

Child Safeguarding Risk Assessment The Monastery School

List of School Activities	The School has identified the following Risk of Harm in respect of its Activities	Procedures in place to Address Risks of Harm	Ranking the Risk
Daily arrival and Dismissal of Pupils	Risk of child being harmed	<p>The school has a yard/playground supervision procedures in place to ensure appropriate supervision of pupils during arrival, dismissal and breaks .</p> <p>The school grounds are accessed through two main gates which are monitored by CCTV. High fencing in play areas protect children from interacting with visiting adults.</p> <p>A procedure is in place, (with relevant signage in reception area), where all visitors must be admitted by personnel in charge.</p> <p>Where pupils are collected early, a parent must sign them out at the office.</p> <p>The school has in place a mobile phone policy in respect of the usage of mobile phones by pupils.</p>	Medium
Breaktimes Sos and Lón Use of toilets	<p>Risk of child being harmed</p> <p>Inappropriate behaviour.</p> <p>Risk of harm due to bullying.</p>	<p>The school has a yard/playground supervision procedures in place to ensure appropriate supervision of pupils during breaks and in respect of specific areas such as toilets.</p> <p>The school has in place an Anti-Bullying and Mobile phone policy in respect of the usage of mobile phones .</p>	Low
School Outings	<p>Risk of child being harmed by a member of school personnel, a member of staff of another organisation or another person while a child is participating in out of school activities.</p> <p>Risk of harm due to inadequate supervision of children while</p>	<p>The school has in place a mobile phone policy in respect of the usage of mobile phones by pupils.</p> <p>The school has in place a School Tour Policy. Staff follow safety procedures in respect of pupil safety and supervision on school outings</p> <p>Adequate numbers of staff while attending out of school activities. (snas/ extra teachers)</p>	Medium

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Sporting Activities	Risk of child being harmed by a member of school personnel or in a coaching situation.	The teacher remains present with their class when a visiting coach/mentor is conducting a lesson. School will require that coaches comply with the requirements of the DES with regard to Garda Vetting.	Low
School Completion Programme activities	Risk of child being harmed	The school adheres to the requirements of the Garda vetting legislation and the relevant DES circulars in relation to recruitment and Garda vetting. SCP. Personnel are provided with a copy of the School's Child Safeguarding Statement. SCP staff have completed Tusla e- learning on C.P.	Low
Annual Sports Day	Risk of child being harmed Inappropriate behaviour. Risk of harm due to bullying. Risk of harm due to inadequate supervision.	The school has a yard/playground supervision procedures in place to ensure appropriate supervision of pupils during assembly, dismissal and breaks and in respect of specific areas such as toilets. The school has in place a policy and procedures for the administration of first aid	Low
Fundraising Events involving Pupils	Risk of child being harmed	The school has a yard/p itch supervision procedures in place to ensure appropriate supervision of pupils . Health and Safety Policy	Low
Use of off-site facilities for school activities	Risk of child being harmed by a member of school personnel, a member of staff of another organisation or another person while a child is participating in out of school activities Risk of harm due to inadequate supervision.	The school has supervision procedures in place to ensure appropriate supervision of pupils Curricular provision through SPHE	High
School transport arrangements for school tours, matches...	Risk of child being harmed	The school has supervision procedures in place to ensure appropriate supervision of pupils The school has procedures in place in respect of school outings.	Medium

Homework Club	Risk of child being harmed	The school has supervision procedures in place to ensure appropriate supervision of pupils. The school adheres to the requirements of the Garda vetting legislation and the relevant DES circulars in relation to recruitment and Garda vetting	Low
Boys on errands around the school eg. Litter Wardens/ Zambia, Gym Store Monitors	Risk of child being harmed	The school has in place a Code of Behaviour policy. The school has security measures in place e.g. buzzer, gates closed and cameras.	Low
Classroom Teaching	Risk of child being harmed	The school adheres to the requirements of the Garda Vetting legislation and relevant DES circulars in relation to recruitment and Garda vetting.	Low
One-one teaching	Risk of child being harmed	The school has an open door practise. The school has in place procedures for one-to-one teaching activities. The school adheres to the requirements of the Garda vetting legislation and the relevant DES circulars in relation to recruitment and Garda vetting	High
One- to- one counselling	Risk of child being harmed	The practise of an open door in the counselling area. The school adheres to the requirements of the Garda vetting legislation and the relevant DES circulars in relation to recruitment and Garda vetting	High
Care of children with special educational needs, including intimate care where needed.	Risk of child being harmed	The school has an intimate care procedure in respect of students who require such care. The school has a SEN policy. Two members of staff must attend intimate care needs at all times.	High
Management of challenging behaviour amongst pupils.	Risk of child being harmed	The school has in place a Code of Behaviour for pupils.	Medium
Administration of medicine.	Risk of child being harmed	. School has procedures in place for administration of 'Epipen' to relevant pupils where required. The school has in place a policy for the administration of medication to pupils.	Medium

