



Child Safeguarding Statement St Mary's Voluntary Catholic Co-educational Secondary School Newport.

St. Mary's is a co-educational secondary school that offers a varied and wide ranging curriculum. The school is structured and geared to providing educational facilities suited to the needs, interests and range of abilities of its students.

In accordance with the requirements of the Children First Act 2015, Children First: National Guidance for the Protection and Welfare of Children 2017, the Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post Primary Schools 2017 and Tusla Guidance on the preparation of Child Safeguarding Statements, the Board of Management of St Mary's Secondary School Newport has agreed the Child Safeguarding Statement set out in this document.

- 1 The Board of Management has adopted and will implement fully and without modification the Department's Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post Primary Schools 2017 as part of this overall Child Safeguarding Statement
- 2 The Designated Liaison Person (DLP) is Principal Kevin Cusack
- 3 The Deputy Designated Liaison Person (Deputy DLP) is Deputy Principal Danny O Callaghan.
- 4 The Board of Management recognises that child protection and welfare considerations permeate all aspects of school life and must be reflected in all of the school's policies, procedures, practices and activities in its policies, procedures, practices and activities, the school will adhere to the following principles of best practice in child protection and welfare:
The school will:

- recognise that the protection and welfare of children is of paramount importance, regardless of all other considerations;
- fully comply with its statutory obligations under the Children First Act 2015 and other relevant legislation relating to the protection and welfare of children;
- fully co-operate with the relevant statutory authorities in relation to child protection and welfare matters
- adopt safe practices to minimise the possibility of harm or accidents happening to children and protect workers from the necessity to take unnecessary risks that may leave themselves open to accusations of abuse or neglect;
- develop a practice of openness with parents and encourage parental involvement in the education of their children; and
- fully respect confidentiality requirements in dealing with child protection matters.

The school will also adhere to the above principles in relation to any adult pupil with a special vulnerability.

5 The following procedures/measures are in place:

- In relation to any member of staff who is the subject of any investigation (howsoever described) in respect of any act, omission or circumstance in respect of a child attending the school, the school adheres to the relevant procedures set out in Chapter 7 of the Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools 2017 and to the relevant agreed disciplinary procedures for school staff which are published on the DES website.
- In relation to the selection or recruitment of staff and their suitability to work with children, the school adheres to the statutory vetting requirements of the National Vetting Bureau (Children and Vulnerable Persons) Acts 2012 to 2016 and to the wider duty of care guidance set out in relevant Garda vetting and recruitment circulars published by the DES and available on the DES website.
- In relation to the provision of information and, where necessary, instruction and training, to staff in respect of the identification of the occurrence of harm (as defined in the 2015 Act) the school-
 - Has provided each member of staff with a copy of the school's Child Safeguarding Statement
 - Ensures all new staff are provided with a copy of the school's Child Safeguarding Statement
 - Encourages staff to avail of relevant training
 - Encourages Board of Management members to avail of relevant training
 - The Board of Management maintains records of all staff and Board member training
- In relation to reporting of child protection concerns to Tusla, all school personnel are required to adhere to the procedures set out in the Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools 2017, including in the case of registered teachers, those in relation to mandated reporting under the Children First Act 2015.
- In this school the Board has appointed the above named DLP as the "relevant person" (as defined in the Children First Act 2015) to be the first point of contact in respect of the child safeguarding statement.
- All registered teachers employed by the school are mandated persons under the Children First Act 2015.
- In accordance with the Children First Act 2015, the Board has carried out an assessment of any potential for harm to a child while attending the school or participating in school activities. A written assessment setting out the areas of risk identified and the school's procedures for managing those risks is attached as an appendix to these procedures.
- The various procedures referred to in this Statement can be accessed via school office or the DES website.

6 This statement has been published on the school's website and has been provided to all members of school personnel, the Parents' Association and the patron. It is readily accessible to parents and guardians on request. A copy of this Statement will be made available to Túsla and the Department if requested.

7 This Child Safeguarding Statement will be reviewed annually or as soon as practicable after there has been a material change in any matter to which this statement refers.

