

# THE B.S.P VOICE



February 2023



## COMING UP!

St. Patricks day is coming up on March 17th, and the school is ready to celebrate. Do you know the legend of St. Patrick? What are you doing for St. Patricks day? Get ready to wear green!



HINT, HINT  
THINK OF  
YOUR BEST  
TALENTS,  
START  
PRACTICING!



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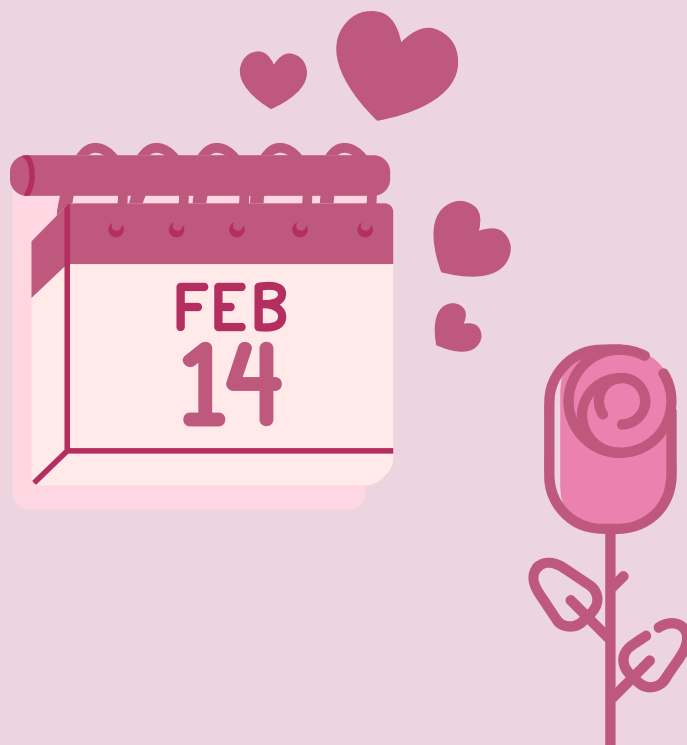
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## Valentines day

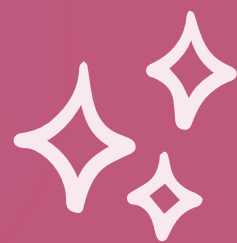
Valentines day originated as a Christian feast, and a day of honouring a martyr named Valentine.

Through later folk traditions, it has become a significant cultural and commercial celebration, of love, and romance. In many regions of the world. Most people give chocolates and valentine cards.





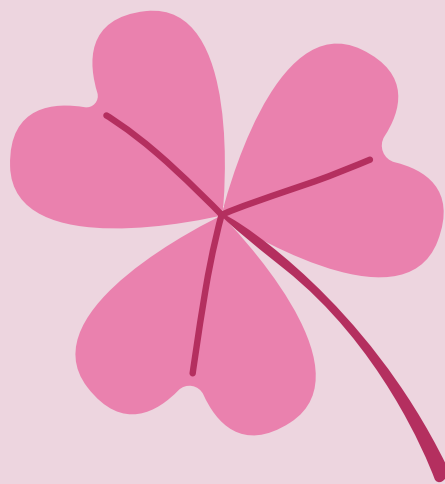
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## St. Brigids day

Imbolc also known as St.Brigid's Day, is a traditional festival. It marks the beginning of Spring. Imbolc is the feast of St.Brigid, Ireland's patroness Saint. On the eve of Imbolc February 5th, People make St.brigids day crosses, people also make dolls made of grass and hay. Saint Brigid then comes and blesses all of the items people have left out for her to bring good luck.





# **SINEAD'S INTERVIEW**



**Each month we will interview a staff member to help us learn more about the school. This month, we spoke to Sinead.**



## **1.How did you feel about being selected for vice principal.**

**I was really proud of being selected for vice principal. I worked with Alice Lawless, Clare Sheridan, Suzanne Godfrey and Lesley Sheridan who were all Deputy Principals in BSP before me. I learned lots from them as they are all excellent teachers and leaders in the Bray School Project community.**

## **2.When did you want to be a teacher?**

**I always wanted to be a teacher for as long as I can remember. My mum was a primary school teacher and I used to love going into her class as a young child.**





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### **3. Where was the first school you ever taught in.**

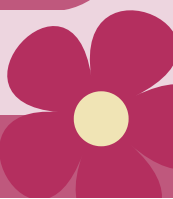
**Bray School Project was the very first school I taught in. I did my first teaching practice in college here, and I loved it. The staff were so welcoming and helpful and the children were so enthusiastic. I still have a thank you card from a parent from that very first teaching practice. I knew from then it was where I wanted to work.**

### **4. what more responsibility do you have being vice principal.**

**I think the biggest responsibility I have now is on days Alan is absent I have been trusted by the BOM to deputize for him.**