Administration of First Aid	Risk of child being harmed	The school has in place procedures for the administration of first aid. Staff are trained in the use of AED.	Medium
Curricular Provision in respect of SPHE, RSE, Stay Safe	Non-Teaching of same	The school implements in full the Stay Safe Programme. The school implements in full the SPHE Curriculum. The School has a Health and Safety Policy.	Low
Prevention and dealing with bullying amongst pupils.	Risk of harm due to inappropriate communications between child and another child or adult.	The school has an anti-bullying policy which complies with the DES “Anti-Bullying Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools.	Low
Training of School Personnel in Child Protection Matters	Harm not being recognised or reported properly.	All school staff have completed the Tusla e-learning programme on Child Protection. The school provides each staff member with a copy of the schools child Safeguarding Statement. Maintains records of all staff training. DLP AND Deputy DLP to attend PDST face-face training. ⁴ All staff will avail of the PDST e-learning module this term. The school has codes of conduct for all school personnel teaching and non-teaching staff.	Low
Care of Pupils with specific vulnerabilities- Pupils from ethnic minorities/migrants, traveller children, LGBT children, pupils perceived to be LGBT, pupils of minority religious faiths, children in care, Children on CPNS	Risk of child being harmed Risk of harm due to inappropriate communications between child and another child or adult. Risk of harm to children who have particular vulnerabilities.	The school has an anti-bullying policy which complies with the DES “Anti-Bullying Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools. The school implements in full the Stay Safe Programme. The school implements in full the SPHE Curriculum.	Medium
Recruitment of school personnel including Teachers, SNAs, Caretaker, Secretary, Cleaners.Sports coaches, external tutors, guest speakers,	Risk of child being harmed Risk of harm due to inappropriate communications between child and another child or adult.	The school adheres to the requirements of the Garda vetting legislation and the relevant DES circulars in relation to recruitment and Garda vetting. The school has supervision procedures in place to ensure appropriate supervision of pupils. Teacher remains present with pupils at all times.	Low

Use of external personnel to supplement curriculum.	Risk of child being harmed Risk of harm due to inappropriate communications between child and another child or adult.	The school has supervision procedures in place to ensure appropriate supervision of pupils. Teacher remains present with pupils at all times.	Low
Use of external personnel to support sports and other extra-curricular activities.	Risk of child being harmed	The school has supervision procedures in place to ensure appropriate supervision of pupils. Teacher remains present with pupils at all times.	Low
Volunteers/parents in school activities.	Risk of child being harmed	The school has supervision procedures in place to ensure appropriate supervision of pupils. Teacher remains present with pupils at all times.	Low
Visitors/contractors present in school during school hours.	Risk of child being harmed	Procedures in place to ensure restricted access to school for visitors/contractors.	Medium
Participation by pupils in religious ceremonies/religious instruction external to the school.	Risk of child being harmed by a member of school personnel, a member of staff of another organisation or another person while a child is participating in out of school activities	The school has supervision procedures in place to ensure appropriate supervision of pupils The school adheres to the requirements of the Garda vetting legislation and the relevant DES circulars in relation to recruitment and Garda vetting.	Low
Student teachers undertaking training placement in the school.	Risk of child being harmed.	The school has supervision procedures in place to ensure appropriate supervision of pupils. Teacher remains present with pupils at all times. The school adheres to the requirements of the Garda vetting legislation and the relevant DES circulars in relation to recruitment and Garda vetting.	Low
Afterschool use of premises by other organisations- St Annes.	Risk of child being harmed by a member of school personnel, a member of staff of another organisation or another person while a child is participating in after school activities	The school has supervision procedures in place to ensure appropriate supervision of pupils. The school adheres to the requirements of the Garda vetting legislation and the relevant DES circulars in relation to recruitment and Garda vetting.	Low
Delivery Personnel	Risk of child being harmed.	Procedures in place to ensure restricted access to school for delivery personnel. Cameras are in operation..	Medium
Use of ICT by pupils in the school.	Risk of harm due to children inappropriately accessing	The School has in place an ICT Policy in respect of usage by pupils.	Low

	/using computers/tablets/social media/phones while in the school.	The school has in place a Mobile Phone Policy .	
Use of video /photography/other media to record school events.	Risk of harm	Consent is sought from parents for photography on enrolment.	Low
Application of sanctions under the School's Code of Behaviour including Detention of pupils, confiscation of phones.	Risk of harm due to inadequate code of behaviour.	The school has in place a code of behaviour for pupils. Health and Safety Policy.	Low
Students work experience in the school- TY s / French Student .		The school will require students on work experience to fulfil the requirements of the DES Circular in relation to recruitment and Vetting.	Low

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 risks 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 of The Monastery School on It shall 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