

READING COMPREHENSION: MY SCHOOL, by Erin

I study at the International School of Dublin. It is a big school. It is a little bit far from my house, so I go by bus.

You can study there from 3 to 18 years old. I am 10 years old now and I am in year 5.

My school is a little bit different from other schools in Ireland because it is an International School.

There are three main buildings apart from the **gym**. I am at the Primary building. It has got two floors and my **classroom** is on the second floor. There is a big **library** in our building. It is for all the classes, Infants, Primary and Secondary students. There is also a **makerspace** with computers, tablets, Art material, building blocks, some robots and special devices to learn, build things, create and work with technology. My favourite place at school is the **theatre**, where we practise Drama. It is also the place where we perform for our families. The **canteen** is outside my building, it is in the Secondary building. It is big but cozy. There is also a big **gymnasium** next to our building. We have got PE lessons in there when the weather is not nice. There is a huge climbing wall in the gym, we love going there! There are many **playgrounds**, at least four. There are two playgrounds to play sports or ball games: basketball, volleyball, football... and the other two are garden areas with trees, picnic tables and benches, swings, slides, ... I know there is also a park and an exploring area for the younger children and there is also a vegetable garden.



We start school at nine o'clock and we finish at twenty past three.

We start the day with some **writing** on Tuesdays and Thursdays,
we have got a **class meeting** on Wednesdays and Fridays and we
have got school **assembly** on Mondays.

We wear a uniform and we study in English, which is different from most schools in Ireland, where they study in Irish. We also learn *French* and *Spanish*. My favourite subjects are *Drama* and

Science. I love doing experiments and we do <u>tons</u> of them at the school lab.

We have got different celebrations at my school . My favourite ones are "NO homework day", a day in which teachers cannot send us homework; and "International Children's Book Day", on 2nd April. On International Children's book day we can go to school dressed as a book character we like and we have a parade. It is awesome to see everybody dressed as our favourite book characters. Even our teachers wear costumes. Last year our teacher was dressed as Matilda, her favourite children's book.

