

Covid Risk Assessment



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Covid-19 Risk Assessment

Covid-19 is a new illness that can affect a person's lungs and airways. It is caused by a virus called Coronavirus. Symptoms can be mild, moderate, severe, or fatal.

Legislation under the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act 2005 requires health surveillance to be carried out based on risk assessment. Employers are required to undertake a risk assessment with regard to Covid-19 and potential workplace exposure where the nature of work poses an occupational exposure health risk to Covid-19.

This risk assessment is designed to identify suitable control measures to mitigate the risk of Covid-19 infection. Risk assessments need to be regularly reviewed and updated and be based on the current best practice in relation to infection prevention and control.

What is the risk? Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus

Key Challenge: A key challenge for schools during this pandemic is to balance the need for a practical and sensible level of caution with the need to provide a supportive environment for students/students and where teachers feel able to engage with students in a way that supports their learning.

Transmission: Being a respiratory virus, Covid-19 is transmitted through respiratory droplets, with person-to-person contact appearing to be the main method of transmission. The virus can also survive on contaminated surfaces, possibly for up to several days. Both symptomatic and asymptomatic transmission (when a person is displaying no symptoms) occurs.

Vaccination: There are no vaccines available to date.

Who Might be harmed? Trustees, Board of Management, Principal, Deputy Principal, Teachers, Staff, Students, Visitors, Contractors, Parents/Guardians.

Covid-19 - Primary Symptoms: Fever (higher temperature than 38 degrees C. (100.4 degrees F.) - Cough which can be any kind of cough, not just a dry cough - shortness of breath or breathing difficulties - loss of smell, of taste or distortion of taste.

Human Health Risk: mild, moderate, severe, or fatal. Older adults, or those with underlying medical conditions appear to be at a higher risk of developing more serious complications from Covid-19 illness.

This Risk Assessment has been prepared in response to the emerging risks associated with Covid-19 pandemic.

Note: Staff, parents/guardians, and students (as age appropriate) should understand the benefits and risks of education and social interaction and that it is not possible to guarantee that infection can be prevented in any setting either in an education centre, at home or in any other setting where people interact with other people.

Updated Risk Assessment to minimise the risk of being exposed to Covid-19

This process involved consultation with all school staff.

Methodology used for hazard identification and control.

In line of the requirements of Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act 2005 (section 19) it is the policy of the Board of Management in Coláiste Nano Nagle to address significant hazards and risks in the workplace, to assess the risks to safety, health, and welfare and to control these risks as far as is reasonably practicable.

The Board of Management is committed to the ongoing identification of hazards, the assessment of the appropriate risks and the introduction of controls to deal with them. In addition, staff members are involved and participate in safety, health and welfare issues within the school and are encouraged to identify and report any potential hazards that may exist and to ensure that a risk assessment is carried out.

This revised Risk Assessment includes all relevant updates and necessary control measures to minimise the risk of staff and others being exposed to Covid-19 and these will be incorporated into the Safety Statement for Coláiste Nano Nagle in line with requirements of section 20 of the 2005 Act.

It is envisaged that additional reviews will be undertaken on a regular basis and in line with Government and public health advice to ensure that all information remains accurate, that controls are appropriate and where necessary risks are reassessed.

A **hazard** is anything with the potential to cause harm to the safety, health or welfare of staff, students, visitors, and contractors – a wet or slippery floor, an unguarded machine, stressful work, a blocked entrance, hazardous chemicals etc. Hazards may be classified as physical, chemical, biological, environmental, or human.

A **risk** is the likelihood that someone will be harmed by a hazard and the severity of that harm.

Control measures:

A control measure is an applied measure that reduces the level of risk. Control measures can be applied at the planning stage, can comprise physical measures, can be management issues and can include training. Good control measures will require a combination of some or all of these.

