Child Safeguarding Risk Assessment (Working Document)

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 attended PDST face to face training. New DDLP (BK)has also attended training. DLP has attended CPSMA Webinar (4) All Staff have viewed Túsla training modules + have appropriate certification. BOM oversees this process Safeguarding regularly referred to at staff meetings and weekly schedule	
Staff working with children one to one.	Harm by school personnel	School has policy in place for one to one teaching (Support Policy) Open doors and or glass in window	
Working with pupils online (teaching and learning)	GDPR issues. Exposure to inappropriate materials.	Agreed use among staff on correct use of SeeSaw and Zoom if and when necessary.	
Care of Children with special needs, including intimate care needs	Harm by school personnel	Policy on Intimate Care	
Toilet areas	Inappropriate behaviour by pupils Children have accidents on school trips and in the classroom.	Supervision Policy Intimate Care Policy	
Curricular Provision in respect of SPHE, RSE, Stay Safe.	Non-teaching of same	School implements SPHE, RSE, Stay Safe in full and reviews annually. This good practice is reflected in Cúntas Míosúils	

LGBT Children/Pupils perceived to be LGBT	Bullying	Anti-Bullying Policy Code of Behaviour	
Daily arrival and dismissal of pupils	Harm from other pupils, unknown adults on the playground for children only. Parents entering side doors unannounced.	Arrival and dismissal supervised by teachers. School has designated access points for adults. Side gates on either side of school act as barriers for parents. Parents are informed regularly of correct procedures to be followed. Parents use Aladdin to notify teachers if pupils are leaving early.	
Managing of challenging behaviour amongst pupils, including appropriate use of restraint	Injury to pupils and staff	Physical Intervention Plan Use of Significant and Minor Incident Report Forms Sharing of report forms with parents. Health & Safety Policy Code Of Behaviour Home - school communication book to communicate incidents (Spraoi)	
Working with non-verbal children.	Harm from adults and other pupils.	Physical Intervention Plan Use of Significant and Minor Incident Report Forms Sharing of report forms with parents. Health & Safety Policy Code Of Behaviour Home - school communication book to communicate incidents (Spraoi)	
Sports Coaches	Harm to pupils	Procedures in place. Coach is accompanied by the teacher at all times.	
Students participating in work experience	Harm by student	Work Experience Policy Child Safeguarding Statement.	
Recreation breaks for pupils	Injury to pupils physical or mental.	Supervision Policy Supervision rota in place. Staff received First Aid training in Jan 2019, May '20	

		March 2022 and again in Jan 2023. Training is certified.	
Classroom teaching	Risk of child being harmed by school staff or another child	School adheres to Garda Vetting legislation School personnel required to adhere to CPP Adequate supervision (pupil teacher ratios)	
Outdoor teaching activities	Risk of a child being harmed by a member of school personnel, a member of staff of another organisation or other person while the child is participating in out of school activities eg swimming, school trips etc	Swimming Policy. Supervision Policy	
Sporting Activities	Risk of child being harmed by volunteer, visitor or coach	Appropriate vetting for coaches and volunteers	
School outings	Risk of child being harmed by volunteer, visitor or coach	Appropriate vetting for coaches and volunteers Supervision Policy	
Participation by pupils in religious ceremonies/instruction external to school.	Risk of harm to pupils.	Appropriate vetting of all adults. Teacher accompanies the pupil(s) to all such events, rehearsals etc	
Use of toilet/changing/shower areas in schools in the main school.	Harm by school personnel	These are marked Adult Only areas. Teachers teach pupils the school rules annually.	
Annual Sports Day/Run for Funds	Risk of child being harmed by volunteer, visitor or coach	Adults with direct contact with children must have appropriate vetting in place as per our Supervision Police Run for Funds committee oversees health and safety.	
Use of off-site facilities for school activities	Risk of harm from off-site personnel	Teachers to ascertain suitability of venues. Supervision Policy	
School transport arrangements including use of bus escorts		Appropriate vetting in place. Supervision Policy	

Administration of Medicine Administration of First Aid	Incorrect doses administered or inappropriate treatments.	School has an Admin of Medicines Policy. The school has in place safe practices for the admin of First Aid
Prevention and dealing with bullying amongst pupils		Induction folder for new members of staff School has Anti-Bullying Policy Cyberbullying Zeeko carry out training of 2nd to 6th Class every 2 years. BOM oversees
Use of external personnel to supplement curriculum	Risk of child being harmed by visitor or coach ie: external personnel	External personnel accompanied by school staff when possible. Appropriate vetting to be in place
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 • Pupils of minority religious faiths • Children in care Children in Spraoi		Policy on Inclusion School has an up to date Support Policy (April 2022) Bullying Policy

Recruitment of school personnel including - • 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 viewed Tusla training module & any other online training offered by PDST Vetting Procedures Policy for Parents / Volunteers Policy on Visiting Contractors	
Use of Information and Communication Technology by pupils in school	Bullying Inappropriate content	ICT policy Anti-Bullying Policy Code of Behaviour	
Application of sanctions under the school's Code of Behaviour including detention of pupils, confiscation of phones, smart watches etc.	Risk of harm due to inadequate Code of Behaviour	Annual Review in September	
Students participating in work experience in the school	Risk of harm	The school has in place safe practices in respect of student placement	
Student teachers undertaking training placement in school	Risk of harm	The school has in place safe practices in respect of SNA/teacher placement	
Use of information and communication technology by pupils in school.	Children at risk of being bullied. Children at risk at being exposed to inappropriate material	Appropriate filter is in place. School has AUP and ICT Policy in place. School has a Mobile Phone Policy School has Bullying Policy in place.	
Use of video/photography/other media to record school events	Children at risk of having their images shared inappropriately	School has AUP in place. School has a Mobile Phone Policy updates in 2022	

	School has Bullying Policy in place.
	Parents are not permitted to share images

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 in April 2023. It will be reviewed as part of the school's annual review of its Child Safeguarding Statement.

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Chairperson, Board of Management		
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Principal/Secretary to the Board of Management		