



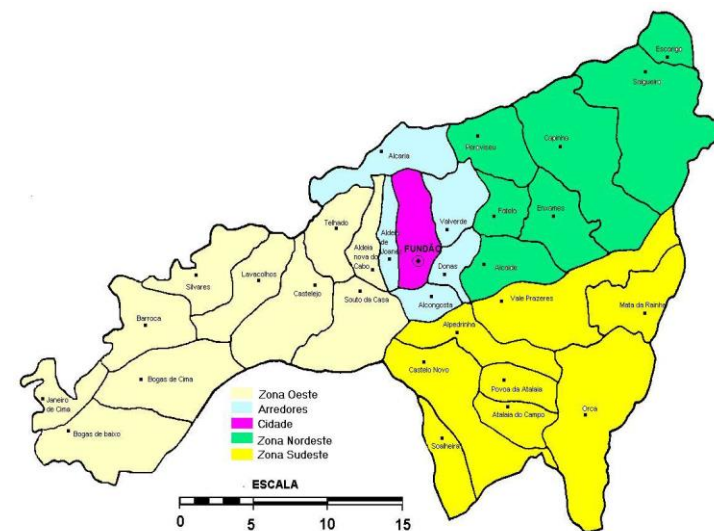
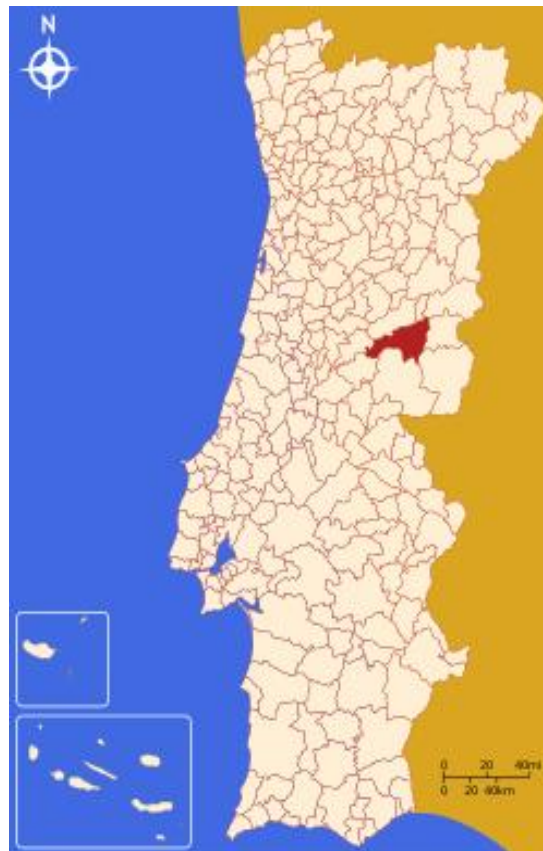
Agrupamento de Escolas do Fundão





Fundão

PORTUGAL



Map of the county

700,2 km²

29.000 inhabitants

Fundão



History

- 1000 b.C. - First inhabitants – A brave people called **Lusitanos** lived in Castros (round stone houses) in Serra da Gardunha .
- In 1307 - The name Fundão appears for the first time in official documents. It includes 32 houses .
- After 1492 many Jewish refugees arrived from Spain escaping Catholic persecution. They settled around Rua da Cale. They started businesses and opened shops. Fundão became an important centre for commerce and industry.
- In the 18th Century a big textile factory (Real Fábrica de Lanífcios) was built in Fundão (City Hall building). Wollen cloth produced in Fundão is exported throughout the world.
- In 1988 Fundão became a town.

Fundão is located in the Cova da Beira **plateau** at 500 metres altitude, between two mountains: Estrela and Gardunha.

Geography



View from Gardunha

A fertile region with plenty of water from river Zêzere and several streams .



Mineral water from the region is one of the most sold in Portugal.



