km²

Population: 1 330 000

68% Estonians,

24% Russians

Capital: Tallinn

ESTONIAN NATIONAL SYMBOLS



SWALLOW



CORNFLOWER



LIMESTONE

Estonian leaders



**President Kersti Kaljulaid
since 2016**



**Prime Minister Kaja Kallas
since 2021**

The most important facts about Estonia I

- Estonia's UNESCO world heritage capital city Tallinn is the best-preserved medieval city in Northern Europe
- Estonia is about 50% forest and Estonia has over 2000 islands
- Estonia is flat, the highest spot is 318 m



The most important facts about Estonia II

- Estonia speaks Estonian...as well as English, Russian, Finnish and German
- The Estonian Song and Dance Celebration, which dates back to 1869, is a gathering of up to 200,000 performers and spectators in every 5 years. We are „singing nation“
- Estonia is a digital society: the first e-government in the world, e-voting, e-residency, digital signing of documents



State language: Estonian

TERE! = HI!

AITÄH! = THANK YOU!

HEAD AEGA! = GOODBYE!

TERVISEKS! = CHEERS!

**PALUN! = PLEASE; YOUR ARE
WELCOME**

Saaremaa

Island of **Saaremaa**
31 400 inhabitants
Kuressaare 13 300
inhabitants
Kärla village (ca
800+800 inhabitants)
is 20 km from
Kuressaare



The best of Saaremaa

- Best preserved mediaeval fortress in the Baltic countries.
- Among the biggest meteorite craters in the world, [Kaali](#) crater ranks number eight.
- Angla windmills which are one of the best preserved windmill groups in Estonia



EDUCATION in Estonia

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Life-long learning

PhD
2500

Integrated
master's degree
3 100

Master's degree
11 500

Bachelor's
degree
16 000

Professional
education
13 000

Secondary education
22 000

Vocational education
24 000

Basic education
129 000

Pre-primary education

Estonia's education system in a nutshell



Pre-primary education

- ✓ Up to 7
- ✓ 628 kindergartens
- ✓ 94% of all four-year-olds attend





Basic education

- ✓ Ages 7 to 17
- ✓ Compulsory
- ✓ 129 000 students





Upper secondary education

- ✓ 22 000 students
- ✓ 533 schools





Vocational education

- ✓ 24 000 students
- ✓ 32 VET institutions





Higher education

- ✓ BA, MA and PhD
- ✓ 46 100 students
- ✓ 742 curriculums





Post-higher education

- ✔ Life long learning and adult education
- ✔ More than 17% participate in adult education



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Kärula Basic School

About us

- Kärla Basic School is one of the biggest rural basic schools in Saaremaa with 121 students and 21 teachers
- Under the Municipality of Saare County
- The school has nine classes: one for each grade.
- A social pedagogue, special education teacher/speech therapist are employed as supportive specialists.
- The educational technologist instructs teachers on digital education practices.
- The school board – 8 members, incl 1 representative of students, 1 of teachers, 3 of parents, 1 of stakeholders, 1 of alumni and 1 of local government



Kärle Basic School vision 2035

We are a cooperative learning community

- We are a learning organisation, where we learn from each other - students from teachers and teachers from students - and there is sharing of experiences. All school families, homes, and partners are involved by learning with the mind and the heart.
- We are a mixture of entrepreneurship, creativity, and academic knowledge.
- We are the centre of our community - we bind together different generations and traditions. The heart is a symbol of the centre of the network, that is responsible for the circulation of relationships and connections, and provides energy for individuals and the community.
- We are a local school with nine grades, where we welcome all students from our county. We are willing to increase the number of students to 24 students per class.

Mission

- We are enterprising, with a lifelong joy of learning and a breeding ground for world champions.
- We create a developmental environment for the doers, who are ready to build a new world. Every child is a world champion of their dreams if they're ready to make an effort for their goals and make them come true.
- We wish that everyone in our school feels valued and that they dare to dream big.



Values

I learn through teaching and teach through learning.

- I am open-minded
- I am active in school activities and I am willing to initiate events
- I know that I don't always know, so I can ask for help
- I am curious and ready to explore
- I dare to make mistakes
- I support others in their growth
- I know I'm valuable and I also value others

I know who I am and who I want to become

- I know my abilities and I believe in myself
- I notice the differences of others and I take them into account
- I rely on my strength
- I believe I can make the world better
- I always do and give my best



I feel happy about my actions and choices

- I go to school happily because it might be the best day of my life
- I strive to do my best
- I am happy about my progress
- I am kind and friendly to others
- I keep a positive mood and a happy mind

School year

- School year lasts from September 1 until June 11th
- 175 school days per school year
- 5 periods x 7 weeks = 35 study weeks
- Teachers work 35 hours per week (21 academic lessons per week), the holiday is 8 weeks
- The number of lessons per week:

1st grade - 20	4th grade - 25	7th grade – 30
2nd grade - 23	5th grade - 28	8th grade - 32
3rd grade - 25	6th grade - 30	9th grade - 32



Main documents

- The national curriculum and the school curriculum
- The development plan of school
- Annual work plan and plan of activities
- Self-evaluation of teachers and self-evaluation report of school,
- Annual national feedback questionnaires for students, parents and teachers



Thank you!



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