

Child Safeguarding Risk Assessment

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	High	Harm not recognised or reported promptly	<p>Child Safeguarding Statement & DES procedures made available to all staff</p> <p>DLP & DDLP to attend PDST face to face training All Staff to view Túsla training module & any other online training offered by PDST</p> <p>BOM records all records of staff and board training All staff are garda vetted and teachers registered with Teaching Council</p>
One to one teaching	Med	Harm by school personnel	<p>School has a policy in place for one to one teaching (pending)</p> <p>Open doors</p> <p>Table between teacher and pupils</p> <p>Glass in all classroom doors</p> <p>All staff are garda vetted and teachers registered with Teaching Council</p>
Care of Children with special needs	Med	Harm by school personnel	<p>Update SEN Policy</p> <p>SNA will have door open or have another child with them if they are outside or in another place with Special Needs Child.</p>
Toilet areas at break times	High	<p>Inappropriate behaviour</p> <p>Children coming inside from the yard unsupervised to use the toilet</p>	<p>Usage and supervision policy – only one per cubicle allowed into bathrooms at break times.</p> <p>Blue/Pink Card system in operation at break times so</p>

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			only one child going in from yard at a time. Only one child from each classroom allowed to toilet at a time.
Curricular Provision in respect of SPHE, RSE, Stay safe.	Low	Non-teaching of same	School implements SPHE, RSE, Stay Safe in full
Daily arrival and dismissal of pupils	Med	Harm from older pupils, unknown adults in the playground	Children are supervised from 9.20 in the morning until 3pm each day only – parents are made aware of this. Signs are up in school to enforce the rule.
Parents visiting the school unannounced	High	Parents arriving to the school unannounced. Parents coming to the school under the influence.	Parents to arrange meetings with staff. Two adults to be present during meetings if needed. Doors are locked at all times and to gain entry a bell must be rang and a staff member has to open door.
Managing of challenging behaviour amongst pupils, including appropriate use of restraint	High	Injury to pupils and staff	Restraint Policy (pending) Health & Safety Policy Code Of Behaviour
Sports Coaches/External personnel used to supplement the curriculum	Med	Harm to pupils	Policy & Procedures in place Coaches are vetted and class teachers are present during all activities
Students participating in work experience in the school	Low	Harm by work experience student	Work Experience Policy All work experience students are Garda vetted and are never left on their own with children Child Safeguarding Statement
Recreation breaks for pupils	Med	Harm by school personnel	Open doors System in place for entering to go to the toilet.
Classroom teaching	Low	Harm by school personnel	All pupils are present Glass in doors of all classrooms Code of Behaviour Policy All staff are garda vetted and teachers registered with Teaching Council

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Outdoor teaching activities	Low	Physical injury Harm by school personnel	The yard is well maintained and spacious The children are always supervised by teachers and SNA's Code of Behaviour
Sporting Activities	Low	Physical injury Harm by school personnel	The yard is well maintained and spacious The children are always supervised by adults with the S.N.A on call if assistance is needed
School outings	High	Physical injury A child wandering off Harm by other personnel	School Tour Policy Adult supervision at all times
Annual Sports Day	Low	Physical injury Harm by school personnel	The yard is well maintained and spacious Activities will be organised and planned. The children are always supervised by adults with the S.N.A on call if assistance is needed
Fundraising events involving pupils	Med	Physical injury Other adults present	Supervision Policy
Administration of Medicine Administration of First Aid	High	Incorrect dosage Allergic reaction	Written parental permission to administer medicine Procedures for pupil's different health conditions displayed clearly for all staff in the staff room. School has a No NUT policy and no sharing of lunch policy. Training in Epi Pen/Jext Pen use for staff. Make sure Jext Pen is in date and that all staff know where it is. SNA's/Teachers are trained to care for pupil with diabetes. Request a visit from the diabetic nurse if

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			needed. Further training for Epi Pen use needed each year. First Aid Course to be organised and re-fresher course for those already trained.
Prevention and dealing with bullying amongst pupils Cyber Bullying	Med	Physical abuse Lasting psychological and emotional effects	Anti-bullying Policy Stay Safe, S.P.H.E. and R.S.E programmes Code of behaviour Internet Safety Policy
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 • Pupils perceived to be LGBT • Pupils of minority religious faiths • Children in care • Children on CPNS 	Low	Exclusion, segregation	S.P.H.E. Code of Behaviour Enrolment Policy
Recruitment of school personnel including - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teachers • SNA's • Caretaker/Secretary/Cleaners • Sports coaches • External Tutors/Guest Speakers 	Med	If not Garda Vetted	Child Safeguarding Statement & DES procedures made available to all staff Staff to view Tusla training module & any other online training offered by PDST Vetting Procedures

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volunteers/Parents in school activities • Visitors/contractors present in school during school hours • Visitors/contractors present during after school activities 			<p>Policy of Parents / Volunteers</p> <p>Policy on Visiting Contractors</p> <p>Interview Criteria</p>
Use of Information and Communication Technology by pupils in school	High	Bullying Access to inappropriate content	<p>ICT policy</p> <p>Anti-Bullying Policy</p> <p>Code of Behaviour</p> <p>Set iPads and Computers to Kidrex (pending)</p>
Application of sanctions under the school's Code of Behaviour including detention of pupils, confiscation of phones or Smart Watches.	Med	Harm by school personnel Supervision of children at break/lunch if they are kept in for mis-behaviour Forgetting to give a phone back to a child	<p>Supervision policy</p> <p>Anti-bullying policy</p> <p>No mobile phones allowed in school only for staff members.</p> <p>Parents must collect the phones/Smart Watches if they are taken by teacher.</p>
Student teachers undertaking training placement in school	Low	Harm by teacher training student	<p>All teacher training students are Garda vetted and are never left on their own with children</p> <p>Child Safeguarding Statement</p>
Use of video/photography/other media to record school events	Med	Inappropriate redistribution of photos/videos Videos/photographs used during Religious Ceremonies or Christmas Concert	<p>Children's names are never with photos</p> <p>Parents sign enrolment form to give written permission for their children's images to be used</p> <p>Parents will be informed that they are not allowed to take videos during these events.</p>
Changing of clothes for children who have a toilet accident, i.e. infants, or for older children who fall and dirty their clothes outside Intimate care needs	High	Harm by school personnel	<p>Keep a record of any incidents and let parents know</p> <p>Send a note to parents of infant children at the start of the year to get permission to change their child's clothes in the event of an accident or give them the</p>

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			<p>option to be contacted to come and change their child's clothes themselves if they prefer. Two adults will be present/floating around.</p> <p>Parents can send in a change of clothes (underwear/socks) in their child's school bag</p> <p>Parents come to the swimming pool (Aura Carrick-on-Shannon) to change the children's clothes if they are not able to do so themselves during Dangan NS Swimming lessons.</p>
Children who are a 'flight risk'	High	Physical injury Harm by other personnel	<p>Yard supervisors made aware and watch the school gate</p> <p>School doors are locked during school times and only one school door is open during break times.</p>

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 March 10th, 2018. It will be reviewed as part of the school's annual review of its Child Safeguarding Statement.

Signed _____ Date _____

Chairperson, Board of Management

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Signed _____ Date _____

Principal/Secretary to the Board of Management