Economy

The main productions in the region are:

- Cherries



- Peaches



- Wine



- Olive oil



- Cheese



- Around Fundão there are **mines** of wolfram, lead and tin.
- There are various **industries** and trades such as processing of wood, granite, and glass.
- Lately there has been a special investment in the polishing of jewelry, clothing industry and computer services.

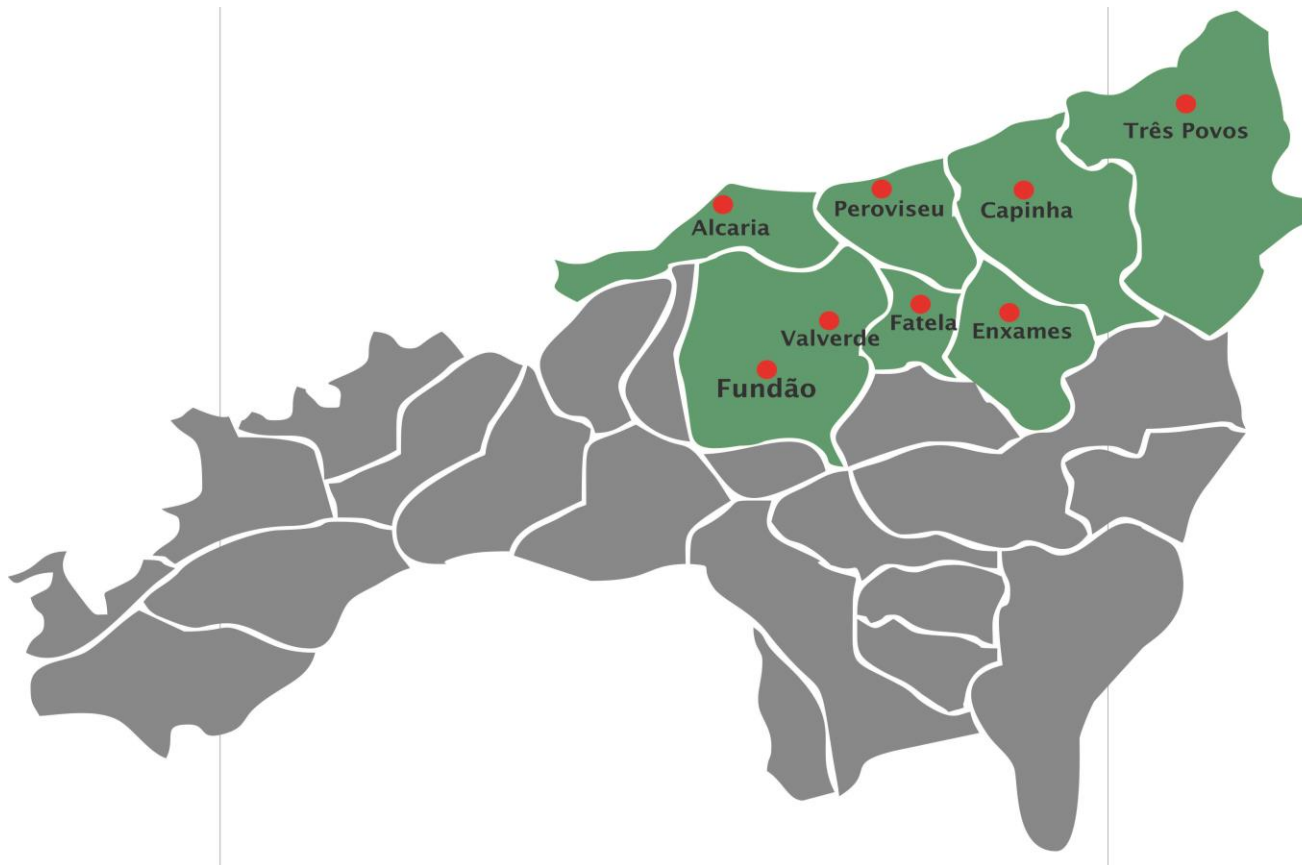
Agrupamento de Escolas do Fundão



Since 2012 , the old secondary school integrated a group of several other schools, forming the Agrupamento de Escolas do Fundão (Cluster of Schools).

