



Child Safeguarding Risk Assessment Template

Written Assessment of Risk of Scoil Chliodhna CNS, 2020

In accordance with section 11 of the Children First Act 2015 and with the requirement of Chapter 8 of the *Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools 2017*, the following is the Written Risk Assessment of [name of school].

1. List of school activities

1. Training of school personnel in Child Protection matters
2. One to one teaching
3. Toilet areas
4. Curricular Provision in respect of SPHE, RSE, Stay safe.
5. Daily arrival and dismissal of pupils
6. Managing of challenging behaviour amongst pupils, including appropriate use of restraint
7. Sports Coaches
8. Students participating in work experience
9. Parent volunteers
10. Recreation breaks for pupils
11. Classroom teaching
12. Outdoor teaching activities
13. Sporting Activities
14. School outings
15. Annual Sports Day
16. Fundraising events involving pupils
17. Use of off-site facilities for school activities
18. School transport arrangements
19. Administration of Medicine
20. Administration of First Aid
21. Prevention and dealing with bullying amongst pupils and staff
22. 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 on CPNS*
23. Recruitment of school personnel including -
 - Teachers*
 - SNA's*
 - Caretaker/Secretary/Cleaners*
 - Sports coaches*
 - External Tutors/Guest Speakers*
 - Volunteers/Parents in school activities*
 - Student teachers*
 - Visitors/contractors present in school during school hours*
 - Visitors/contractors present during after school activities*
23. Use of school premises by other organisation during school day



24. Use of Information and Communication Technology by pupils in school
25. Application of sanctions under the school's Code of Behaviour
26. Student teachers undertaking training placement in school
27. Use of video/photography/other media to record school events

2. The school has identified the following risk of harm in respect of its activities -

1. Harm not recognised or reported promptly, correct procedures not followed
2. Harm to child by school personnel
3. Risk of a child being harmed due to inappropriate behaviour/communications between child and another child.
4. Non-teaching of same, inadequate planning or time being given to lessons
5. Risk of child being harmed by another child, unknown adults on the playground
6. Risk of harm to child or adult due to inadequate code of behaviour, or due to members of staff and children not adhering to code of behaviour
7. Risk of harm to children by staff from outside agencies
8. Risk of harm to children by volunteers
9. Risk of harm to children by volunteers
10. Risk of harm to children by staff
11. Risk of harm to children and staff
12. Risk of harm to children by other children and staff
13. Risk of harm to children by other children and staff
14. Risk of harm to children by other children, staff and other adults
15. Risk of harm to children by other children, staff and other adults, Increased risk of injury
16. Risk of harm to children by other children, staff and other adults
17. Harm to pupils, Increased risk of injury
18. Harm to pupils, Bullying
19. Risk of harm to children by staff
20. Risk of harm to children by staff
21. Risk of harm to staff and children by staff, children and other adults
22. Harm not recognised or properly or promptly reported
23. Risk of harm to children by adults from outside agency
24. Bullying, Exposure to inappropriate content, Invasion of privacy
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26. Harm not recognised or properly or promptly reported
27. Invasion of privacy, Misuse of images and material

3. The school has the following procedures in place to address the risks of harm identified in this assessment -

1. All school personnel are provided with a copy of the school's *Child Safeguarding Statement*

The *Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools 2017* are made available to all school personnel

School Personnel are required to adhere to the *Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools 2017* and all registered teaching staff are required to adhere to the *Children First Act 2015*
BOM records all records of staff and board training
2. School has policy in place for one to one teaching
Table between teacher and pupil
Glass in door
3. Usage and supervision policy



4. School implements SPHE, RSE, Stay Safe in full. School supports attendance at RSE/ SPHE CPD for teachers
5. Arrival and dismissal supervised by Teachers
One member of staff at school gate
6. Health & Safety Policy
Code Of Behaviour
7. Code of conduct for outside agencies is being drawn up
8. Work experience contract, Child Safeguarding Statement.
9. Policy and Procedures in place ,Parent contract
10. One to one policy
11. Glass in door
Code of behaviour
Health and safety policy
Child Safeguarding Statement.
12. Code of behaviour
Health and safety policy
Child Safeguarding Statement.
13. Code of behaviour
Health and safety policy
Child Safeguarding Statement.
14. Agreed pupil to adult ratio (1:10)
Code of behaviour
Health and safety policy
Child Safeguarding Statement.
15. Code of behaviour
Health and safety policy
Child Safeguarding Statement
Parent volunteer contract
16. Code of behaviour
Health and safety policy
Child Safeguarding Statement
Parent volunteer contract
17. Code of behaviour
Health and safety policy
Child Safeguarding Statement
Parent volunteer contract
18. Code of behaviour
Health and safety policy
Child Safeguarding Statement
Parent volunteer contract
19. Administration of medicines policy
20. Administration of medicines policy
21. Code of behaviour
Anti bullying policy
Equality policy
Acceptable usage policy
Restorative practice plan in progress
22. Code of behaviour
Anti bullying policy
Equality policy
Acceptable usage policy
Restorative practice plan in progress
GMGY- Lessons on human rights
23. 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
Parent/ volunteer contract



- Code of conduct for outside agencies in progress
- 24. Glass in doors
 - Code of conduct for outside agencies in progress
- 25. AUP
 - Anti-Bullying Policy
 - Code of Behaviour
- 26. Code of behaviour protects from harm, sanctions are supervised
- 27. Vetting procedures
 - Child safeguarding policy
 - Code of behaviour
 - Code of conduct for outside agencies in progress
- AUP
- 28. AUP

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 14th May 2020. It shall be reviewed as part of the school’s annual review of its Child Safeguarding Statement.

Signed *Liam Ahern* Date 14th May 2020

Chairperson, Board of Management

Signed *Teresa Coughlan* Date 14th May 2020

Principal/Secretary to the Board of Management

Examples of activities, risks and procedures

