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Agrupamento de Escolas **Santos Simões**

School Presentation

"Building the Future Together"





Santos Simões School (Agrupamento de Escolas Santos Simões) is a non-profit public school that was established in 2007 and it develops an educational project with the theme "Building the Future Together".

School year 2024/2025

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1782

Students of different levels

3-18

Age of students



Kindergarten

6 classes - 133 students

Basic School (grade 5 to 9)

30 classes - 750 students

Primary School (grade 1 to 4)

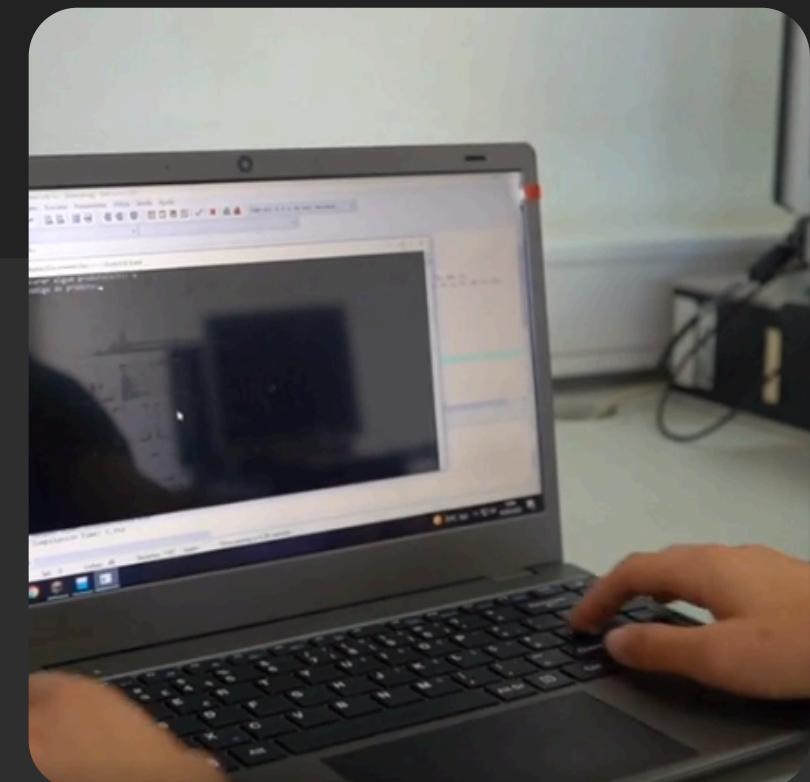
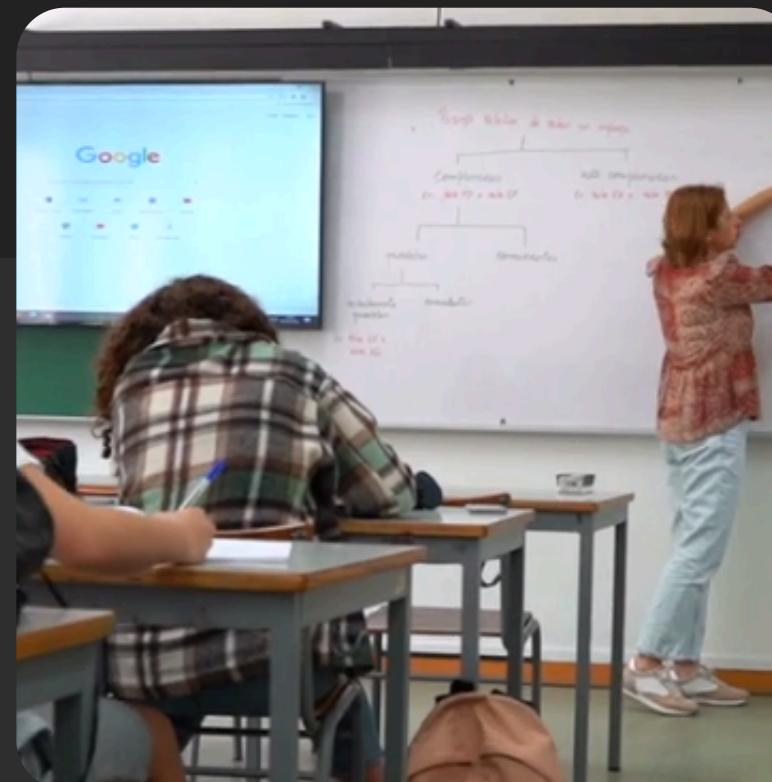
23 classes - 502 students

High School (grade 10 to 12)

17 classes - 397 students

Educational offer

In the high school education, there are scientific and humanistic courses (Science and Technology, Visual Arts, Languages/ Humanities and Economics) and vocational courses.



Educational offer

The school has partnerships with several institutions, namely with "Conservatório de Música de Guimarães", which materializes the music education for about 70 students from primary to high school.



Our Human Resources

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156

Teachers

68

Support Staff

11

Administrative Assistants

1

IT Technician

3

Psychologists

(Psychology and Guidance Service)

2

Social Workers

1

Speech Therapist



6 buildings

Headquarters
5 Primary Schools

Our institution is comprised of five primary school buildings, four of them with kindergarten, and a school with basic and high school education, which is the headquarters.