This Child Safeguarding Statement was adopted by the Board of Management on 11/4/18.
2018

Signed: TOM EARLE

Chairperson of Board of Management

Signed: KEVIN COSACK

Principal/Secretary to the Board of Management

Date: 11/4/2018

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St Mary's Voluntary Catholic Co-educational Secondary School

Newport

Checklist for Review of the Child Safeguarding Statement

The *Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools 2017* require the Board of Management must undertake a review of its Child Safeguarding Statement and that the following checklist shall be used for this purpose. The review must be completed every year or as soon as practicable after there has been a material change in any matter to which the Child Safeguarding Statement refers. Undertaking an annual review will also ensure that a school also meets its statutory obligation under section 11(8) of the Children First Act 2015, to review its Child Safeguarding Statement every two years.

The checklist is designed as an aid to conducting this review and is not intended as an exhaustive list of the issues to be considered. Individual Boards of Management shall include other items in the checklist that are of relevance to the school in question.

As part of the overall review process, Boards of Management should also assess relevant school policies, procedures, practices and activities vis-à-vis their adherence to the principles of best practice in child protection and welfare as set out in the school's Child Safeguarding Statement, the Children First Act 2015 and the *Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools 2017*.

	Yes/No
1. Has the Board formally adopted a Child Safeguarding Statement in accordance with the 'Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post Primary Schools 2017'?	
2. As part of the school's Child Safeguarding Statement, has the Board formally adopted, without modification, the 'Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post Primary Schools 2017'?	
3. Does the school's Child Safeguarding Statement include a written assessment of risk as required under the Children First Act 2015?	
4. Has the Board reviewed and updated where necessary the written assessment of risk as part of this overall review?	
5. Has the DLP attended available child protection training?	
6. Has the Deputy DLP attended available child protection training?	
7. Have any members of the Board attended child protection training?	
8. Are there both a DLP and a Deputy DLP currently appointed?	
9. Are the relevant contact details (Tusla and An Garda Síochána) to hand?	
10. Has the Board arrangements in place to communicate the school's Child Safeguarding Statement to new school personnel?	
11. Is the Board satisfied that all school personnel have been made aware of their responsibilities under the 'Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post Primary Schools 2017' and the Children First Act 2015?	
12. Has the Board received a Principal's Child Protection Oversight Report at each Board meeting held since the last review was undertaken?	

	Yes/No
13. Since the Board's last review, was the Board informed of any child protection reports made to Tusla/An Garda Síochána by the DLP?	
14. Since the Board's last review, was the Board informed of any cases where the DLP sought advice from Tusla/and as a result of this advice, no report to the HSE was made?	
15. Since the Board's last review, was the Board informed of any cases where an allegation of abuse or neglect was made against any member of school personnel?	
16. Has the Board been provided with and reviewed all documents relevant to the Principal's Child Protection Oversight Report?	
17. Is the Board satisfied that the child protection procedures in relation to the making of reports to Tusla/An Garda Síochána were appropriately followed in each case reviewed?	
18. Is the Board satisfied that, since the last review, all appropriate actions are being or have been taken in respect of any member of school personnel against whom an allegation of abuse or neglect has been made?*	
19. Were child protection matters reported to the Board appropriately recorded in the Board minutes?	
20. Is the Board satisfied that all records relating to child protection are appropriately filed and stored securely?	
21. Has the Board been notified by any parent in relation to that parent not receiving the standard notification required under section 5.6 of the 'Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post Primary Schools 2017'?	
22. In relation to any cases identified at question 21 above, has the Board ensured that any notifications required section 5.6 of the 'Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post Primary Schools 2017' were subsequently issued by the DLP?	
23. Has the Board ensured that the Parents' Association (if any), has been provided with the school's Child Safeguarding Statement?	
24. Has the Board ensured that the patron has been provided with the school's Child Safeguarding Statement?	
25. Has the Board ensured that the school's Child Safeguarding Statement is available to parents on request?	
26. Has the Board ensured that the Stay Safe programme is implemented in full in the school? (applies to primary schools)	
27. Has the Board ensured that the Wellbeing Programme for Junior Cycle students is implemented in full in the school? (applies to post- primary schools)	
28. Has the Board ensured that the SPHE curriculum is implemented in full in the school?	
29. Is the Board satisfied that the statutory requirements for Garda Vetting have been met in respect of all school personnel (employees and volunteers)? *	
30. Is the Board satisfied that the Department's requirements in relation to the provision of a child protection related statutory declaration and associated form of undertaking have been met in respect of persons appointed to teaching and non-teaching positions?*	
31. Is the Board satisfied that, from a child protection perspective, thorough recruitment and selection procedures are applied by the school in relation to all school personnel (employees and volunteers)?*	
32. Has the Board considered and addressed any complaints or suggestions for improvements regarding the school's Child Safeguarding Statement?	
33. Has the Board sought the feedback of parents in relation to the school's compliance with the requirements of the child safeguarding requirements of the 'Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post Primary Schools 2017'?	
34. Has the Board sought the feedback of pupils in relation to the school's child safeguarding arrangements?	
35. Is the Board satisfied that the 'Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post Primary Schools 2017' are being fully and adequately implemented by the school?	
36. Has the Board identified any aspects of the school's Child Safeguarding Statement and/or its implementation that require further improvement?	

