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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	Risk of harm not being recognised by school personnel Risk of harm not being reported properly and promptly by school personnel Risk of child being harmed in the school by a member of school personnel	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 The school has provided each member of school staff with a copy of the school's Child Safeguarding Statement Ensures all new staff are provided with a copy of the school's Child Safeguarding Statement Encourages staff to avail of relevant training Encourages board of management members to avail of relevant training Maintains records of all staff and board member training The school has in place a policy and procedures for the administration of First Aid
One to one teaching	Med	Harm by school personnel	The school has a Special Educational Needs policy School has a statement in place on one to one teaching Table between teacher and pupil Glass in window
Care of Children with special needs, including intimate care needs	High	Harm by school personnel	The school has an intimate care policy/plan in respect of students who require such care
Toilet areas	High	Risk of harm due to bullying of child Risk of harm due to inadequate supervision of children in school Risk of harm due to inappropriate relationship /communications between child and another child or adult	The school has a yard/playground supervision policy to ensure appropriate supervision of children during, assembly, dismissal and breaks and in respect of specific areas such as toilets, changing rooms etc.



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Curricular Provision in respect of SPHE, RSE, Stay safe.	Med	Non-teaching of same	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 The school implements in full the Stay Safe Programme The school implements in full the SPHE curriculum
Use of external personnel to support sports and other extra-curricular activities	High	Risk of child being harmed in the school by volunteer or visitor to the school Risk of child being harmed by a member of school personnel, a member of staff of another organisation or other person while child participating in out of school activities e.g. school trip, swimming lessons	The school adheres to the requirements of the Garda vetting legislation and relevant DES circulars in relation to recruitment and Garda vetting The school has in place procedures for the use of external persons to supplement delivery of the curriculum The school has in place a policy and procedures for the use of external sports coaches
Daily arrival and dismissal of pupils	Med	Risk of child being harmed in the school by another child Risk of child being harmed in the school by volunteer or visitor to the school	The school has a yard/playground supervision policy to ensure appropriate supervision of children during, assembly, dismissal and breaks and in respect of specific areas such as toilets, changing rooms etc.
Managing of challenging behaviour amongst pupils, including appropriate use of restraint	High	Risk of harm to children with SEN who have particular vulnerabilities Risk of harm due to inadequate code of behaviour	The school has a Health and Safety Policy The school has in place a code of behaviour for pupils
Participation by pupils in religious ceremonies / religious instruction external to the school	Med	Risk of child being harmed by a member of school personnel, a member of staff of another organisation or other person while child participating in out of school activities e.g. school trip, swimming lessons	The school has in place a policy and clear procedures in respect of school outings The school has in place procedures for the use of external persons to supplement delivery of the curriculum
Students participating in work experience	Med	Risk of child being harmed in the school by volunteer or visitor to the school	Child Safeguarding Statement The school adheres to the requirements of the Garda vetting legislation and relevant DES circulars in relation to recruitment and Garda vetting The school has in place procedures in respect of students undertaking work experience in the school



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Recreation breaks for pupils	High	Risk of harm due to inadequate supervision of children in school Risk of harm due to inadequate code of behaviour	The school has an Anti-Bullying Policy which fully adheres to the requirements of the Department's Anti-Bullying Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools The school has a yard/playground supervision policy to ensure appropriate supervision of children during, assembly, dismissal and breaks and in respect of specific areas such as toilets, changing rooms etc. The school has in place a code of behaviour for pupils
Classroom teaching	Med	Risk of harm not being recognised by school personnel Risk of harm not being reported properly and promptly by school personnel Risk of child being harmed in the school by a member of school personnel	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
Outdoor teaching activities	Med	Risk of child being harmed by a member of school personnel, a member of staff of another organisation or other person while child participating in out of school activities e.g. school trip, swimming lessons Risk of harm due to inadequate supervision of children while attending out of school activities	All school personnel are provided with a copy of the school's Child Safeguarding Statement The school has in place a policy and clear procedures in respect of school outings
Sporting Activities	Med	Risk of child being harmed by a member of school personnel, a member of staff of another organisation or other person while child participating in out of school activities e.g. school trip, swimming lessons Risk of harm due to inadequate supervision of children while attending out of school activities	All school personnel are provided with a copy of the school's Child Safeguarding Statement The school adheres to the requirements of the Garda vetting legislation and relevant DES circulars in relation to recruitment and Garda vetting The school has in place a policy and procedures for the use of external sports coaches
School outings	High	Risk of child being harmed by a member of school personnel, a member of staff of another organisation or other person while child participating in out of school activities e.g. school trip, swimming lessons Risk of harm due to inadequate supervision of children while attending out of school activities	The school has in place a policy and clear procedures in respect of school outings The school has a Health and Safety Policy



