

Presentation Secondary School Listowel

Co. Kerry



CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

Date of policy adoption

This Policy was ratified by the Board of Management of Presentation Secondary School, Listowel

Signed Shane O'Donoghue - Date 1/10/2024
Chairperson, Board of Management

Child Protection Policy

Of

Presentation Secondary School, Listowel, Co. Kerry

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, practices and activities. Accordingly, in accordance with the requirements of the Department of Education and Skills' Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post Primary Schools, the Board of Management of Presentation Secondary School, Listowel, Co. Kerry has agreed the following child protection policy:

1. The Board of Management has adopted and will implement fully and without notifications the Department's Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post Primary Schools as part of this overall child protection policy.
2. The Designated Liaison Person (DLP) is Ms Katherina Broderick
3. The Deputy Designated Liaison Person (Deputy DLP) is Ms Marguerite Linnane
4. In its policies, practices and activities Presentation Secondary School Listowel 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 are of paramount importance, regardless of all other considerations;
- 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. List of Policies, Practices and activities particularly relevant to Child Protection

Policies	Child Protection Policy
	Anti- Bullying Policy
	Admissions Policy
	Code of Behaviour
	Dignity in the Workplace
	Acceptable Use Policy

Activities Child Protection Policy applies to all school activities. Examples of school activities are as follows:

Sporting Events, school outings, work experience, drama

Afterschool Study

Yard supervision is provided from 8.30am to 9.00am during the morning breaks, at lunch time and from 4.00 – 4.30pm

Practices it is practice in the school that all staff – teaching and non teaching, are aware of the importance of child protection and of the necessity to uphold and implement the Child Protection Policy of Presentation Secondary School, Listowel, Co. Kerry

6. This policy has been made available to school personnel and the Parents' Association and is readily accessible to parents on request. A copy of this policy will be made available to the Department and the patron if requested.
7. This policy will be reviewed by the Board of Management once in every school year.

This policy was adopted by the Board of Management on October 1st 2024

Signed: Shane O'Driscoll Signed: K. O'Driscoll
Chairperson Principal