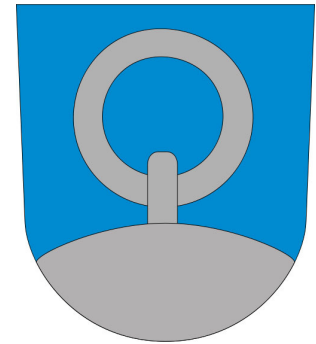


Our Village – Merijärvi



Merijärvi is situated in northern Ostrobothnia near Oulu. Merijärvi is a little, but lively village. There are about 1,200 inhabitants in Merijärvi. The municipality manager is Mrs. Kaija Eskola.



All the basic services can be found in Merijärvi. There are a school, a library, a sports hall called Kilpukka, a sheltered housing Salmenranta, a health care center and a little grocery store Sale and a gas station.

The main sources of livelihood are agriculture, small-scale industry and services.

Sights of Merijärvi are e.g. the Lutheran Church, the local history museum Tähjä and of course the beautiful nature in Merijärvi.

There are classes 0–9 in Koivupuhto School. There is also a preschool here. We have about 200 students; in primary school there are about 150 students and in secondary school about 60 students. We have 20 teachers. We study English, Swedish, mother tongue; Finnish, maths, biology, geography, physics, chemistry, household, sports, crafts, arts and crafts, civics, religion, word processing and agriculture and forestry. We have 30 hours a week. Free school lunch is served in our school every day. During our school year we have an autumn holiday (one week), a Christmas holiday (two weeks), a winter holiday (one week), Easter holiday (four days) and a summer holiday (two months).



This is our school called Koivupuhto.



This is the sports hall of Merijärvi, Kilpukka. You can do sports and organize parties here.



This is the library of Merijärvi. There you can read newspapers, listen to music and borrow books which is free here. The library is open five days a week.



This is a sheltered housing of Merijärvi, Salmenranta and in the same building there is the health care center, where you can find a doctor's and a dentist's appointment and a children's clinic.



This is the Lutheran Church of Merijärvi. The church was built 1781.



This is the Local history museum Tähjä, where you can see how people lived in the old days.



This is the falls of Pyhäkoski.



This is the pond Lahdenlampi.



This is a typical view in Merijärvi.

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