



Child Safeguarding Risk Assessment

Written Risk Assessment of St. Lassara's N. S.

In accordance with section 11 of the Children First Act 2015 and with the requirements of Chapter 8 of the *Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post Primary Schools (revised 2023)*, the following is the Written Risk Assessment of St. Lassara's N.S.

<i>List of School Activities</i>	<i>The School has identified the following Risk of Harm.</i>	<i>The School has the following Procedures in place to address risk identified in this assessment.</i>
Training of school personnel in Child Protection matters. Recruitment of new staff.	Harm not recognised or properly or promptly reported.	The school adheres to the requirements of the Garda vetting legislation and relevant DES circulars in relation to recruitment and Garda vetting. All school personnel are provided with a copy of the school's Child Safeguarding Statement. The <i>Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post Primary Schools (revised 2023)</i> are made available to all school personnel School Personnel are required to adhere to the <i>Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post Primary Schools (revised 2023)</i> and all registered teaching staff are required to adhere to the <i>Children First Act 2015</i> and its Addendum (2019) All staff to view Tusla training module & any other online training offered by PDST. BOM records all records of staff and Board training.
Curricular provision in respect of SPHE, RSE, Stay Safe	Non-teaching of same	School implements SPHE, RSE, Stay Safe in full.
Recreation breaks for pupils Toilet areas	Risk of inadequate supervision of children Inappropriate behaviour	The school has a yard/supervision policy to ensure appropriate supervision of children during, assembly, dismissal and breaks and in respect of specific areas such as toilets.
One to one teaching	Harm by school personnel	Door ajar, table between teacher and pupil, glass panel in the door
Managing of challenging behaviour	Injury to pupils and staff	Code of Behaviour, Health and Safety Policy
Students participating in work experience	Harm by student	Policy in respect of students undertaking work experience in school.
Student teachers undertaking training placement in school.	Harm by student	Policy in respect of student teachers undertaking training placement in school.
External personnel to supplement curriculum and/or support sports and extra-curricular activities.	Harm to pupils	Teacher present at all times. The school adheres to the requirements of the Garda vetting legislation.
School/sports outings Use of off-site facilities for sporting activities	Inadequate supervision of pupils while attending out of school activities.	School has a policy and clear procedures in respect of school outings.
Prevention and dealing with bullying amongst pupils Care of pupils with specific vulnerabilities/needs.	Harm due to bullying Harm by another child	Code of Behaviour Anti-Bullying Policy
Use of Information and Communication Technology by pupils in school Volunteers/Parents	Inappropriately accessing/using computers in school. Harm to pupils	ICT policy in respect of usage of ICT by pupils. The school adheres to the requirements of the Garda vetting legislation.
Remote learning using IT	Inappropriate content	Staff to ensure that appropriate filters are in place on own IT system or resources and links recommended. All online learning tools and systems that staff use should be in line with privacy standards, data protection and GDPR requirements.

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*

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 19/9/2023. It shall be reviewed as part of the school's annual review of its Child Safeguarding Statement.

Signed _____ Date _____
Fr. Martin Convey
Chairperson, Board of Management

Signed _____ Date _____
Aodán Brennan
Principal/Secretary to the Board of Management