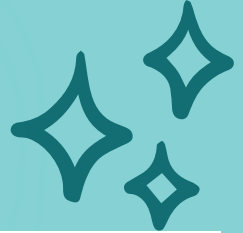




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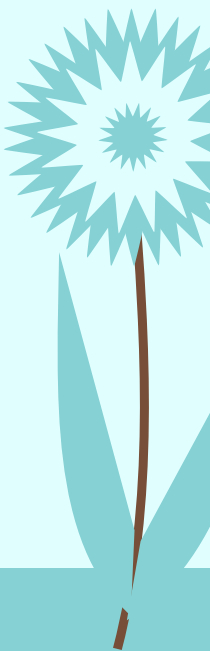
Student council newsletter
January 2023



We are your Student Council: Seth , Aoife, Sadhbh, Finn, Lola, Adam, Aaron, and Freddie.

Who are we?

We are the student council, we are here to help you and discover new things for our school. We are starting a newsletter and a podcast. The podcast is about our school and what we are planning on doing. We are here to listen to your ideas and what you think will make our school a better place. So if you have any concerns or questions you can talk to anyone of our members of the council.

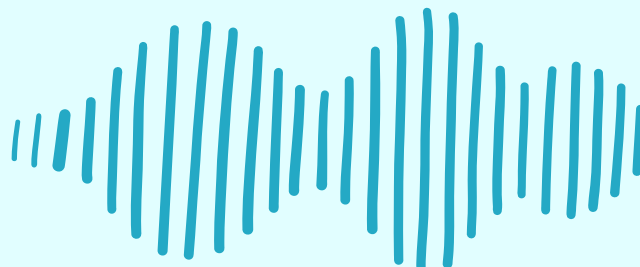


PODCAST



Click here to hear the first episode of our BSP Voice Podcast!

**[https://spotifyanchor-
web.app.link/e/bOQvqetX0wb](https://spotifyanchor-web.app.link/e/bOQvqetX0wb)**





CAROL'S RETIREMENT

As we all know our beloved principal Carol has retired. Carol was in Bray School Project for a long time. For her retirement the whole school made her a quilt that she now wears as a Cape of love and they're so grateful that she was able to be principal of our school. Everybody did an amazing job of making Carol feel so special when she retired. Carol, we miss you and can't wait until you come back to visit!





CHINESE NEW YEAR

We celebrated Chinese New Year recently DO YOU KNOW WHAT IT'S THE YEAR OF? It's the year of the Rabbit! What Lunar animal are you? The Chinese New Year started on the 22/1/23 and 6th Class led the dragon this year with 5th Class doing the drums.



As you may already know, before the holidays, the Student Council had decided to get into the holiday spirit and organised a Festive Jumper fundraiser. The whole entire school managed to raise €875 for Purple House, good job everyone!





STAFF INTERVIEW

Each month we will interview a staff member to help us learn more about the school. First up was Eduardo.

We asked Eduardo why he teaches the way he does.

"I teach the way I do because I believe that children are central to their learning . I think the buddy system is really important for the little ones and my class and learning how to be mature and take care for younger children for 5th & 6th classes and to expand this by helping them with lessons and trips"

I believe children have their own freedom and should not be controlled by my agenda."

From a young age I didn't like my opinion given to me and I saw individuality in kids so I wanted to be that teacher who allows kids their opinion and giving kids their own pace to learn at"



A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



It has been a real pleasure to get started in **Bray School Project National School**. I am still getting to know everyone and look forward to continuing to get to know everyone involved with BSP. My own special interest area is Inquiry-based Learning and I look forward to working with 5th and 6th Class on an inquiry-led project all about **Bray**, and our own particular interest areas, over the next few weeks. I'm also looking forward to working with all of the other classes over the next few months. We're also looking forward to continuing to hear from **Carol (and Knuffle Bunny)** as they continue on their American adventure. As I write this, Carol is somewhere in the dusty desert of southern California! We recently welcomed Department Inspectors to check in and offer support on how we teach **Maths**. We received plenty of positive feedback, but most of all, they complimented us as being a school which is so **positive and welcoming** from the moment they came in through the gates. This is something I would like to reflect, as I have felt part of the "BSP family" since day 1. A big thank you to the **Student Council** and **Green School Committee** for all of their engagement, positivity and "can-do" attitude, and for putting this newsletter and podcast together.

Tá mé ag súil go mór leis na míonna amach romhainn!

Alan Bedford

A handwritten signature of Alan Bedford in cursive script.

GREEN SCHOOL COMMITTEE



We are your green school committee:
Maria, Phong, Hiddie, Kate, Niamh, Laoise, Amelia, Charlie.

The Green School is working towards making the school more **environmentally friendly and biodiverse** to make the school a better place and stop climate change.

The Green School have been working towards a lot of new projects and ideas, First of all we were thinking about bringing back **Walk on Wednesday** and designing a new eco-friendly golden boot.

Another idea we had was to get a **notice board** to notify the students and staff about what we are doing and taking part in.

Our last idea was a **suggestion box**, it will be in the hall, the suggestion box will be there so you can give your input and ideas to us on a piece of paper so we can bring it to our meetings.



**THANK YOU FOR READING
OUR FIRST NEWSLETTER**

We have many more to come!