

**EUROPEAN
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SCHOOLS
PROGRAMME**



EPAS

- The European Parliament Ambassador School Programme (EPAS) aims at increasing students' awareness of European democracy, the role of the European Parliament and European values.
- It encourages active engagement with MEPs and the European Parliament.
- It targets students with diverse educational, social and geographical backgrounds.
- Our school's programme encourages students to be active citizens within the school community and wider world.



Our EPAS Activities

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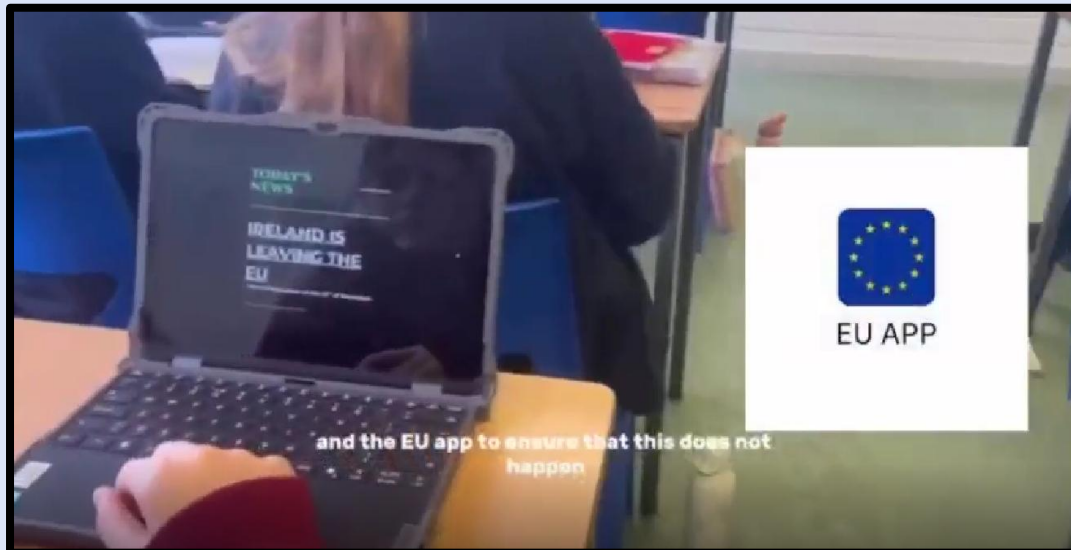


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