



Holy Family Senior National School

COVID -19 Risk Assessment

August 2020

| Risks | Risk Assessment | Control Measures | Responsible Staff Member | Reviewed |
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| Classroom | Medium | Social distancing rules | Class teacher | August 2020 |
| Classroom art materials | Medium | Paint brushes assigned to each pupil and equipment to each pod | Class teacher | August 2020 |
| Classroom stationery | Medium | Every child has their own personal stationery | Class teacher | August 2020 |
| Playground | High | Staggered breaks Social distancing | Teachers SNAs | August 2020 |
| Playground First-Aid | High | Social distancing guidelines are NOT to be followed. Staff to wear appropriate PPE. | Teachers SNAs | 2020 |

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| Playground Sudden illness | High | Take the pupil to the designated isolation space for COVID-19 suspected illness Inform the parents | Teachers SNAs | August 2020 |
| Aggressive or violent behaviour on the playground | Low | Observe social distancing guidelines | Teachers | August 2020 |
| Are there students with disabilities including physical disability, vision impairment, hearing impairment, intellectual disability or mental health condition? | Medium | The suitability of the task is risk assessed. Ensure students understand teacher's instruction. Ensure access/egress is not restricted | Teachers SNAs | August 2020 |

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| Are there students whose first language is not English and who may require extra focus with respect to safety, health and welfare? | Medium | Ensure students understand teacher's instruction. Place signage in appropriate locations as directed by teacher | Teachers SNAs | August 2020 |
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| Are there students with challenging behaviour that could increase the potential for injury to occur? | Medium | Develop a school policy for handling challenging behaviour | Principal | August 2020 |
| Students with temporary illness or a chronic medical condition | High | The child in question will be taken to the Covid-19 isolation space and parents informed | All Staff | August 2020 |

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| Restricted access/egress | Medium | School emergency evacuation plan has been developed which covers all areas, processes and identifies those people who may be at risk | All Staff | August 2020 |
| Person/s on the premises without the knowledge of principal or other staff member | High | Ensure that all entrance doors to the school are closed and locked and visitors must communicate with the secretary | Principal and Secretary | August 2020 |
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| Students being picked up by another parent/ guardian/ designated person | High | Establish a protocol whereby parents/ guardians inform the school if another person is to collect student other than designated | All Staff | August 2020 |

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| <p>Unsuitable layout of Workstation</p> | <p>High</p> | <p>Workstations within classrooms are arranged accordingly to adhere to social distancing</p> | <p>All Staff</p> | <p>August 2020</p> |
| <p>Stress and effects of physical and mental health</p> | <p>High</p> | <p>Employee's and Children's serious health and safety concerns about their work environment are addressed. Focus on wellbeing, Mental Health and SPHE. Wellbeing Survey of Children and Staff. Staff informed of Employee Assistance Programme.</p> | <p>All Staff</p> | <p>August 2020</p> |
| <p>Contact with biological agents</p> | <p>High</p> | <p>If there is risk to exposure of a highly infectious agent, all members of the school community must take measures to avoid</p> | <p>All Staff</p> | <p>August 2020</p> |

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| | | exposure where possible. | | |
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| Working alone or in isolation | High | A Suitable means of communication is established with the lone worker, e.g. caretaker has mobile phone | Caretaker | August 2020 |
| Accidents or emergencies | High | Foreseeable events have been identified. Personal protective equipment (PPE) is provided where required | Principal | August 2020 |
| Overcrowding; inadequate access and egress | High | Establish and follow school agreed procedures on maximum size of audience, control of exits/entrances etc. following Covid-19 social distancing | Board of Management, Principal and all staff members | August 2020 |

| Extra-Curricular Activities | High | We will be following the HSE Covid-19 guidelines with regard to attending sporting and extra-curricular activities. As of today, the maximum outdoor allowed is 15. | All Staff | August 2020 |
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| Cleaning | High | We will be following the HSE Covid-19 Deep Cleaning guidelines before the Return of Work date. Extra hours for cleaning each week. Caretaker checks classroom supplies and cleans common touch areas once during school day. Staff responsible for their own work stations. | B.O.M. Rapiere Cleaners All staff | August 2020 |

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| Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) | High | PPE is provided to each staff member on the return to work due to Covid-19 | Principal | August 2020 |
| Ride On Lawnmower/ Pressure Washer/Strimmer | Medium | Equipment to be cleaned and sanitised after each use | Caretaker | August 2020 |
| Staffroom | High | Sanitisation of hands on entry. Social distancing of 2 metres to be maintained. Tables and chairs to be sanitised after use. Use your own utensils. Sterilise hands on exit. | All Staff | August 2020 |
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| PE Equipment | High | <p>PE equipment is to be cleaned on a regular basis, e.g,after use .</p> <p>Children sanitise their hands on entry to PE hall and wash their hands after use</p> | <p>B.O.M.</p> <p>All teachers</p> | August 2020 |
| Administering personal medication | High | <p>Use gloves, an apron and a mask when administering personal medication and dispose of it appropriately.</p> <p>Social Distancing of 2 metres not to be maintained</p> | All Staff | August 2020 |
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