



What is School Self Evaluation? We are constantly looking at what we are doing in the school and trying to come up with ways to do things better- this process is called School Self Evaluation (SSE).

## HOW TO HELP?

We want parents, teachers and students to help with the process of improving the school, so please fill in our surveys; volunteer to join our focus groups; join the Student Council, the Parents Association, the Teaching & Learning Committee; or just drop an idea in the school's suggestion box.

## WHAT WE KNOW ALREADY?

Our analysis of the school in recent years has revealed some real positives;

- Students' achievement in assessments is very good
- Teachers demonstrate competence and proficiency
- Students demonstrate very high levels of interest and participation in learning
- Students' experiences as learners reflect consistently well on how the code of behaviour is understood and implemented
- Teachers have high expectations of students' work and behaviour.

## HOW WE KNOW?

We gather data from all sorts of places;

- Subject faculties submit an analysis of performance in state exams
- Each faculty produces a written record (minutes) as do various committees
- Parents are surveyed after parent teacher meetings
- Focus groups are conducted with students and parents
- Teachers give feedback in staff surveys
- The Inspectorate reports on school visits
- There are one-to-one meetings with first year and sixth year students
- The Student Council gives regular feedback.

## HOW CAN WE IMPROVE?

We have a good school but we want to keep improving. So, we try to get just a little better every year. This term we are trying to focus on student wellbeing and we have a plan! We have agreed a range of actions including;

- New monthly wellbeing awards
- Monthly Wellbeing Weeks to raise awareness of how to 'be well'!
- Reduced homework during Wellbeing Weeks
- A one way system to reduce congestion
- Each subject department to have a specific plan for more responsive teaching.

## More info

This page is really just a summary of a larger report on SSE & for more information on that contact [office@olss.ie](mailto:office@olss.ie)