



The National Conversation on Education

Student Council of Griffeen Valley ETNS Submission

We, the Student Council of Griffeen Valley ETNS, representing students from 1st to 6th class, would like to share what matters most to us in our school experience and what we hope future schools in Ireland will look like. These ideas were gathered during a collaborative activity where we reflected and shared our thoughts creatively about what helps us learn and what we would like to see in the future.

Many things are working well for us. Students enjoy art, PE, drama, history and fun lessons. It is important to mention that many feel supported by the adults in our school.

There are also areas we would like to improve. One of the strongest messages from students is the wish for less homework or no homework at all. Another relevant aspect is the need to improve the quality of hot lunches.

When we imagine the future, we picture a fun, safe, creative school with more space, better lunches, more outdoor activities, and lessons that feel exciting and meaningful. Students also suggested a suggestion board in every class so everyone can share ideas.

A safe school is very important to us. Students want no bullying, no rough play, and kinder friendships. We want a school where everyone feels respected and included.

We are proud of our school and the kindness we experience every day. We want schools in Ireland to be places where students feel safe, respected and excited to learn. We hope

our ideas help shape a future where learning is creative, active and meaningful, and where every child feels supported to do their best.

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