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## FR. SEAN MCDONAGH

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### FACTS....

Where is he from....

What is his field of study...

How has his life experience influenced his work...

Why is his work of importance...

FR MCDONAGH RECENTLY WORKED ON CREATING THE ALL IRELAND POLLINATOR PLAN, WHY IS BIODIVERSITY IMPORTANT?

### GRÁINNE MCKEEVER

IN DISCUSSION WITH

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ST. COLUMBAN'S CAVAN

The Paris Agreement (French: Paris Accord) is an agreement within the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, signed in 2016 and starting in 2020. There are 195 signatories, including Ireland.

What are it's aims, how are signatories hoping to achieve them and why did Donald Trump withdraw American participation in 2017?



List three ways you could create a more environmentally sound school

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Prof. John Sweeney NUI Geography

Climatologist John Sweeney notes that Ireland currently creates as much greenhouse emissions as the poorest 400 million people on earth. He calls for the government to adopt renewable energy, give some examples of these below...

In 2002 Ireland became the first country to impose a plastic bag levy. It led to a 90% drop in use of plastic bags, and it generated €9.6 million for a green fund supporting environmental projects. Can you think of any other taxes we could impose to help the environment?

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## BASIC INCOME

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Basic Income is a system of unconditional income for every citizen. It has been proposed by some as a solution to the rising disparity between rich and poor. It has been championed by Richard Branson, Mark Zuckerberg and Elon Musk, but others think it is irresponsible. It was piloted in Finland in 2017.... As a group, or in pairs, debate the pros and cons of Basic Income.

Further investigation: What happened in relation to Public Private Partnership and the case of St. Michaels House estate in Inchicore. Are there any lessons to be learned from this example, if so what are your thoughts regarding this...