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Annual Sports Day	High	<p>Risk of child being harmed in the school by another child</p> <p>Risk of child being harmed in the school by volunteer or visitor to the school</p> <p>Risk of harm due to inadequate supervision of children in school</p> <p>Risk of harm due to inappropriate relationship /communications between child and another child or adult</p> <p>Risk of harm due to inadequate code of behaviour</p>	<p>The school has in place a policy and clear procedures in respect of school outings</p> <p>The school has a yard/playground supervision policy to ensure appropriate supervision of children during, assembly, dismissal and breaks and in respect of specific areas such as toilets, changing rooms etc.</p> <p>The school has a Health and Safety Policy</p>
Fundraising events involving pupils	Med	<p>Risk of harm due to inadequate supervision of children while attending out of school activities</p> <p>Risk of harm due to inappropriate relationship /communications between child and another child or adult</p>	<p>All school personnel are provided with a copy of the school's Child Safeguarding Statement</p> <p>The school has a yard/playground supervision policy to ensure appropriate supervision of children during, assembly, dismissal and breaks and in respect of specific areas such as toilets, changing rooms etc.</p>
Use of off-site facilities for school activities	Med	<p>Risk of harm due to inadequate supervision of children while attending out of school activities</p>	<p>All school personnel are provided with a copy of the school's Child Safeguarding Statement</p> <p>The school has a yard/playground supervision policy to ensure appropriate supervision of children during, assembly, dismissal and breaks and in respect of specific areas such as toilets, changing rooms etc.</p> <p>The school has in place a policy and clear procedures in respect of school outings</p> <p>The school has a Health and Safety Policy</p> <p>The school has in place an ICT policy in respect of usage of ICT by pupils</p> <p>The school has in place procedures in respect of usage of mobile phones by pupils</p>



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<p>School transport arrangements including use of bus escorts</p>	<p>Med</p>	<p>Risk of harm not being recognised by school personnel Risk of child being harmed by a member of school personnel, a member of staff of another organisation or other person while child participating in out of school activities e.g. school trip, swimming lessons Risk of harm due to inadequate supervision of children in school</p>	<p>The school has a yard/playground supervision policy to ensure appropriate supervision of children during, assembly, dismissal and breaks and in respect of specific areas such as toilets, changing rooms etc. The school has in place a policy and clear procedures in respect of school outings The school has a Health and Safety Policy</p>
<p>Administration of Medicine Administration of First Aid</p>	<p>High</p>	<p>Risk of harm not being recognised by school personnel Risk of harm not being reported properly and promptly by school personnel Risk of child being harmed in the school by a member of school personnel Risk of harm to children with SEN who have particular vulnerabilities</p>	<p>The school has a Health and Safety Policy The school has an intimate care policy/plan in respect of students who require such care The school has in place a policy and procedures for the administration of medication to pupils</p>
<p>Prevention and dealing with bullying amongst pupils</p>	<p>High</p>	<p>Risk of child being harmed in the school by a member of school personnel Risk of child being harmed in the school by another child Risk of harm due to bullying of child Risk of harm due to inadequate supervision of children in school Risk of harm due to inadequate code of behaviour Risk of harm caused by member of school personnel communicating with pupils in appropriate manner via social media, texting, digital device or other manner Risk of harm caused by member of school personnel accessing/circulating inappropriate material via social media, texting, digital device or other manner</p>	<p>The school implements in full the Stay Safe Programme The school implements in full the SPHE curriculum The school has an Anti-Bullying Policy which fully adheres to the requirements of the Department's Anti-Bullying Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools The school has a yard/playground supervision policy to ensure appropriate supervision of children during, assembly, dismissal and breaks and in respect of specific areas such as toilets, changing rooms etc. The school has a codes of conduct for school personnel (teaching and non-teaching staff) The school has in place an ICT policy in respect of usage of ICT by pupils The school has in place procedures in respect of usage of mobile phones by pupils</p>