Control measure principles:

Schedule 3 of the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act 2005 lists the Principles of Prevention and the Board of Management undertakes to apply these principles (where practicable) in dealing with all risks within the school:

- Avoidance of risks.
- Evaluation of unavoidable risks.
- Combating of risks at source.
- Adaptation of work to the individual.
- Adaptation of workplace to technical progress.
- Replacement of dangerous articles, substances, or systems of work by safe or less dangerous articles, substances or systems of work
- Priority to collective protective measures over individual protective measures.
- Development of an adequate prevention policy which takes account of technology, organisation of work, working conditions, social factors and the influence of factors relating to the working environment.
- Appropriate training and instructions to employees.

When the safety audit identifies hazards, it is necessary to evaluate and rank them so that they can be controlled in an orderly way. The risk of a hazard is a measure of the likelihood or probability of an accident coupled with the severity of the injury or loss. The risk potential of each hazard was assessed (by ranking) by giving numerical values of between 1 and 5 to both the **severity** of the consequences and the **probability** of the event occurring. When the severity numerical factor and the probability numerical factor were multiplied together, they produced a number between 1 and 25 thereby producing the numerical values outlined in **risk rating** chart below.

Severity x Probability = Risk Rating

Severity

Severity Rating	Interpretation	Numerical Value
Fatality or Catastrophic	Single or multiple fatalities, widespread illness, large scale property or equipment damage	5
Major	Serious injury or illness, significant property or equipment damage	4
Moderate	Injury and damage to property	3
Minor	Minor injury or illness, minor property or equipment damage	2
Trivial	No significant injury or illness, no significant property or equipment damage	1

Probability/Likelihood

Probability Rating	Interpretation	Numerical Value
Inevitable	Likely to occur either immediately or in the short term	5
Very Likely	Could occur in time or if repeated enough	4
Likely	Likely to occur	3
Unlikely	Though unlikely, may occur over time	2
Rare	Unlikely to occur at all	1

Risk Rating

Numerical Value Severity x Probability	Descriptive risk rating	Interpretation
16 – 25	<p style="text-align: center;">Emergency –Extremely serious, (ES)</p> <p>If an incident were to occur, it would be likely that a permanent, debilitating injury or death would result.</p>	<p>Risks are unacceptable and immediate action required justifying special maintenance. Activity should be halted and stopped until the hazard is eliminated, or appropriate risk controls are put in place.</p>
11 – 15	<p style="text-align: center;">Severe and Serious (H- High)</p> <p>If an incident were to occur, it would be likely that an injury requiring medical treatment would result.</p>	<p>Activity can proceed but substantial efforts should be made to reduce the risk. Risk reduction measures should be implemented urgently within a defined time and it might be necessary to consider suspending or restricting the activity or to apply interim control measures until this has been completed.</p>
6 – 10	<p style="text-align: center;">Medium (M- Medium)</p> <p>If an incident were to occur, there would be some chance that an injury requiring First Aid treatment would result.</p>	<p>Activity can proceed but consideration should be given as to whether the risks can be lowered. Control measures must be monitored and reviewed as required to ensure they remain suitable and sufficient.</p>
1 – 5	<p style="text-align: center;">Trivial or Negligible (N- Negligible)</p> <p>If an incident were to occur, there would be little likelihood that an injury would result.</p>	<p>No additional controls are necessary as these risks are considered acceptable. Activity should be regularly reviewed to ensure there is no change to the risk rating and that controls are maintained.</p>

***Note:** A numerical rating has been used in column 4 of the risk assessment sheets to describe the risk potential for the hazard identified This method has been used in an attempt to ensure that the levels of risk will be understood and clear to all those operating within the school.

