

## Written Assessment of Risk of Carron 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 Carron National School

<b>List of School Activities</b>	<b>Risk Level</b>	<b>The School has identified the following risk of harm in respect of its activities.</b>	<b>The school has the following procedures in place to address the risks of harm identified in this assessment -</b>
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 Túsla training module & any other online training offered by PDST  BOM records all records of staff and board training
One to one teaching	Med	Harm by school personnel	School has policy in place for one to one teaching Open doors Table between teacher and pupil Glass in window
Care of Children with special needs, including intimate care needs	High	Harm by school personnel	Policy on intimate care
Toilet areas	High	Inappropriate behaviour	Usage and supervision policy
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	Low	Harm from older pupils, unknown adults on the playground	Arrival and dismissal supervised by Teachers
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Managing of challenging behaviour amongst pupils, including appropriate use of restraint	Low	Injury to pupils and staff	Restraint Policy – will put in place if necessary Health & Safety Policy Code Of Behaviour
Sports Coaches	Low	Harm to pupils	Policy & Procedures in place Teacher in attendance Garda Vetting mandatory
Students participating in work experience	Low	Harm by student	Work experience Policy Child Safeguarding Statement. As for sports coaches
Recreation breaks for pupils	Low	Harm to pupils	Supervised breaks
Classroom teaching	Low	Emotional/physical abuse	Code of behaviour Staff are garda vetted
Outdoor teaching activities	Low	Harm to pupils	Supervision by teachers Garda vetting for all personnel
Sporting Activities	Med	Harm to pupils	Supervision by garda vetted personnel and teachers
School outings	Med	Harm to pupils	As above
Use of toilet areas in school	Low	Harm to pupils	Code of Behaviour Teacher supervision and awareness of children using facilities

Annual Sports Day	Med	Child Wandering off alone	Supervision timetable in place and followed All personnel garda vetted/ School Code of Behaviour
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Fundraising events involving pupils	Low	Harm to pupils	Parental responsibility outside of school hours Activity will be contained in clearly outlined area of school.
Use of off-site facilities for school activities	Low	Harm to pupils	Teacher supervision at pool and changing area Parent supervision of dressing room. Policy – teachers do not help to change children,
School transport arrangements	Low	Harm to children	Volunteer drivers garda vetted. Drivers will not drive a lone child in their car unless it is their own child.
Administration of Medicine	Low	Harm to pupils	Policy regarding administration of medication
Administration of First Aid	Low	Harm to pupils	Code of Behaviour Supervision
Prevention and dealing with bullying amongst pupils	Low	Harm to pupils	School Climate and Atmosphere Code of Behaviour Anti-bullying policy
Training of school personnel in child protection matters	Low	Harm to pupils/ Lack of knowledge in recognising and reporting abuse.	PDST and Tusla training mandatory for staff
Use of external personnel to supplement curriculum	Low	Harm to pupils	Supervision by teachers Garda Vetted personnel

<p>Care of pupils with specific vulnerabilities/ needs such as</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pupils from ethnic minorities/migrants</li> <li>• Members of the Traveller community</li> <li>• Lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender (LGBT) children</li> <li>• Pupils perceived to be LGBT</li> <li>• Pupils of minority religious faiths</li> <li>• Children in care</li> <li>• Children on CPNS</li> </ul>	Low	Harm to pupils	<p>Anti-bullying policies  SPHE programme  Relationships and Sexuality programme</p>
Use of school premises by other organisation during school day	N/a		To be reviewed if necessary
Use of Information and Communication Technology by pupils in school	Low	Bullying Accessing inappropriate materials	<p>ICT policy  Acceptable use policy  Anti-Bullying Policy  Code of Behaviour  Supervision of children</p>
Use of video/photography/other media to record school events	Low	Harm to pupils Dissemination of photo's without consent on social media.	<p>Policy on use of photos for social media.  Reminder to be issued to parents.</p>
After school use of school premises by other organisations	Low	Harm to children	Garda Vetting 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..... It will be reviewed as part of the school's annual review of its Child Safeguarding Statement.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Chairperson of BoM [       ]

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Principal/Secretary to the BoM [       ]