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<p>Care of pupils with specific vulnerabilities/ needs such as</p> <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 	High	<p>Risk of harm not being recognised by school personnel Risk of child being harmed in the school by another child Risk of harm due to bullying of child</p>	<p>All school personnel are provided with a copy of the school's Child Safeguarding Statement The school implements in full the Stay Safe Programme The school implements in full the SPHE curriculum The school has an Anti-Bullying Policy which fully adheres to the requirements of the Department's Anti-Bullying Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools The school has a yard/playground supervision policy to ensure appropriate supervision of children during, assembly, dismissal and breaks and in respect of specific areas such as toilets, changing rooms etc. The school has a codes of conduct for school personnel (teaching and non-teaching staff) The school has a Special Educational Needs policy The school has an intimate care policy/plan in respect of students who require such care The school has in place a policy and procedures for the administration of medication to pupils The school has in place an ICT policy in respect of usage of ICT by pupils</p>
<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 	High	<p>Risk of harm not being recognised by school personnel Risk of harm not being reported properly and promptly by school personnel Risk of child being harmed in the school by a member of school personnel</p>	<p>The school adheres to the requirements of the Garda vetting legislation and relevant DES circulars in relation to recruitment and Garda vetting The school – Has provided each member of school staff with a copy of the school's Child Safeguarding Statement Ensures all new staff are provided with a copy of the school's Child Safeguarding Statement Encourages staff to avail of relevant training Encourages board of management members to avail of relevant training Maintains records of all staff and board member training The school has in place a policy and procedures for the administration of First Aid The school has in place procedures for the use of external persons to supplement delivery of the curriculum</p>



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visitors/contractors present during after school activities 			<p>The school has in place a policy and procedures for the use of external sports coaches</p> <p>The school has in place procedures in respect of students undertaking work experience in the school</p>
<p>Use of school premises by other organisation during school day</p>	<p>Med</p>	<p>Risk of harm not being recognised by school personnel</p> <p>Risk of child being harmed in the school by volunteer or visitor to the school</p> <p>Risk of harm due to inadequate supervision of children in school</p>	<p>All school personnel are provided with a copy of the school's Child Safeguarding Statement</p> <p>The school has a Health and Safety Policy</p> <p>The school has in place procedures for the use of external persons to supplement delivery of the curriculum</p> <p>The school has in place a policy and procedures for the use of external sports coaches</p>
<p>Use of Information and Communication Technology by pupils in school</p>	<p>High</p>	<p>Risk of harm due to bullying of child</p> <p>Risk of harm caused by member of school personnel communicating with pupils in appropriate manner via social media, texting, digital device or other manner</p> <p>Risk of harm caused by member of school personnel accessing/circulating inappropriate material via social media, texting, digital device or other manner</p>	<p>The school implements in full the Stay Safe Programme</p> <p>The school implements in full the SPHE curriculum</p> <p>The school has an Anti-Bullying Policy which fully adheres to the requirements of the Department's Anti-Bullying Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools</p> <p>The school has in place a code of behaviour for pupils</p> <p>The school has in place an ICT policy in respect of usage of ICT by pupils</p> <p>The school has in place procedures in respect of usage of mobile phones by pupils</p>
<p>Application of sanctions under the school's Code of Behaviour including detention of pupils, confiscation of phones etc.</p>	<p>Med</p>	<p>Risk of harm due to inadequate code of behaviour</p>	<p>The school has an Anti-Bullying Policy which fully adheres to the requirements of the Department's Anti-Bullying Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools</p> <p>The school has a Health and Safety Policy</p> <p>The school has in place a code of behaviour for pupils</p> <p>The school has in place an ICT policy in respect of usage of ICT by pupils</p> <p>The school has in place procedures in respect of usage of mobile phones by pupils</p>



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Student teachers undertaking training placement in school	High	Risk of harm not being recognised by school personnel Risk of child being harmed in the school by volunteer or visitor to the school	All school personnel are provided with a copy of the school's Child Safeguarding Statement The school adheres to the requirements of the Garda vetting legislation and relevant DES circulars in relation to recruitment and Garda vetting The school has in place procedures in respect of student teacher placements
Use of video/photography/other media to record school events	High	Risk of harm not being recognised by school personnel Risk of harm caused by member of school personnel communicating with pupils in appropriate manner via social media, texting, digital device or other manner Risk of harm caused by member of school personnel accessing/circulating inappropriate material via social media, texting, digital device or other manner	All school personnel are provided with a copy of the school's Child Safeguarding Statement
After school use of school premises by other organisations	Med	Risk of harm not being recognised by school personnel	All school personnel are provided with a copy of the school's Child Safeguarding Statement The school has a Health and Safety Policy The school has in place procedures for the use of external persons to supplement delivery of the curriculum The school has in place a policy and procedures for the use of external sports coaches



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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 as at *6th March 2018*. It will be reviewed as part of the school's annual review of its Child Safeguarding Statement. It was reviewed and adopted at the Board of Management meeting of 3rd March 2020.

Peter Glynn

Chairperson, Board of Management

Joseph Carty

Principal / Secretary to the Board of Management

3rd March 2020