Who may be affected?	Identified Risks	Risk Communication, Education and Training Controls	Risk Rating with controls	Action implementation
Staff	<p>Spread of Covid-19 virus</p> <p>Persons currently deemed most at risk of complications if they catch the coronavirus are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 60 years of age and over • have long-term medical conditions – i.e. heart disease, lung disease, high blood pressure, diabetes or cancer • pregnant women <p>Known effects of the coronavirus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A fever (high temperature of 37.5 degrees Celsius or above) • A cough - this can be any kind of cough, not just a dry cough • Shortness of breath or breathing difficulties • Loss of sense of smell • Loss of sense of taste or distortion of sense of taste • Death 	<p>The Board of Management has developed a Covid school response plan for the prevention and mitigation of Covid-19 following a risk assessment of the school facility. This plan highlights the measures necessary to protect the health and safety of staff in re-opening.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The staff will be consulted regarding the action plan for the prevention and mitigation of Covid-19 within the school and all staff will be informed about the measures being introduced. - There will be a heightened awareness by staff, parents/guardians and students (age appropriate) on how to protect themselves and each other as well as how to recognise and report symptoms of COVID-19 infection. - Communication of risks to teachers, staff, students, parents / guardians. - Advice to teachers, staff, students, parents / guardians of the need to stay at home if showing symptoms of Covid-19 or if in contact with others with symptoms of Covid-19. - Appointment of Covid-19 Lead Worker representatives. - Appointment of Covid-19 Manager. - School staff were encouraged to download the HSE COVID-19 tracker app to assist Public Health for contract tracing purposes both in and out of the school setting. <p>The Board of Management will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Implement a Covid-19 Policy and Response Plan. - Ensure that all staff receive the necessary training provided by the DES prior to returning to work. - Display posters and information to increase awareness of Covid-19 among staff and pupils from the DES. - Facilitate Covid-19 Induction training for all staff. (All staff watched the DES Post Primary Induction Video before returning to school along with onsite training). - Ensure all students complete Covid-19 Induction Training. (completed). - Promote safe individual practices within the school e.g. regular handwashing, respiratory hygiene and social distancing between staff. - Engage with staff in providing feedback on the preventive measures and their effectiveness. - Provide regular information – through the LWR- about the risk of Covid-19 using official sources, such as government agencies (HSE, HSA, etc.) and the World Health Organisation. - Emphasise the effectiveness of adopting protective measures -especially good personal hygiene. - Provide direction on where to find information on the proper use of PPE for staff, where required. - Ensure provision of Covid-19 presentations for staff, students, parents and guardians. 	<p>N</p> <p>Negligible</p> <p>2x1=2</p> <p>N</p> <p>Negligible</p> <p>2x1=2</p>	<p>Board of Management Principal Staff</p>

- Promote awareness of COVID-19 and it's symptoms among staff, parents/guardians and students with age appropriate posters, email/text communications.

Risk Level Calculation

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 (c) Risk Rating = (a) X (b)

Risk Level Action

- 1-5 Trivial risk Acceptable
 6-10 Medium risk Requires monitoring
 11-15 Severe risk Requires immediate further action and control
 16-25 Emergency risk Halt activity and review immediately

