

## ORU LASTEAED “MESIMUMM”



### **Organisation description**

Oru Lasteaed “Mesimumm” was founded in 1984. It is located in Oru village of Kose parish, 35km from Tallinn. There are 6 groups in a kindergarten with children of 1,5 - 7 years old: Mummid, Summid, Taruke, Õieke, Kärjeke and Mesilinnud.

We provide an engaging and stimulating education following the Estonian National Pre-school Curriculum. Our professionals help children develop a wide range of skills and give them the best preparation for school. The values we promote in our kindergarten are cooperation, friendliness, openness, caring for others and honesty. The activities are carried out in Estonian language.

Besides regular activities children can participate in different activities such as judo, yoga and singing. We celebrate different Estonian traditions like Christmas, Estonian Independence Day, mardipäev to name a few. Our kindergarten has joined the Health Promoting Kindergarten network in Estonia and we hold a Heart week every spring with different types of activities to promote healthy lifestyle (e.g. bike trips, sports games, eating out etc).

Right next to the kindergarten is an adventure park and woods for walks with different types of trees and plants.



### **Project context**

The population of Oru village is around 400. There is a school, an old manor with a park, a restaurant and a little zoo in the village. One can nearby also found a Witch's Well in Tuhala kars area well known for its elements of folkore.

### **Profile of Volunteer and Recruitment Process**

The volunteer will be selected in cooperation with our coordinating organisation MTÜ Noortevahetuse Arengu Ühing EstYES. We expect the volunteer to be friendly and energetic who enjoys working with young children. His or her own initiative in terms of activities and projects would be welcomed. No teaching background needed.





### **Proposed activities**

The volunteer can participate in all events and activities to give a helping hand. The volunteer will work under supervision and guidance getting all kind of support needed.

In general, we expect the volunteer:

- to develop and carry out creative and physical activities
- to help with preparation of classes
- to participate in outdoor trips
- to help organizing different events
- to assist children to get dressed if needed

### **Living conditions**

Accommodation will be arranged in cooperation with coordinating organisation MTÜ EstYES. Volunteers will be placed in flats that correspond to normal Estonian living standards. All volunteers have either single or double room and common rooms: equipped kitchen, WC, shower/bathroom and living room. Usually in Tallinn volunteers share flat with other international volunteers.

### **Risk prevention, protection and safety**

Our kindergarten will ensure that the volunteer work is safe and it has been assessed for risk. The volunteer will have access to adequate safety equipment if needed. The volunteer will be trained and get familiarized with volunteering tasks. He or she will have a mentor to get various assistance and support. The volunteer will take part in regular meetings with a project supervisor to discuss the course of EVS project. MTÜ EstYES offers also additional training seminars and gatherings where volunteers can take part and share their experiences with other volunteers.

