# St. Patrick’s NS Risk Assessment

COVID-19 Risk Assessment (List identifies COVID-19 as the hazard and outlines control measures required to deal with this risk)

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| COVID-19 | N | Illness | H | School Covid19 Response Plan in place in line with Department of Education guidance and the Return to Work Safely Protocol and public health advice |  | Follow public health guidance from HSE re hygiene and respiratory etiquette and cleaning  All cleaning will be undertaken in line with DES and public health guidance.  Surgical and cotton face masks will be provided to all staff and are available for optional use. If a mask gets wet it must be changed. Masks are not to be worn when going into the toilet. Gloves are not required generally within the workplace for infection prevention and control purposes according to current guidance. Due to the risks associated with the usage of gloves, the Board of Management will not be providing gloves to staff for general use.  Pocket hand sanitisers will be provided to all teachers and SNAs.  A 2 metre distanced must be maintained where possible between all staff members.  Complete School COVID-19 Policy Statement  Return to Work Forms received and reviewed  Induction Training provided  Cleaning staff will be trained in the new cleaning arrangements for the school.  No child is allowed to use or touch the outside bins. No food wrappers/food related items are to be taken out on yard by children. Outside bins will need to be wiped down where touched after each use.  All mobile equipment/machinery e.g. net book trolley, ipad boxes, PE mats trolley must be thoroughly cleaned and sanitised after use.  Contact log in place  Complete checklists as required:  School Management  How to deal with a suspected case. (If an area has been heavily contaminated, such as with visible bodily fluids, from a person with corona virus (Covid-19) consider using protection for the eyes, mouth and nose, as well as wearing gloves and apron.)  Other school specific checklist  Office: Max two people in the office at all time  Photocopier: only one person at a time  Corridor: no congregating of  staff members. If essential must maintain social distancing (2m) | **Board of Management**  **Principal**  **Staff** |  |
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| COVID-19 | N | Illness | H |  |  | Staff room: max 5 staff members at a time. Must wipe down area after eating.  No congregating of parents, contractors and visitors in/around school grounds and surrounding areas  The BOM will ensure the safety and wellbeing of all visitors to the school premises.  Visits to the school will be severely restricted and visitors will be asked to:   * Make a prior appointment before visiting the school. * Remain at home if they have any Covid-19 symptoms * Follow the agreed Covid-19 protocols for the school   Ensure that all delivery transactions comply with physical distancing requirements.  Yard equipment is kept in the class bubble and cleaned weekly but if visibly dirty cleaned that day  Outdoor toilet: to be used by infants only. Each toilet assigned to one class.  Assembly: no group assembly. Rev Tim to visit individual class bands once a month on a weekly basis | **Board of ManagementPrincipal**  **Staff**  **Parents**  **Visitors**  **Contractors**  **Delivery personnel**  **Rev. Tim and Staff** |  |
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If there is one or more High Risk (H) actions needed, then the risk of injury could be high and immediate action should be taken. Medium Risk (M) actions should be dealt with as soon as possible. Low Risk (L) actions should be dealt with as soon as practicable.

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