### **5. do you prefer teaching in the junior or senior end of the school and why.**

**Both are very interesting but very different. I loved teaching junior infants as its such an exciting age and it is great fun. But equally I have worked with 5th and 6th class for many years in my role as SET and I have enjoyed watching children grow and mature and help to prepare them for their next stage in secondary school.**



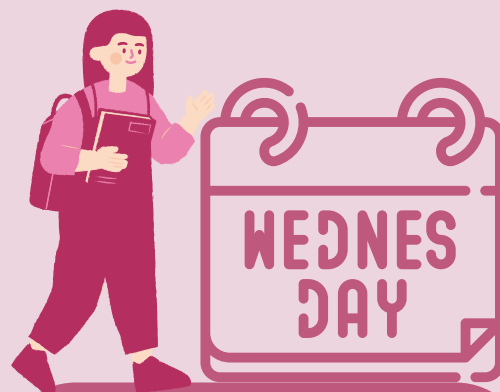


# GREEN SCHOOL COMMITTEE

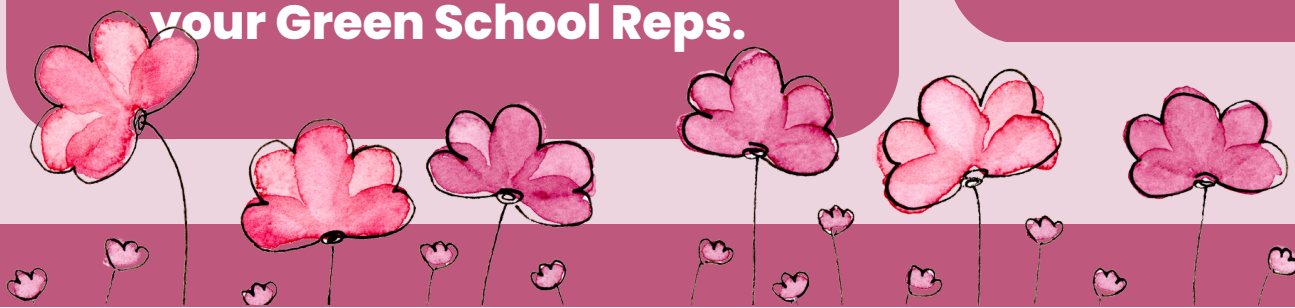


The Green School Committee & Green School Trophy

**This month we started our Walk on Wednesday initiative, to encourage us to use greener modes of transport. The winners so far were 1st Class, 5th Class and 6th Class. In the next couple of weeks we hope to have Steven Matthews, Green Party TD to our school to meet with the Green School Committee. If any students would like to ask the Stephen any questions please get in touch with your Green School Reps.**



Steven Matthews



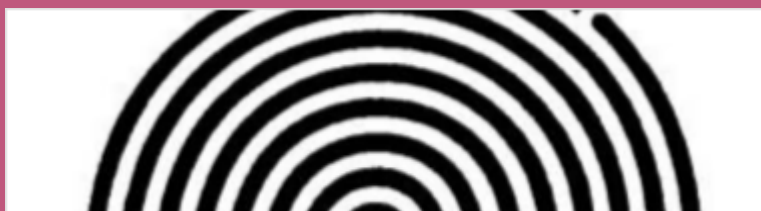


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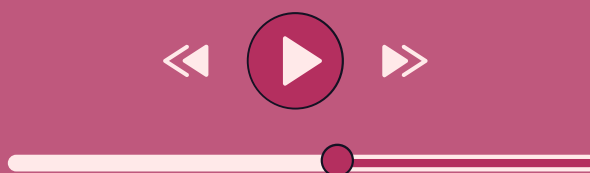
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## Link to the podcast



<https://spotifyanchor-web.app.link/e/cXoocJN1Wxb>





# A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



We've had a fantastic month here in Bray School Project National School. We have started doing weekly assemblies for the first time since before Covid and it has been lovely for the classes to come together and share what we have been doing. We've also had some lovely performances and Aisling and Oisín from 3rd and 4th class have begun to teach us some Lámh sign language.

5th and 6th Classes began their "Bray" inquiry-led project, dividing into groups and researching and visiting different parts of Bray. I was lucky enough to present some of what we have done so far at a Primary Geography Conference in Charney, UK, where the other attendees were very interested and look forward to hearing where this project goes. You will see some of the photos from our site visits so far on the next page.

It was also a great pleasure to visit the RDS Science Blast last Wednesday, 1st March with 4th Class who were investigating what exactly is a Black Hole. This was a fascinating Scientific study earning an award for the school and we look forward to sharing this with other classes and parents in the near future -watch this "space"!

We also recently celebrated World Book Day - make sure to use your tokens. Tá Seachtain na Gaeilge ag teacht freisin, táimid ag tnúth leis an spraoi!

**Alan Bedford**

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# Initial Site Visits – 5th & 6th Class

