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Child Safeguarding Risk Assessment 2020

List of School Activities	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	Harm not recognised or reported promptly	Child Safeguarding Statement & DES procedures made available to all staff DLP & DDLP to attend PDST face to face training. All Staff to view PDST training module & any other online training offered by PDST Principal records all staff and BOM training
One to one teaching	Harm by school personnel	Supervision Policy
Intimate care needs for all pupils	Harm by school personnel	School requires policy on Intimate care needs
Toilet areas	Inappropriate behaviour	School requires a policy on supervision
Curricular Provision in respect of SPHE, RSE, Stay safe.	Non-teaching of same	School implements SPHE, RSE, Stay Safe in full Team Teaching in place if requested
LGBT Children/Pupils perceived to be LGBT	Bullying	Anti-Bullying Policy Code of Behaviour SPHE Policy
Daily arrival and dismissal of pupils	Harm from older pupils, unknown adults on the playground	Supervision Policy
Managing of challenging behaviour amongst pupils, including appropriate use of restraint	Injury to pupils and staff	Policy on Physical Intervention Health & Safety Policy Code Of Behaviour
Sports Coaches	Harm to pupils	Supervision Policy
Students participating in work experience	Harm by student	Work experience Policy Child Safeguarding Statement.

Yard time (including wet Yard)	Harm from unknown visitors, pupils, staff	Supervision Policy
Classroom teaching	Harm by pupils & staff	Teaching Council Code of Professional Conduct Code of Behaviour
Outdoor teaching	Harm by pupils and staff	Teaching Council Code of Professional Conduct Code of Behaviour
Sporting Activities	Harm from unknown adults Harm by staff	Supervision Policy
Homework club	Harm by staff	Teaching Council Code of Professional Conduct
Breakfast club	Harm by staff	Garda Vetting for staff
School outings	Harm by unknown adults	Supervision Policy Permission Slips for trips/Permission Slips VIA Aladdin
School trips involving overnight stay	Harm by unknown adults, staff & pupils	Supervision Policy Permission Slips for trips/Permission Slips VIA Aladdin
Annual Sports Day	Harm by unknown adults & pupils	Supervision Policy
Fundraising events involving pupils	Harm by unknown adults	Consent forms
Swimming	Harm by pupils, staff & unknown adults	Supervision Policy Swimming permission note
School transport arrangements	Harm from other unknown adults & staff	No parents/staff to transport in own car Supervision Policy
Administration of Medicine & First Aid	Harm by staff	Accident and Injury Policy
Prevention and dealing with bullying amongst pupils	Harm by pupils	Code of Behaviour Anti-Bullying Policy
Use of external personnel to supplement curriculum	Harm by unknown adults	Supervision Policy Garda Vetting Teacher to stay with the class at all times
Care of pupils with specific vulnerabilities/ needs such as <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Pupils from ethnic minorities/migrants ● Members of the Traveller community ● Lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender (LGBT) children 	Bullying	Anti-Bullying Policy Code of Behaviour

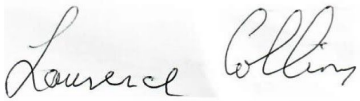
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pupils perceived to be LGBT • Pupils of minority religious faiths • Children in care • Children on CPNS 		
Recruitment of school personnel including - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teachers • SNA's • Caretaker/Secretary/Cleaners • Sports coaches • External Tutors/Guest Speakers • Volunteers/Parents in school activities • Visitors/contractors present in school during school hours • Visitors/contractors present during after school activities 	Harm not recognised or properly or promptly reported	Child Safeguarding Statement & DES procedures made available to all staff Staff to view PDST training module & any other online training offered by PDST Vetting Procedures Work Experience and Teaching Practice Policy
Use of school premises by other organisation during school day	Harm by unknown adults	Vetting Procedures Child Safeguarding Statement
Use of Information and Communication Technology by pupils in school	Bullying	Acceptable Use Policy Anti-Bullying Policy Code of Behaviour
Application of sanctions under the school's Code of Behaviour including detention of pupils, confiscation of phones etc.	Harm to pupils	Anti-bullying Policy Code of Behaviour
Student teachers undertaking Teaching Practice	Harm not recognised or promptly reported	Teaching Practice Policy Vetting Procedures Child Safeguarding Statement Supervision Policy
Use of video/photography/other media to record school events	Bullying Harm by unknown adults	Social Media Guidelines Mobile Phone Policy Acceptable Use Policy Consent Forms
After school use of school premises by other organisations	Harm by unknown adults	Vetting Procedures Contract agreement requests that every group has its own Child Protection Policy and Child Safeguarding statement

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 was initially completed by the Board of Management on 7th March 2018. It was reviewed as part of the school's annual review of its Child Safeguarding Statement on: **18th November 2020**

Signed: 

Chairperson, Board of Management

Signed 

Principal/Secretary to the Board of Management