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	<p>Staff displaying any symptoms of Covid-19 or other acute infectious disease are to contact their doctor and follow all HSE guidance. Any Staff Member displaying symptoms must self-isolate and not attend school for 14 days. Any staff member living with someone who is self-isolating or waiting for a Covid-19 test must restrict their movements for 14 days. In such instances staff are advised to consult and follow latest Government advice in relation to foreign travel. Any Staff Member who has tested positive for Covid-19 must not return to work until deemed fit to do so and upon approval of their medical advisor. Staff can follow https://www2.hse.ie/ for regular updates or can contact HSELive for advice 1850 241850</p> <p>Any students that experience symptoms of Covid-19 or other acute infectious disease are to contact their doctor and follow all HSE guidance. They must not attend school.</p> <p>Staff are asked to cooperate with any public health personnel and their school for contact tracing purposes and follow any public health advice given in the event of a case or outbreak in their school. Staff are asked to undergo any COVID-19 testing that may be required in their school as part of mass or serial testing as advised by Public Health.</p>	<p>4x2=8 M Requires Monitoring</p>	<p>Principal Students</p>
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Who may be affected?	Identified Risks	<h2 style="text-align: center; color: yellow;">Hygiene</h2> <p style="text-align: center;">Controls</p>	Risk Rating with controls	Action implementation
<p>All staff Pupils Visitors Contractors Public</p>	<p>Spread of Covid-19 virus</p> <p>Persons currently deemed most at risk of complications if they catch the coronavirus are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 60 years of age and over • have long-term medical conditions – i.e. heart disease, lung disease, high blood pressure, diabetes or cancer • pregnant women <p>Known effects of the coronavirus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A fever (high temperature of 37.5 degrees Celsius or above) • A cough - this can be any kind of cough, not just a dry cough • Shortness of breath or breathing difficulties • Loss of sense of smell • Loss of sense of taste or distortion of sense of taste • Death 	<p>The Board of Management will ensure that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Appropriate signage in line with public health guidelines will be displayed throughout school facility (buildings and grounds). ✓ Appropriate social distancing markings are in place. ✓ Necessary PPE is available to staff. ✓ Standard cleaning and maintenance regimes are put in place and detailed records retained. ✓ Toilet facilities are cleaned regularly. ✓ Equipment sharing is minimised. Staff and pupils are encouraged not to share equipment. ✓ There is regular cleaning of frequently touched surfaces and that staff are provided with essential cleaning materials to keep their own work areas clean (for example wipes/disinfection products, paper towels and waste bins/bags). ✓ School equipment is cleaned regularly, and shared equipment is cleaned and disinfected between use by different people/pods/bubbles e.g. ipads, shared books, P.E. equipment. ✓ Covid compliant work areas (classrooms, other teaching spaces) to be available where social distancing guidelines can be applied. 	<p>1x1=1 Trivial N</p> <p>1x1=2 Trivial N</p> <p>3x2=6 Requires Monitoring M</p> <p>2x2=4 Trivial N</p> <p>2x2=4 Trivial N</p> <p>3x2=6 Requires Monitoring M</p> <p>3x2=6 Requires Monitoring M</p> <p>3x3=9 Requires Monitoring M</p> <p>3x3=9 Requires Monitoring M</p>	<p>Board of Management Principal Staff Visitors</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ A second staff room has been organised for staff in order to maintain social distancing. ✓ Hand sanitiser will be provided inside and outside of staffroom/staff toilet area. ✓ Bins are provided for disposal of waste materials (tissues, paper towels, wipes, etc.) and that adequate waste collection arrangements to be put in place to ensure they do not overflow. ✓ All waste collection points are emptied at the end of each day. ✓ Staff use gloves when removing rubbish bags or handling and disposing of any rubbish and they wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds afterwards. ✓ Students will all be provided with a waist bag to place hand sanitiser, face mask and tissues into it. ✓ There is a requirement for access to hand washing facilities after activities that are likely to soil hands, for example playing outside or certain sporting activities as hand sanitiser does not work on dirty hands. ✓ Alcohol-based sanitiser must not be stored or used near heat or naked flame. 	<p>2x2=4 Requires Monitoring N</p> <p>3x2=6 Requires Monitoring M</p> <p>3x2=6 Requires Monitoring M</p> <p>3x2=6 Requires Monitoring M</p> <p>3x2=6 Requires Monitoring M</p>	
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Who may be affected ?	Identified Risks	<h3 style="text-align: center;">Students with Special Educational needs</h3> <p style="text-align: center;">Controls</p>	Risk Rating with controls	Action implementation
Staff Students	<p>Spread of Covid-19 virus</p> <p>Persons currently deemed most at risk of complications if they catch the coronavirus are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 60 years of age and over • have long-term medical conditions – i.e. heart disease, lung disease, high blood pressure, diabetes or cancer • pregnant women <p>Known effects of the coronavirus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A fever (high temperature of 37.5 degrees Celsius or above) • A cough - this can be any kind of cough, not just a dry cough • Shortness of breath or breathing difficulties • Loss of sense of smell • Loss of sense of taste or distortion of sense of taste, Death 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Arrangements in place with parents/guardians regarding the necessity for highlighting awareness of signs, symptoms or changes which might suggest illness / Covid-19 infections to ensure students do not attend school where symptoms are present. - Teachers and staff awareness of the signs, symptoms or changes which might suggest illness / Covid-19 infections to ensure teachers do not attend school where symptoms are present. - Assistance with hand hygiene for students who may be unable to wash their hands themselves. - Cleaning student's aids and appliance and/ or medical equipment etc. - Teachers and staff using surgical facial masks and other required PPE equipment in circumstances where physical distancing is not possible. Face Visors used in certain limited situations. - Teachers and staff performing regular hand hygiene when working between different students. 	<p style="text-align: center;">3x2=6 Requires monitoring. M</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Board of Management Principal Administration staff All staff</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Board of Management Principal Administration staff All staff</p>
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✓ Prior to donning appropriate PPE, staff will wash/sanitise their hands thoroughly.

