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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	Child Safeguarding statement & DES procedures made available to all staff DLP & DDLP to attend PDST face to face training CPD to be promoted for staff
Care of Children with special needs, including intimate care needs	HIGH	Harm by school personnel	BOM record all records of staff and board training Policy on intimate care
Toilet Areas	HIGH	In-appropriate behaviour	Clear signage to adult toilets "Children Only" signs on children's toilets School implements SPHE, RSE, Stay Safe in full
Curricular Provision in respect of SPHE< RSE, Stay Safe	MED	Non-teaching of same	Anti-Bullying Policy Code of Behaviour
LGBT Children/Pupils perceived to be LGBT	LOW	Bullying	Children not permitted on school grounds until 9.20am, and are collected at 3pm
Daily arrival and dismissal of pupils	MED	Harm from older pupils, unknown adults on the playground	Health & Safety Policy Code of Behaviour
Managing of challenging behaviour amongst pupils	HIGH	Injury to pupils and staff	

Sports Coaches	MED	Harm to pupils	Vetting required, teacher present at all times
Recreation breaks for pupils	HIGH	Harm to pupils	Children are supervised by teachers and SNA's at all breaks
Classroom teaching	LOW	Harm to pupils	Supervision by teachers
Outdoor teaching activities	MED	Harm to pupils	Supervision by teachers
Sporting Activities	HIGH	Harm to pupils	Supervision by teachers
School outings	HIGH	Harm to pupils	Have adequate supervision in relation to child/teacher ratio
Use of toilet area in school	HIGH	Harm to pupils	Children get permission to use toilet and teacher is aware of which pupils are in the toilet area at all times
Annual Sports Day	HIGH	Harm to pupils	Supervision by teachers and SNA's.
Fundraising events involving pupils	HIGH	Harm to pupils	Garda vetted parents and supervision by teachers
Students requiring intimate care	HIGH	Harm to pupils	Meeting with parents where signed consent is required.
Management of challenging behaviour amongst pupils, including appropriate use of restraint where required	HIGH	Harm to pupils	Code of Behaviour. Health & Safety Policy. Discipline Policy.
Administration of Medicine Administration of First Aid	HIGH	Harm by school personnel	Policy of Administration of Medicine. Health & Safety Policy

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Prevention and dealing with bullying amongst pupils	MED	Bullying	Anti-bullying Policy. Code of behaviour Friends for Life. Anti-Bullying Week Friendship Week
Training of school personnel in child protection matters	HIGH	Harm not recognised or reported promptly	Child Safeguarding Statement and DES procedure made available to staff
Use of external personnel to supplement curriculum	MED	Harm to pupils	Vetting Procedures. Teacher supervision at all times. List of vetted parents
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 LGBT• Pupils of minority religious faiths• Children in care• Children on CPNS	MED	Bullying	Anti-bullying Policy. Code of behaviour. Student Council to ask if students had a good break.

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 	HIGH	Harm not recognised or properly or promptly reported	Child Safeguarding Statement & DES procedures made available to all staff
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Documentation of child protection information	HIGH	Harm to pupils	Each classroom to get a filing cabinet for sensitive information
Use of Information and Communication Technology by pupils in school	HIGH	Bullying	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 etc	HIGH	Bullying	Phones or other smart communication devices are not permitted in school. Cyber bullying section in Anti Bullying policy. Code of Behaviour. Discipline Policy. If a member of staff has photographs of children on phones they should delete immediately after they have passed them onto the school.

Students participating in work experience in the school	MED	Harm by student	Child Safeguarding Statement Folders with guidelines in all classrooms and students made aware of it. Student Council aware of CSS Folders Child Safeguarding Statement to be provided to student teacher
Student teachers undertaking training placement in school	MED	Harm by student teacher	Folder with CSS and guidelines in all classrooms and student teachers made aware of it
Use of video/photography/ other media to record school events	HIGH	Harm to pupils	Consent sought in enrolment policy for use of media to be permitted in relation to child. Anti-bullying Policy
Swimming	HIGH	Harm to pupils	Swimming Policy – if teacher has to enter changing room, 2 members of staff must be present

Remote Learning

High

Harm to students

Use of see-saw a protected site for lessons and communication between students, parents and teachers.

Parents sign consent for the use of Seesaw and the Facebook Page

Closed facebook page for parents/guardians and students only so the school community can stay connected.

Posts to the facebook page must be approved by approvers before they are placed on the page.

Parents/Guardians must answer 3 questions before they are added on to the facebook page as a friend.

Parents/Guardians are informed that they give permission for each post they send to the facebook page if they post something to the facebook page.

Remote Learning Policy.

Acceptable Use Policy.

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*

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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 11th March 2020. It shall be reviewed as part of the school's annual review of its Child Safeguarding Statement.

Signed *Seamus Kelly* Date 19/3/2021

Chairperson, Board of Management

Signed *Anita Keave* Date 19th March 2021

Principal/Secretary to the Board of Management