



Welcome to the September PPLI/Languages Connect Newsletter. We work with partners to diversify, enhance and expand foreign languages education in Ireland.

#ThinkLanguages Week Registration Open

A graphic for #ThinkLanguages Week registration. It features a large orange speech bubble on a solid orange background. Inside the speech bubble, the text '#ThinkLanguages Week' is written in white, and 'Think Global Act Local' is written in yellow below it.

#ThinkLanguages Week
Think Global Act Local

Registration is now open for #ThinkLanguages Week! As an Associated Event of Ireland's EU Presidency 2026, this year features a range of activities with cultural institutes, universities and partners across Ireland, including new opportunities to visit the Europa Experience. Find out more and [register here>>](#)

Primary Language Upskilling Courses



Explore the foreign language upskilling opportunities available to primary teachers this academic year. Funded by the Department of Education and Youth and facilitated by PPLI/Languages Connect with partner providers, courses are available in a variety of languages and formats. To learn more about the options and access registration links, [click here>>](#)

Open Night Toolkit Communities of Practice



Getting ready for your school's open night? Looking for ideas to motivate and encourage students to choose a language subject? Why not attend our communities of practice that focus on preparing for these open-night events. Further details and registration [here>>](#)

Culture Night and European Day of Languages



Culture Night takes place on Friday 18 September and once again we have teamed up with our partners at the EU Commission to offer language taster classes at Europe House. Come along and try Arabic, French, Polish and more! On Friday 25 September online taster classes will also be offered as part of our European Day of Languages celebrations. [Read more>>](#)

Say Yes to Languages



A warm welcome to the 1,266 primary schools participating in Say Yes to Languages this academic year. With more than 600 schools participating in Term 1, the delivery of SYTL resource packs is set to begin next week. For more information about the module and what's involved, [click here>>](#)

Annual Report



If you haven't read our annual report yet, don't forget it's available online. You can find out more about PPLI's progress in implementing key actions in the Languages Connect Strategy, the Say Yes to Languages primary module, language upskilling, #ThinkLanguages, language provision, resources, events, and more! To view online [click here>>](#)

Let's Talk Languages



PPLI invites applications from schools to participate in Let's Talk Languages - a series of interactive sessions designed to raise awareness of language learning and support informed subject choice. For further details and to express your interest [click here>>](#)

European Centre for Modern Languages



Learn about 'A toolkit for implementing integrated didactics in language education', and discover more about how European collaboration is supporting innovative language teaching in Ireland, as a result of PPLI's participation in the ECML project. [Read more>>](#)

An Intercultural Look at our Schools



Find transition resources developed by PPLI to support students with English as an Additional Language (EAL), their families and schools during school transfers. The resources promote inclusion, wellbeing and successful transitions by strengthening home-school communication and valuing students' linguistic and cultural backgrounds. [Read more>>](#)

#ThinkLanguages Spotlight on Schools



In this edition of Spotlight on Schools, Our Lady's Bower, Athlone explores how #ThinkLanguages has evolved into a much-anticipated TY tradition. Discover how the school has built and refined its event over the years, creating engaging experiences that continue to inspire students to value languages and cultures. [Read more>>](#)

Fóram Feasa Beo 2026



A mhúinteoirí teanga iasachta in iar-bhunscoileanna T1, bígí lenár gcairde COGG ag Fóram Feasa Beo 2026, Dé Sathairn, an 19ú Meán Fómhair, i gColáiste Cois Life, BÁC. Faighigí léargas nua ar úsáid na hintleachta saorga don teagasc, bainigí tairbhe as ceardlanna praiticiúla, acmhainní úra agus deis líonraithe. [Cláraigí anseo>>](#)

Upcoming



- [Communities of Practice](#)
15 September - 11 November 2026
- [Leaving Certificate Ukrainian Information Session](#)
7 October 2026
- [Leaving Certificate Russian Exam Preparation Session](#)
4 November 2026
- [#ThinkLanguages Week 2026](#)
16-20 November 2026

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