



## Child Safeguarding Risk Assessment (of any potential harm)

List of School Activities	Risk Level	The School has identified the following Risk of Harm	The School has the following Procedures in place to address risk identified in this assessment
Training of school personnel in Child Protection matters	low	Harm not recognised or reported promptly	<p>Child Safeguarding Statement &amp; DES procedures made available to all staff</p> <p>DLP&amp; DDLP to attend PDST face to face training All Staff to view Túsla training module &amp; any other online training offered by PDST</p> <p>Staff trained in delivery of Revised Stay Safe and RSE Programmes Staff encouraged to avail of relevant training BOM encouraged to avail of all relevant training BOM records all records of staff and board training</p>
One to one teaching	Med	Harm by school personnel	<p>School has policy in place for one to one teaching Open doors Boundaries are in place regarding physical environment (vision panel on classroom door/door left open), seating arrangement and proper timetabling. If a child needs one to one teaching, parents will be advised accordingly</p>
Care of Children with special needs, including intimate care needs	High	Harm by school personnel	<p>Policy on intimate care Special Education Policy</p>
Toilet areas	Med	Inappropriate behaviour	Usage and supervision policy



			Children will not be permitted to re-enter the school during break times to go to the toilet without permission from 'Teacher on duty'. Not more than two pupils in classroom toilets at any one time (one pupil per cubicle) Toileting 'incident' – See Intimate Care Policy
Curricular Provision in respect of SPHE, RSE, Stay safe.	low	Non-teaching of same	School implements SPHE, RSE, Stay Safe in full
Care of pupils with specific vulnerabilities/needs such as Pupils from ethnic minorities/migrants Members of the Traveller community Lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender (LGBT) children Pupils perceived to be LGBT by their peers Pupils of minority religious faiths Children in care	Med	Bullying	Anti-Bullying Policy Code of Behaviour Revised Stay Safe/RSE
Daily arrival and dismissal of pupils	Med	Harm from older pupils, unknown adults on the playground	Arrival and dismissal supervised by Teachers Supervision in place in the morning from 9.10 to 9.20 and in evenings from 3 – 3.10 and parents are notified regularly about these times.
Managing of challenging behaviour amongst pupils, including appropriate use of restraint	Med	Injury to pupils and staff	Health & Safety Policy Code Of Behaviour Anti- Bullying Policy The following principles will be employed by staff if restraint is necessary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• best interests of the child</li> <li>• maximum care, minimum force</li> <li>• reasonable, proportionate and necessary</li> </ul>



			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• for reasons of safety (if the pupil is in danger of harm or of harming others)</li> <li>• part of an agreed plan with parents and the pupil where appropriate</li> <li>• reviewed regularly with a view to reducing the need for the intervention</li> <li>• Parents/guardians informed of any incident</li> <li>• Record kept of any incident</li> </ul>
Sports Coaches	Low	Risk of Harm to pupils	Policy & Procedures in place -Garda Vetting Class Teacher is with class at all times
Students participating in work experience	Low	Risk Harm by student	Work experience Policy Child Safeguarding Statement. Students must be Garda Vetted
Recreation breaks for pupils	High	Bullying / harm to pupils	Supervision Policy and Procedures
Classroom teaching	low	Risk of pupil being harmed by a member of school personnel/by another child	Classroom Rules Code of Behaviour Child Safeguarding Statement Garda Vetting Substitute teachers vetted/statutory declaration required Classroom supervised at all times
Outdoor teaching activities	Low	Risk of harm to pupils	Trip, Activity discussed with class prior to going out. A minimum of two adults with group if leaving school grounds. Code of Behaviour and Supervision Policy
Sporting Activities	low	Risk of harm to pupils	Minimum of two adults with class group. Supervision Policy and Code of Behaviour



School outings	Med	Risk of harm to pupils	School Policy and Procedures on Tours and Outings Code of Behaviour Adequate Supervision Stay Safe Programme
Annual Sports Day	Med	Risk of harm to pupils / Possibility of Bullying	Children Supervised at all times, Timetable of events discussed with children prior to going out, Supervision \policy and Code of Behaviour
Fundraising events involving pupils	low	Risk of harm to pupils	Teachers involved with groups, activities take place on school premises and rules and procedures discussed with group involved
Use of off-site facilities for school activities	med	Risk of pupil being harmed by a member of school personnel, a member of staff of another organisation or other person while pupil is participating in out of school activities e.g. Communion and Confirmation ceremonies, Quizzes, drama	Code of Discipline, Supervision Policy Stay Safe Programme Adequate Supervision
School transport arrangements including use of bus escorts	med	Bullying	Policy on tours and outings Health and safety Policy Anti – Bullying Policy Stay Safe Programme Adequate supervision
Administration of Medicine Administration of First Aid	low	Risk of harm to pupil	Administration of Medicine Policy
Prevention and dealing with bullying amongst pupils	med	Risk of harm to pupil	Anti-Bullying Policy Revised Stay Safe/Webwise/My Selfie Friends for Life SPHE Whole School Plan



			Mobile Phone Policy Acceptable Use Policy (AUP)
Recruitment of school personnel including - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Teachers</li> <li>SNA's</li> <li>Caretaker/Secretary/Cleaners</li> <li>Sports coaches</li> <li>External Tutors/Guest Speakers</li> <li>Volunteers/Parents in school activities</li> <li>Visitors/contractors present in school during school hours</li> <li>Visitors/contractors present during after school activities</li> </ul>	Med	Harm not recognised or properly or promptly reported	Child Safeguarding Statement & DES procedures made available to all staff  Staff to view Tusla training module & any other online training offered by PDST Garda Vetting Vetting Procedures  Policy of Parents / Volunteers  Policy on Visiting Contractors
Use of Information and Communication Technology by pupils in school	Med	Bullying / Exposure to inappropriate material online	ICT policy Anti-Bullying Policy Code of Behaviour AUP Adequate Supervision
Application of sanctions under the school's Code of Behaviour including detention of pupils, confiscation of phones etc.	Low	Risk of Harm to Pupils	Code of Behaviour Mobile Phone Policy Adequate supervision in place
Use of video/photography/other media to record school events	Med	Risk of harm to pupils caused by member of staff/parent circulating images	Parental Consent Parents are requested not to post pictures , videos of school events on Social Media

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**Important Note:** It should be noted that risk in the context of this risk assessment is the risk of “harm” as defined in the Children First Act 2015 and not general health and safety risk. The definition of harm is set out in Chapter 4 of the *Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post- Primary Schools 2017*

In undertaking this risk assessment, the board of management has endeavoured to identify as far as possible the risks of harm that are relevant to this school and to ensure that adequate procedures are in place to manage all risks identified. While it is not possible to foresee and remove all risk of harm, the school has in place the procedures listed in this risk assessment to manage and reduce risk to the greatest possible extent.

This risk assessment has been completed by the Board of Management on \_\_\_\_\_. It will be reviewed as part of the school’s annual review of its Child Safeguarding Statement.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Chairperson, Board of Management

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Principal/Secretary to the Board of Management