School level	Age	Number of Students	Buildings
Preschool/kindergarden	3-6	25	4
Primary school	6 -10	286	9
Second cycle	11 -12	235	1
Third cycle	13 -15	324	2
Secondary	16 -18	355	1
Vocational courses	14 - 18	279	1

Agrupamento de Escolas do Fundão



The school buildings are spread in seven villages on the northern part of the county. There are 3 buildings in the town which accomodate the majority of the students.

Agrupamento de Escolas do Fundão



The school in numbers:

Students – 1525

Teachers – 175

School helpers – 45

Administrative staff – 15

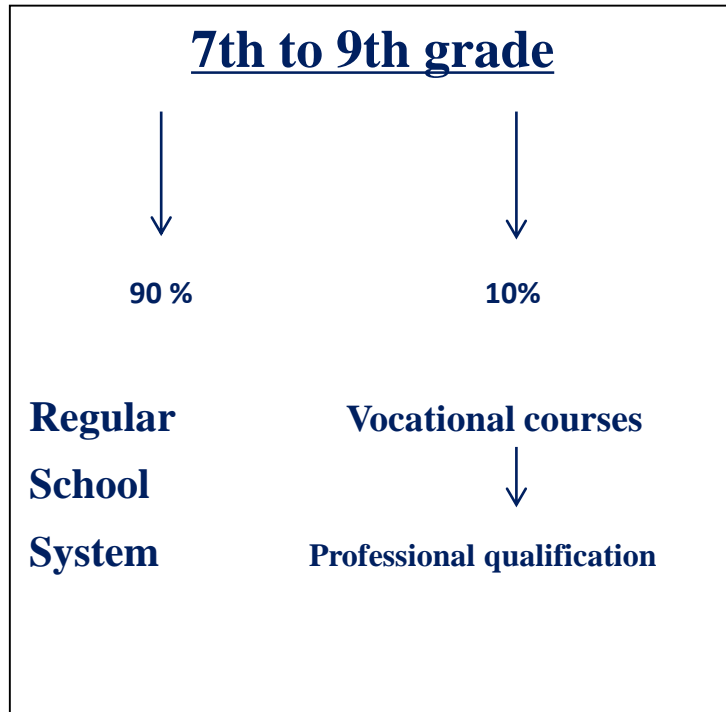
Psychologists – 2

Speech Therapist - 1



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EDUCATIONAL OFFER

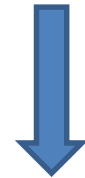


10th to 12th grade

Vocational courses (40%)

Regular School System (60%)

- Languages and humanities
- Technology and science
- Art
- Economy



- Laboratory technician
- Electronics, automation and computers
- Wind turbine system operator
- Management
- Tourism
- Social work
- Healthcare Assistant
- Computer Programming
- Web Design

PROJECTS

These are some of the projects the school holds:



NAME OF EACH PROJECT	AIMS
School self-assessment	Evaluating procedures within the school
Comenius	Multilateral Projects with European schools
School Sports Club	Sports activities for students
School Radio Days	Weekly programme on the local radio station
Eco-Schools	Promoting green practices
Education for Entrepreneurship	Encouraging students to get entrepreneurial skills
Escola Eletrão	Collecting unwanted home appliances
School Folk Song Group	Spreading popular songs
Science at school	Engaging in several science projects
Reading Briefcases	Promoting reading skills
Recycling club	Collecting yellow container items
European Youth Parliament	Increasing young people's awareness of European issues
SafeNet	Promoting safe internet use
Be Solidary	Collecting and donating unwanted pieces of clothing and food
Volunteering Project in the Local Hospital	Paying weekly visits to patients
Smart Eye (<i>Olho vivo</i>)	School newspaper

