



St. John The Baptist National School.

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	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 All Staff to view Túsla training module & any other online training offered by PDST BOM records all records of staff and board training
One to one teaching	High	Harm by school personnel	School has policy in place for one to one teaching. Open door option. Intercom. Table between teacher and pupil. Glass in window.
Care of Children with special needs, including intimate care needs	High	Harm by school personnel	Policy on intimate care.
Toilet areas	High	Inappropriate behaviour	Supervision policy.
Curricular Provision in respect of SPHE, RSE, Stay safe.	Med	Non-teaching of same	School implements SPHE, RSE, Stay Safe in full
Children/Pupils perceived to be LGBT	Low	Bullying	Anti-Bullying Policy Code of Behaviour



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Daily arrival and dismissal of pupils	High	Harm from pupils, unknown adults on the playground	Arrival and dismissal supervised by Teachers
Managing of challenging behaviour amongst pupils, including appropriate use of restraint	High	Injury to pupils and staff	Restraint Policy Health & Safety Policy Code Of Behaviour
Sports Coaches External teachers	High	Harm to pupils	Policy & Procedures in place Teacher present.
Students participating in work experience	Low	Harm by student	Work experience Policy Child Safeguarding Statement. Teacher present.
Recreation breaks for pupils	High	Harm from pupils, unknown adults on the playground Flight risk Bullying	Supervision policy Anti-bully / Code of behaviour.
Classroom teaching	Low	Harm to pupils	All teachers GV Intercom Glass.
Outdoor teaching activities	Med	Flight risk	Supervision policy Pupil/adult ratio.
Homework club After school clubs	Low		Pupil/teacher ratio.



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School outings	High	Flight risk	Supervision policy. Pupil/adult ratio.
After school sport activities	High	Toileting supervision.	Sports policy Supervision rota.
School transport	High	Harm to pupils	DES guidelines.
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Administration of Medicine Administration of First Aid	High	Overdose Access to medicine	Admin medicine policy. Training. Central Storage.
Prevention and dealing with bullying amongst pupils	Med	Bullying	Policy.
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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 			



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender (LGBT) children • Pupils perceived to be LGBT • Pupils of minority religious faiths • Children in care • Children on CPNS 			
<p>Recruitment of school personnel including -</p> <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 		<p>Harm not recognised or properly or promptly reported</p>	<p>Child Safeguarding Statement & DES procedures made available to all staff</p> <p>Staff to view Tusla training module & any other online training offered by PDST</p> <p>Vetting Procedures – staff and parents.</p> <p>Policy on Visiting Contractors</p>
<p>List of School Activities</p>		<p>The School has identified the following Risk of Harm</p>	<p>The School has the following Procedures in place to address risk identified in this assessment</p>
<p>Use of Information and Communication Technology by pupils in school</p>	<p>High</p>	<p>Bullying Accessing inappropriate material Using inappropriately.</p>	<p>ICT policy NCTE filter Anti-Bullying Policy Code of Behaviour Collection of phones</p>
<p>Application of sanctions under the school's Code of Behaviour including detention of pupils, confiscation of phones etc.</p>	<p>Low</p>		<p>Supervision of detention</p>



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Use of video/photography/other media to record school events.			
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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 *[insert date]*. 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