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Who may be affected?	Identified Risks	<p style="text-align: center;">Cleaning</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Controls</p>	Risk Rating with controls	Action implementation
Staff especially cleaning staff	<p>Spread of Covid-19 virus</p> <p>Persons currently deemed most at risk of complications if they catch the coronavirus are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 60 years of age and over • have long-term medical conditions – i.e. heart disease, lung disease, high blood pressure, diabetes or cancer • pregnant women <p>Known effects of the coronavirus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A fever (high temperature of 37.5 degrees Celsius or above) • A cough - this can be any kind of cough, not just a dry cough • Shortness of breath or breathing difficulties • Loss of sense of smell • Loss of sense of taste or distortion of sense of taste • Death 	<p>All cleaning will be undertaken in line with DES and public health guidance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Staff are responsible for cleaning personal items that have been brought to work and items handled at work or during breaks. Staff advised to clean personal items that they have to bring to work (e.g. mobile phones) upon entering the building and to avoid leaving them down on communal surfaces or they will need to clean the surface after the personal item is removed. ✓ Cleaning staff will be trained in the new cleaning arrangements for the school. ✓ Sufficient cleaning materials and PPE will be available to allow for increased cleaning. ✓ Cleaning staff will be instructed to wear gloves when cleaning and are aware of the need to wash their hands thoroughly with soap and water, both before and after wearing gloves. ✓ System in place for the disposal of cleaning cloths and used wipes in a rubbish bag Current HSE guidance recommends waste such as cleaning waste, tissues etc. from a person suspected of having Covid-19 should be double bagged and stored in a secure area for 72 hours before being presented for general waste collection. ✓ System in place to make sure reusable cleaning equipment including mop heads and non-disposable cloths are clean before re-use. ✓ System in place to ensure that equipment such as buckets are emptied and cleaned with a fresh solution of disinfectant before re-use. ✓ All cleaning protocols will be in place and staff must sign off on all duties at the end of each shift. 	<p style="text-align: center;">3x3=9 M</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Requires monitoring.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Board of Management Principal Staff</p>
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Who may be affected?	Identified Risks	Classroom & School Ergonomics		Risk Rating with controls	Action Implementation
		Controls			
All staff and Students	<p>Spread of Covid-19 virus</p> <p>Persons currently deemed most at risk of complications if they catch the coronavirus are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 60 years of age and over • have long-term medical conditions – i.e. heart disease, lung disease, high blood pressure, diabetes or cancer • pregnant women <p>Known effects of the coronavirus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A fever (high temperature of 37.5 degrees Celsius or above) • A cough - this can be any kind of cough, not just a dry cough • Shortness of breath or breathing difficulties • Loss of sense of smell • Loss of sense of taste or distortion of sense of taste • Death 	<p>The risk is of spread of infection exists in all interpersonal interactions such as staff-contractor, student-contractor, student-student, teacher -teacher, and teacher-student and is not limited to the classroom and requires to be managed in all settings within Coláiste Nano Nagle. This risk is mitigated through taking the following action in:</p> <p>Classrooms during teaching:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Students are required to go straight to their classroom at 8.45am. They are to stay in supervised areas between 8.15am and 8.45am. - Classroom space reconfigured to maximise physical distancing (where possible). - Rooms will have adequate ventilation. Doors/windows will be opened to allow air to circulate whenever feasible in accordance with the 'Practical Steps for the Deployment of Good Ventilation Practices in Schools' document. - Teacher's desk (where possible) to be placed at least 2 metres away from students' desks. - Where students