THE LIBRARY

- The school's library hosts activities to promote reading habits
- Offers daily support to students with a team of teachers
- Provides support for research work
- Regularly holds talks and activities about different subjects



STUDENT SUPPORT

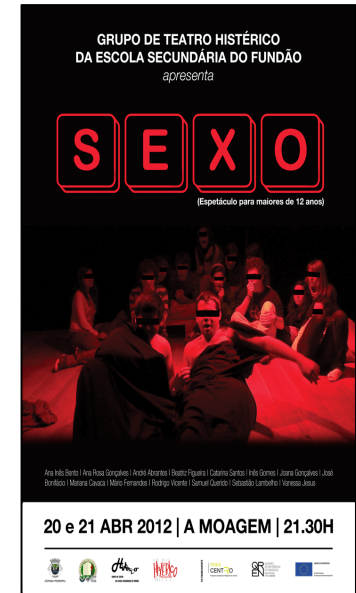


- School and professional guidance by the school psychologists
- Students with special needs (8 teachers and a multidisability unit)
- Conflict management and promotion of success
- Health education
- Financial support

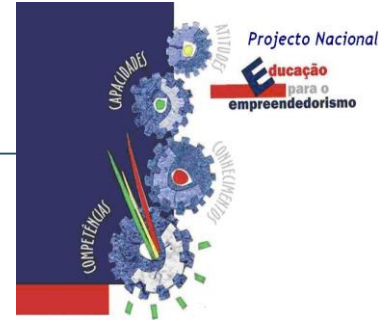
DRAMA CLUB

(Histórico)

- Every year a new production.
- The result of a year's work.



EDUCATION FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP



Since 2006 about 100 projects were developed in the school

- 300 students were involved
- 100 partnerships were established
- Participation in several meetings and seminars

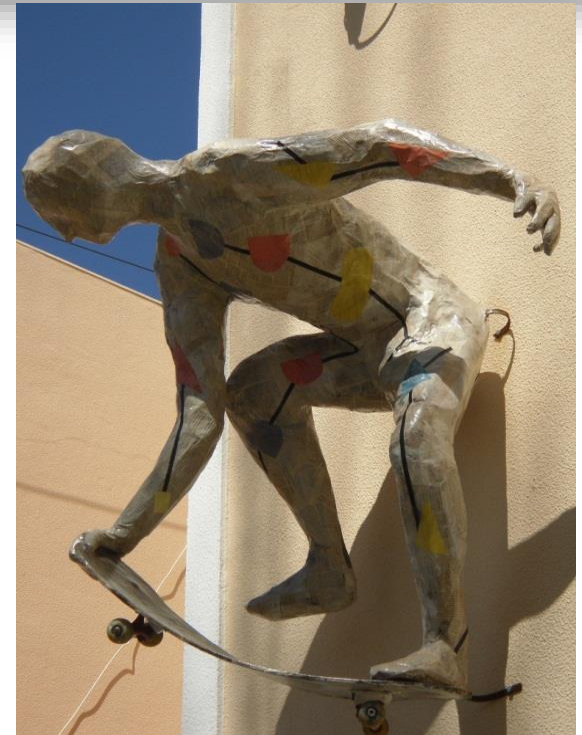


**Our school was awarded
the National Prize for
Entrepreneurship in 2014**

INOVA

ART

The Art Department regularly promotes events in and outside the school that boost students' creativity.



SPORT

The school offers several sports activities every Wednesday afternoon

- Athletics
- Dance
- Gymnastics
- Futsal
- Cross country
- Badminton
- Other open air activities



- Our school will be 50 years old this year and on 21st November 2014 we were informed it will be awarded **a golden medal** for merit by the Town Hall.
- Half a century of successful training for thousands of students!