	Yes/No
37. Has the Board put in place an action plan containing appropriate timelines to address those aspects of the school's Child Safeguarding Statement and/or its implementation that have been identified as requiring further improvement ?	
38. Has the Board ensured that any areas for improvement that were identified in any previous review of the school's Child Safeguarding Statement have been adequately addressed?	

Signed _____ Date _____

Chairperson, Board of Management

Signed _____ Date _____

Principal/Secretary to the Board of Management



Child Safeguarding Risk Assessment – St Mary's Catholic Co-educational Secondary School Newport.

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 St Mary's Newport.

1. List of school activities

- Daily arrival and dismissal of pupils
- Recreation breaks for pupils
- Classroom teaching
- One-to-one teaching
- One-to-one counselling
- Outdoor teaching activities
- Sporting Activities
- School outings
- School trips involving overnight stay
- School trips involving foreign travel
- Use of toilet/changing areas in the school
- Annual Sports Day
- Fundraising events involving pupils
- Use of off-site facilities for school activities
- School transport arrangements
- Care of children with special educational needs, including intimate care where needed
- Care of any vulnerable adult students
- Management of challenging behaviour amongst pupils
- Administration of Medicine
- Administration of First Aid
- Curricular provision in respect of SPHE, RSE
- Prevention and dealing with bullying amongst pupils
- Training of school personnel in child protection matters
- Use of external personnel to supplement curriculum
- Use of external personnel to support sports and other extra-curricular activities
- Care of pupils with specific vulnerabilities/ needs such as
 - Pupils from ethnic minorities/migrants
 - Members of the Traveller community
 - Lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender (LGBT) children
 - Pupils perceived to be LGBT
 - Pupils of minority religious faiths
 - Children in care
 - Children on CPNS

Notification regarding the Board of Management's review of the Child Safeguarding Statement

To:

The Board of Management of St Mary's Secondary School Newport wishes to inform you that:

- The Board of Management's annual review of the school's Child Safeguarding Statement was completed at the Board meeting of _____
- This review was conducted in accordance with the "Checklist for Review of the Child Safeguarding Statement" published on the Department's website www.education.ie

Signed _____ Date _____

Chairperson, Board of Management

Signed _____ Date _____

Principal/Secretary to the Board of Management

- 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
- Use of Information and Communication Technology by pupils in school
- Application of sanctions under the school's Code of Behaviour including detention of pupils, confiscation of phones etc.
- Students participating in work experience in the school
- Students from the school participating in work experience elsewhere
- Student teachers undertaking training placement in school
- Use of video/photography/other media to record school events
- After school use of school premises by other organisations
- Use of school premises by other organisation during school day
- Breakfast club
- Homework club/evening study

