



GEAR (Global and Environmental Awareness and Responsibility)



WE HAVE SIGNED UP FOR EUSKARALDIA!

Euskaraldia is a project in which people in all 7 provinces in the Basque Country are encouraged to speak more Euskara, the Basque language, over an 11-day period.

Thousands of participants have signed up on their website. People either commit to being an Euskara speaker, **Ahobizi**, or an Euskara listener, **Belariprest**, during these 11 days.

Ahobizi commit to starting all of their conversations and social interactions in Euskara. They can of course switch to another language if the person they are speaking to doesn't understand Euskara, but just starting a conversation in Euskara sets the tone.

Bellariprest during these 11 days are asking Euskara speakers to speak to them in Euskara. This way, they can better practice their comprehension and support the use of Euskara in everyday life.





People of all abilities in Euskara from very beginners in learning the language to native speakers are able to participate. The only requirement is that participants be over 16-years-old and speak and/or understand Euskara.

Participants have pins to wear during these 11 days to clearly identify their involvement in

Euskaraldia.



This is my pin

The goal of Euskaraldia is to change the tendency to prioritize French or Spanish in social and professional life in the Basque Country, to rather use Euskara as much as possible.

This is important because a 2016 study found that only 25% of Euskara speakers in the Basque Country use the language regularly. Nearly 70% of Euskara speakers stated that they use another language always or almost always.

The hope is that in participating in Euskaraldia, people will see that Euskara is relevant in more situations than they may have realized. Perhaps people understand Euskara far more than people are aware of.

Euskaraldia encourages people to use more Euskara, more often, with more people.

We are working hard in the Basque Country to preserve our language and make sure it thrives for generations to come.

A song sang by the students https://www.facebook.com/goizekoizarraikastola/videos/394631988531033

OUR SCHOOL COMMITS TO EUSKARALDIA!

