ST. DAVID'S NATIONAL SCHOOL
Safeguarding Risk Assessment
(of any potential harm)

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
COVID-19 Virus	High	Harm to pupils and staff through illness	Cleaning regime in line with HSE / Government guidelines Constant hand washing and sanitizing Social distancing where possible between pupils COVID-19 Response Plan in operation
Training of school personnel in Child Protection matters	High	Harm not recognised or reported promptly	Child Safeguarding Statement & DES procedures made available to all staff DLP& DDLP to attend PDST face to face training All Staff to view training module & any other online training offered by PDST BOM records all records of staff and board training
One to one teaching	High	Harm by school personnel	School has policy in place for one to one teaching Glass panel in door Parents sign a permission slip for one to one teaching
Care of Children with special needs, including intimate care needs	High	Harm by school personnel	Policy on intimate care - reviewed
Toilet areas > Classroom > Toilets in hallway	High	Inappropriate behaviour	Yard supervision policy – to be revised Yard Rules Blue/Pink Peg system to be introduced
Curricular Provision in respect of SPHE, RSE, Stay safe.	Med	Non-teaching of same	School implements SPHE, RSE, Stay Safe in full
LGBT Children/Pupils perceived to be LGBT	Low	Bullying	Anti-Bullying Policy Code of Behaviour
Daily arrival and dismissal of pupils	Med	Harm from older pupils, Unknown adults on the school grounds	Arrival and dismissal supervised by Teachers Policy to be formulated

Managing of challenging behaviour amongst pupils, including appropriate use of restraint	High	Injury to pupils and staff	Restraint Policy – formulated Health & Safety Policy Code Of Behaviour
Sports Coaches/Parent Volunteers	Med	Harm to pupils	Garda vetting of coaches/volunteers Teacher always accompanies the class/group
Students participating in work experience	Low	Harm by student	Students over 16 must be Garda vetted Child Safeguarding Statement.
Recreation breaks for pupils	High	Harm from other pupils Bullying	Yard supervision rota Yard supervision policy Procedures for wet play days
Classroom teaching	Med	Harm not recognised or reported promptly Harm by school personnel Harm by pupils	All teachers are Garda vetted and have registered with the Teaching Council Child Safeguarding Statement & DES procedures made available to all staff DLP& DDLP to attend PDST face to face training All Staff to view online training offered by PDST
Outdoor teaching activities	Med	Harm by school personnel Harm by pupils Flight risk	All teachers are Garda vetted and have registered with the Teaching Council Child Safeguarding Statement & DES procedures made available to all staff DLP& DDLP to attend PDST face to face training All Staff to view online training offered by PDST Adequate supervision
Sporting Activities	Med	Harm not recognised or reported promptly Harm by coaching staff Harm by pupils	All teachers and parent volunteers are Garda vetted Adequate supervision

After Schools Club	Med	Harm not recognised or reported promptly Harm by leader/teacher Harm by pupils	All teachers and helpers are Garda vetted Outside organisations must have a child safeguarding statement in line with Children First. Two adults must be present during Afterschool activities
School outings	Med	Harm by school personnel Harm by outside personnel Harm by pupils	All teachers are Garda vetted and have registered with the Teaching Council Child Safeguarding Statement & DES procedures made available to all staff All chosen venues must have a child safeguarding statement Extra supervision if necessary
School trips involving overnight stay	High	Inappropriate behaviour Bullying Harm by Pupils Harm by outside personnel	All staff/volunteers are Garda vetted Separate sleeping facilities for boys and girls Adequate supervision All chosen venues must have a child safeguarding statement Clear rules – No access to ICT
Annual Sports Day	High	Flight risk of pupils Harm by outside adults	Extra personnel required All helpers are Garda vetted Risk has been identified. Boundaries need to be clearly identified before the event
Use of off-site facilities for school activities e.g. swimming, basketball matches	High	Harm by outside personnel	All teachers are Garda vetted and have registered with the Teaching Council Child Safeguarding Statement & DES procedures made available to all staff Adequate supervision
School transport arrangements	High	Harm to pupils Bullying Unsupervised access of phones/devices	Anti-Bullying Policy ICT Acceptable Use Policy Code of Behaviour Copy of Bus Companies Child Safeguarding statements Up to date list of contact numbers

Administration of Medicine Administration of First Aid	Med	Harm to pupils	Administration of medicines policy First Aid training provided to staff First Aid Rota
Prevention and dealing with bullying amongst pupils	Med	Bullying of pupils by pupils	Anti-Bullying Policy Code of Behaviour Regular staff training in Anti bullying Provision of information talks on Cyber Bullying for Parents and pupils ICT Acceptable Use Policy
Use of external personnel to supplement curriculum	Low	Harm to pupils Harm not recognised or properly or promptly reported	Sign a statutory declaration Class teacher will always be present in the classroom External personnel involved in regular teaching must be Garda vetted
Recruitment of school personnel including - • 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 • Visitors/contractors present during after school activities		Harm not recognised or properly or promptly reported	Child Safeguarding Statement & DES procedures made available to all staff Staff to view training offered by PDST Vetting Procedures Policy of Parents / Volunteers Policy on Contractors/ Visitors - to be formulated

Student teachers undertaking training placement in school	Low		Garda Vetted Copy of Safeguarding Statement
Use of video/photography/other media to record school events	Low		Acceptable use of ICT policy

After school use of school premises by other organisations	Low		Policy in place

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 *[insert date].* It willl be reviewed as part of the school's annual review of its Child Safeguarding Statement.

Signed _____ Date 25-09-2020

Chairperson, Board of Management

Signed Mary Tyrrell Date 16-09-2020

Principal/Secretary to the Board of Management