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 the school by a member of school personnel
- Risk of child being harmed in the school by another child
- Risk of child being harmed in the school by 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 activities e.g. school trip, swimming lessons
- Risk of harm due to bullying of child
- Risk of harm due to inadequate supervision of children in school
- Risk of harm due to inadequate supervision of children while attending out of school activities
- Risk of harm due to inappropriate relationship/communications between child and another child or adult
- Risk of harm due to children inappropriately accessing/using computers, social media, phones and other devices while at school
- Risk of harm to children with SEN who have particular vulnerabilities
- Risk of harm to child while a child is receiving intimate care
- Risk of harm due to inadequate code of behaviour
- Risk of harm in one-to-one teaching, counselling, coaching situation
- Risk of harm caused by member of school personnel communicating with pupils in appropriate manner via social media, texting, digital device or other manner

- Risk of harm caused by member of school personnel accessing/circulating inappropriate material via social media, texting, digital device or other manner

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 Statement*
- The *Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools 2017* are made available for all school personnel
- School Personnel are required to adhere to the *Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools 2017* and all registered teaching staff are required to adhere to the *Children First Act 2015*
- The school implements in full the SPHE curriculum
- The school implements in full the Wellbeing Programme at Junior Cycle
- The school has an Anti-Bullying Policy which fully adheres to the requirements of the Department's *Anti-Bullying Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools*
- *The school has a yard/playground supervision policy to ensure appropriate supervision of children during, assembly, dismissal and breaks and in respect of specific areas such as toilets, changing rooms etc.*
- *The school has in place a policy and clear procedures in respect of school outings*
- The school has a Health and safety statement
- The school adheres to the requirements of the Garda vetting legislation and relevant DES circulars in relation to recruitment and Garda vetting
- The school has a code of conduct for school personnel (Teaching Council Code of Conduct; TETB Dignity in the Workplace)
- The school complies with the agreed disciplinary procedures for teaching staff
- The school has a Special Educational Needs policy
- *The school has in place a policy and procedures for the administration of medication to pupils*
- The school –
 - Has provided each member of school staff with a copy of the school's Child Safeguarding Statement
 - Ensures all new staff are provided with a copy of the school's Child Safeguarding Statement
 - Encourages staff to avail of relevant training
 - Encourages board of management members to avail of relevant training
 - Maintains records of all staff and board member training
- *The school has in place a policy and procedures for the administration of First Aid*
- The school has in place a code of behaviour for pupils
- The school has in place an ICT policy in respect of usage of ICT by pupils
- The school has in place a mobile phone policy in respect of usage of mobile phones by pupils
- The school has in place a draft Critical Incident Management Plan

- *The school has in place procedures for the use of external persons to supplement delivery of the curriculum*
- *The school has in place clear procedures for one-to-one teaching activities*
- *The school has in place a procedure for one-to-one counselling*
- *The school has in place procedures in respect of student teacher placements*
- *The school has in place procedures in respect of students undertaking work experience in the school*
- *The school has in place a policy and procedures in respect of pupils of the school undertaking work experience in external organisations*

The above items given in italics need to be developed for St Mary'. Once complete, these will be adopted by the Board.

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

Signed TOM EARLE Date 11/4/2018

Chairperson, Board of Management

Signed KEVIN CUSACK Date 11/4/2018

Principal/Secretary to the Board of Management

	Activity	Risk Identified	Procedure in Place to manage the risk
1	Daily arrival and dismissal of students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of harm due to inadequate supervision of students entering and leaving school. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The school will communicate annually with parents/guardians re arrival and dismissal of students. ▪ The school ensures appropriate supervision of students for daily arrival and dismissal of students within available resources
2	Recreation breaks for students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of harm due to inadequate supervision of students in school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The school ensures appropriate supervision of students during breaks.
3	Classroom teaching	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of student being harmed in the school by a member of school personnel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ School personnel are expected to adhere to the Teaching Council's Code of Conduct.
4	Outdoor teaching activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of student being harmed by a member of school personnel ▪ Risk of harm due to inadequate supervision of students in school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ School personnel are expected to adhere to the Teaching Council's Code of Conduct.
5	One-to-one teaching	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of harm in one-to-one teaching situation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>The school has in place procedures for one-to-one meetings with students</i>

