



Written Assessment of Risk of Two Mile Community National School

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 Two Mile Community National School.

1. List of school activities

Daily arrival and dismissal of pupils.
Recreation breaks for pupils.
Classroom teaching.
Extra-curricular activities (e.g.) Religious Education Classes and Music.
School trips.
Sports Day.
Prevention of and dealing with bullying.
In-service training of staff in curricular areas.
In-service training of staff in child protection matters.
Students from colleges participating in work placement in the school.
Use of cameras to record school events.
Participation in events/shows in other schools.

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

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 school by school personnel.
Risk of child being harmed by another child.
Risk of child being harmed in school by a 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 or extra-curricular activities, (e.g.) school trip, swimming.
Risk of harm due to bullying of child.
Risk of harm due to inadequate supervision of children in school.

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

All school personnel are provided with a copy of the school's Child Safeguarding Policy.

The Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools 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 teachers 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.

The school has an anti-bullying policy and fully adheres to the requirements of the DES Anti-Bullying Procedures for Primary and Post Primary Schools.

The school has a Health and Safety Policy.

The school adheres to the requirements of the Garda vetting legislation and relevant DES circulars in relation to recruitment and Garda vetting.

The school complies with the agreed disciplinary procedures for teaching staff.

The school has provided each member of staff with a copy of the Safeguarding Statement.

The school has provided all teachers of extra-curricular activities with a copy of the Safeguarding Statement.

The school ensures that all new staff are provided with a copy of the Safeguarding Statement.

The school encourages all staff to avail of relevant training.

The school maintains records of all staff and board member training.

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 29th April 2020. 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