

**Cyprus EU Presidency
Observation of lesson on Water Resilience
School Year 2025 – 2026
PAGKYPRION GYMNASIUM
Hosting Delegates in the Context of the Directors-General for Schools Meeting**

The Pancyprian Gymnasium had the distinct honour of hosting delegates as part of the Directors-General for Schools meeting, which was held on the occasion of the Cypriot Presidency of the Council of the European Union. The delegates received a warm welcome from students of our school, followed by a brief welcoming address by the Headmistress, Mrs Maria Morfi. This was followed by a presentation of the All-Day School programme, “*STEAM – Greek Language and Culture*,” by Mr Giannis Lazarou, with emphasis on students’ key competences and the professional development of teachers. A fruitful discussion then took place between the delegates and students of the All-Day School regarding their experience of interdisciplinary learning.

An important part of the programme was the observation of lessons conducted in small groups, giving the delegates the opportunity to gain first-hand insight into the learning process and the pedagogical climate of our school. The school’s English Department participated in this activity through a lesson entitled “*Cyprus EU Presidency: Water Resilience – A Priority*.” During the lesson, students discussed issues relating to the water crisis and the role of the European Union, culminating in a role-play activity based on the scenario of Cyprus facing a severe drought. A role-played public meeting was then held in which various stakeholders/students — a government minister, a farmer, an environmental activist, and a hotel owner — debated and proposed new water policies.

The visit constituted a special honour and recognition of the work carried out at the Pancyprian Gymnasium and further strengthened the European orientation of our school community.