6	One-to-one counselling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of harm in one-to-one counselling situation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>The school has in place procedures for one-to-one meetings with students</i>
7	Sporting Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of student being harmed by a member of school personnel ▪ Risk of harm due to inadequate supervision of students while attending out of school activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ School personnel are expected to adhere to the Teaching Council's Code of Conduct.
8	Homework club/evening study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of student being harmed in the school by a member of school personnel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ School personnel are expected to adhere to the Teaching Council's Code of Conduct.
9	School outings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of student being harmed by a member of school personnel, a member of staff of another organisation or other person while student participating in out of school activities ▪ Risk of harm due to inadequate supervision of students while attending out of school activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The school has in place a policy and clear procedures in respect of school outings.
10	School trips involving overnight stay	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of student being harmed by a member of 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The school has in place a policy and clear procedures in respect of school outings.

		<p>school personnel, a member of staff of another organisation or other person while student participating in out of school activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of harm due to inadequate supervision of students while attending out of school activities 	
11	School trips involving foreign travel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of student being harmed by a member of school personnel, a member of staff of another organisation or other person while student participating in out of school activities ▪ Risk of harm due to inadequate supervision of students while attending out of school activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>The school has in place a policy and clear procedures in respect of school outings.</i>
12	Use of toilet/changing areas in schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of student being harmed in the school by another student 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>The school has a PE Policy in respect of changing rooms.</i>

13	Use of off-site facilities for school activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of student being harmed by a member of school personnel, a member of staff of another organisation or other person while student participating in out of school activities ▪ Risk of harm due to inadequate supervision of students while attending an off-site facility 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ School personnel are expected to adhere to the Teaching Council's Code of Conduct.
14	School transport arrangements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of student being harmed by a member of school personnel, a member of staff of another organisation or other person while student is travelling to/from a school activity. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ School personnel are expected to adhere to the Teaching Council's Code of Conduct.
15	Prevention and dealing with bullying amongst students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of harm due to bullying of student 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The school has an Anti-Bullying Policy which fully adheres to the requirements of the Department's <i>Anti-Bullying Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools</i>
16	Management of challenging behaviour amongst students, including appropriate use of	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of student being harmed in the school by a member of school personnel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The school has in place a code of behaviour for students (no restraint policy)

	restraint where required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of student being harmed in the school by another student 	
17	Application of sanctions under the school's Code of Behaviour including detention of students, confiscation of phones etc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of harm due to inadequate code of behaviour 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The school has in place a code of behaviour for students ▪ The school has in place a mobile phone policy in respect of usage of mobile phones by students
18	Care of students with special educational needs, including intimate care where needed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of harm to students with SEN who have particular vulnerabilities ▪ Risk of harm to student while a student is receiving intimate care 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The school has a Special Educational Needs policy. ▪ The school does not have at present students enrolled who require intimate care. When this arises a policy/plan in respect of students who require such care will have to be drawn up
19	Care of students with specific vulnerabilities/ needs including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Students from ethnic minorities/migrants ▪ Members of the Traveller community ▪ Lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender (LGBT) students and students perceived to be LGBT 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of student being harmed in the school by a member of school personnel ▪ Risk of student being harmed in the school by another student 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The school has an Anti-Bullying Policy which fully adheres to the requirements of the Department's <i>Anti-Bullying Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools</i>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Students of minority religious faiths ▪ Children in care ▪ Children on CPNS 		
20	Administration of Medicine		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>The school has in place procedures for the administration of medication to students</i>
21	Administration of First Aid		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>The school has in place procedures for the administration of First Aid</i>
22	Curricular provision in respect of SPHE, RSE		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The school implements in full the SPHE curriculum ▪ The school has an RSE Policy ▪ The school implements in full the Wellbeing Programme at Junior Cycle
23	Participation by students in religious ceremonies/religious instruction external to the school		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The school has a Religious Education Plan
24	Use of Information and Communication Technology by students in school	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of harm due to students inappropriately accessing/using computers, social media, phones and other devices while at school 	<p>The school has in place a mobile phone policy in respect of usage of mobile phones by students</p> <p>The school has in place an ICT policy in respect of usage of ICT by students</p>
25	Students participating in work experience in the school		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>The school has in place procedures in respect of students undertaking work experience in the school</i>
26	Students from the school participating in work experience elsewhere	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of student being harmed by a member of staff of another organisation or other person while student 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>The school has in place procedures in respect of students of the school undertaking work experience in external organisations</i>