Headquarters

Basic School
High School

In the headquarters
there are students
from the 5th to the
12th grade.





We have two libraries, a sports pavillion, a learning support centre, labs, an auditorium, a canteen, a coffee bar...

Annual Plan of Activities

Santos Simões School has an Annual Plan of Activities which is one of the autonomy enforcement tools and it reflects the school location, contributing to the creation of a successful and quality school, inclusive for all.



European exchange

Among the three hundred activities carried out annually, a relevant set of them promotes the internationalization of the School, namely in the Erasmus + and eTwinning programmes.



Eco-Schools Program

Santos Simões School has been awarded several Green Flags for its successful implementation of the Eco-Schools Programme.

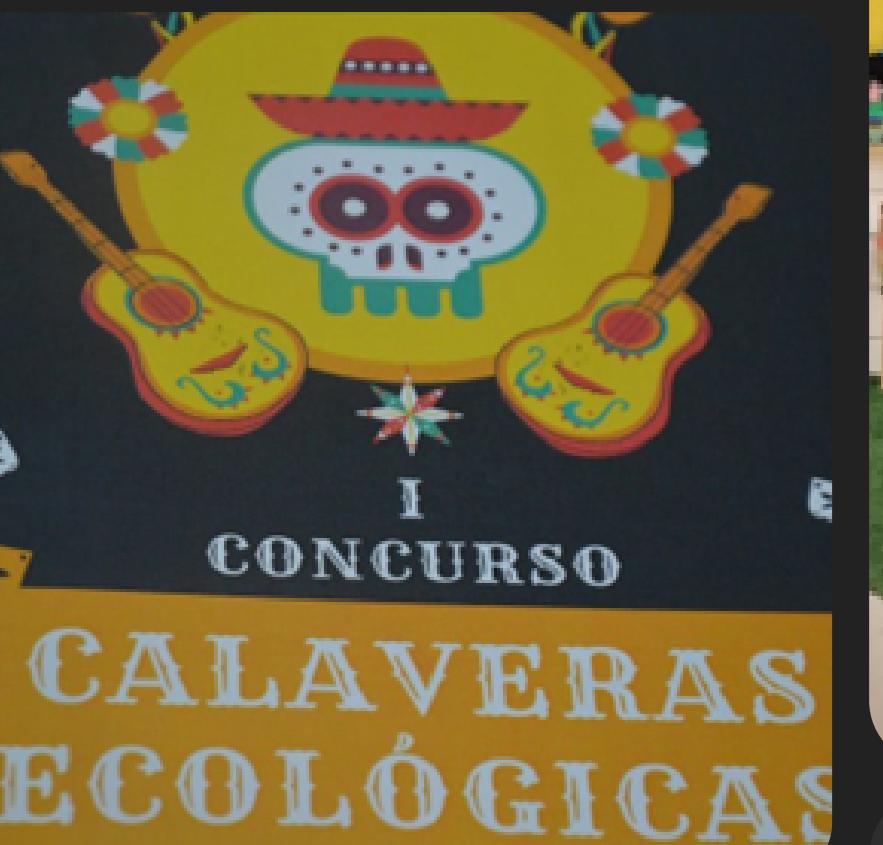
This means that our school community has sustainability concerns and follows an action plan to improve the school's environmental performance.



Key activities from the 2023/24 action plan

Projects Using Reusable or Recycled Materials

- Contest and exhibition of "compass roses".
- Cubist garden
- Contest and exhibition of "Ecological Skulls."
- Contest and exhibition of "European Monuments."



Key activities from the 2023/24 action plan

Eco-School Day and Sustainability March -
22nd April

- On the 22nd April, about 1,200 students marched in Guimarães for Eco-School Day, promoting sustainability and environmental awareness.



Gatil Simãozinho (The Cattery)

One of the most emblematic projects of our school is the Simãozinho cattery, which shelters about 60 cats that can be sponsored by the students and their families. Our Cattery also promotes the responsible adoption of pets.

Recently our school won a national award for citizenship education (Gandhi Award) under the theme "Animal Well-being".



Bilingual School Programme

Santos Simões School applied for the Bilingual Schools Programme. This is an innovative pilot project in the public education system, which aims to teach through the Portuguese and English languages from the beginning of obligatory education. After approval, it is being introduced in kindergarten and in some 1st and 2nd grade classes.



A School of Success and Values

The AESS has the ambition of consolidating itself as a school of reference for the quality of learning, for the educational success of its students and for the promotion of principles and values referenced in the Students' Profile at the end of Compulsory Education (PASEO). It also intends to be acknowledged as an innovative and active institution.



The Tree of Values

The "Tree of Values", which was placed in one of the walls of the headquarters' main hall, is an icon that relates to the student's profile, of humanist foundation, and it is centred on the person and on the human dignity as fundamental values.

It represents the culture of the School that encourages students to develop and apply the values of...



Responsibility



Integrity



Excellence



Demand



Curiosity



Reflection



Innovation



Citizenship



Participation



Freedom



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