		participating in work experience	
27	Recruitment of school personnel including - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teachers SNAs Admin staff Caretaker Cleaners 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Risk of student being harmed in the school by a member of school personnel who has not been Garda Vetted 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Board of Management St Mary's adheres to the requirements of the Garda vetting legislation and relevant DES circulars in relation to recruitment and Garda vetting The <i>Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools 2017</i> are made available to all school personnel. All new staff are provided with a copy of the school's Student Safeguarding Statement The school encourages staff to avail of relevant training
28	Use of external personnel to supplement curriculum and / or support sports and other extra-curricular activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sports coaches External Tutors/Guest Speakers Volunteers/Parents in school activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Risk of student being harmed in the school by volunteer or visitor to the school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>The school has in place a Visiting Speakers Policy for the use of external persons to supplement delivery of the curriculum</i> Parents/Guardians who volunteer are required to undergo Garda Vetting through the JMB.
29	Fundraising events involving students		
30	Use of video/photography/other media to record / at school events		
31	Use of student images for PR purposes		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opt-in / out questions on the school enrolment form for parents/guardians to indicate preferences re student images.
32	Student teachers undertaking training		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>The school has in place a policy and procedures in respect of student teacher placements</i>

	placement in school		
33	After school use of school premises by other organisations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of student being harmed in the school by a visitor to the school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The school has a document regarding terms and conditions of the use of the school's Sports Hall and requires insurance and child protection details to be in place by the visiting organisation.
34	Use of school premises by other organisations during school day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of student being harmed in the school a visitor to the school 	N/A
35	Non-curricular related visitors / contractors present in school during school hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of student being harmed in the school by a visitor/contractor to the school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The school has a Health and Safety policy.
36	Non-curricular related visitors / contractors present during after school activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of student being harmed in the school by a visitor/contractor to the school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The school has a Health and Safety policy.
37	Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of harm not being recognised by school personnel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ School Personnel are required to adhere to the <i>Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools 2017</i> and all registered teaching staff are required to adhere to the <i>Children First Act 2015</i>. ▪ The school has provided each member of school staff with a copy of the school's Student Safeguarding Statement ▪ The school encourages staff to avail of relevant training
38	Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of harm not being reported properly and promptly by school personnel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ School Personnel are required to adhere to the <i>Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools 2017</i> and all registered teaching staff are required to adhere to the <i>Children First Act 2015</i>. ▪ The school has provided each member of school staff with a copy of the school's Student Safeguarding Statement ▪ The school encourages staff to avail of relevant training

39	Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Risk of harm caused by member of school personnel communicating with students in appropriate manner via social media, texting, digital device or other manner ▪ Risk of harm caused by member of school personnel accessing/circulating inappropriate material via social media, texting, digital device or other manner 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ School Personnel are required to adhere to the <i>Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools 2017</i> and all registered teaching staff are required to adhere to the <i>Children First Act 2015</i>. ▪ The school has provided each member of school staff with a copy of the school's Student Safeguarding Statement ▪ School personnel are expected to adhere to the Teaching Council's Code of Conduct. ▪ The school complies with the agreed disciplinary procedures for teaching staff.
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The above items given in italics need to be developed for St Mary'. Once complete, these will be adopted by the Board.