need to move about within the classroom to perform activities (for example to access a shared resource) this is to be organised to the greatest extent possible to minimise congregation around the point of access to the shared resource. - Students and teachers are to refrain from sharing of personal items such as pens and other writing materials, tablets, and phones. - All teachers, other staff and students are to avoid behaviours that involve hand to mouth contact (putting pens/pencils in the mouth etc.) - Where teaching and learning involves use of keyboards or tablets the contact surfaces of the devices are required to be cleaned by user before use and when finished with the keyboard or device and hand hygiene encouraged. - In the event of sub-groups being required within a class for group work, to the greatest extent possible the same students will generally be in the same group, although movement between groups may be necessary in the event it is necessary to address tensions between students. - Sanitisation of shared equipment/ areas. - Cancelling of full year group assemblies within the school. - The sharing of educational material has been minimised as much as possible. - Classrooms have been reconfigured to maximise physical distancing. - Employees are required to clean and sanitise their workstations / areas at the commencement and at the termination periods of their working day / period / area including equipment, etc. 	<p>2x3 = 6</p> <p>M Requires monitoring</p>	<p>Board of Management Principal Deputy Principal Health and Safety Officer Staff Visitors</p> <p>Board of Management Principal Staff</p> <p>Principal Staff</p>	
				4x2=8	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All keyboards of computers have been fitted with covers to aid cleaning and prevent the spread of Covid-19. - Textbooks that are shared to be covered in a wipeable plastic covering that can be wiped with a suitable household cleaning agent between uses. - Partitions placed in library and gym to optimise facilities. - Library will now be used as a classroom. Former staff workroom has also been repurposed as a classroom. - Double desks in general classrooms have been removed and replaced by single desks and floor markings to ensure one metre distance. - Remote teaching learning facilities may be implemented in the event of a student(s) self-isolating at home (where applicable). - Remote teaching learning facilities may be implemented in the event of staff being required to work from home. - Students to wear PE uniform on PE day to prevent congregating in bathrooms. - <p>Specialised Classrooms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Students are encouraged to have their own equipment required for specialised subjects. - Shared electronics such as tablets, touch screens, keyboards are required to be cleaned before and after use in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. - Where practical each student will have their own dedicated schoolbooks. <p>Corridors and general areas where movement occurs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Morning and lunch breaks staggered. - Hand washing and/or sanitising is required when moving between classes by both teacher and students. - Students and Teachers required to maintain 2 metres physical distance within the school where possible. - When students must move to an elective subject they are required to move quickly into the new class and are required to be seated with members of their class cohort, observing as social distancing where possible. - Operating a one-way system within the school where possible. - Staff and students instructed to walk on the right-hand side of corridors to aid traffic flow and avoid contact with others where possible. Signage has been erected to facilitate this movement. - Informal gatherings on corridors / stairs / communal areas when entering, moving about, or exiting the school are prohibited. 	<p>M Requires Monitoring</p> <p>4x2=8 M Requires Monitoring</p> <p>4x3=12 Serious H</p>	<p>Principal Students</p>
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- Unnecessary gatherings of staff at the beginning and termination of the school's day are prohibited.
- Teachers and students are required to wear face masks in school where social distancing is not possible (Visors to be used in certain limited situations).
- Requirement to avoid gathering within the school at the beginning or end of the school day.
- Implementation of a 'No Hand shaking policy'.
- Canteen is closed at morning break and arrangements are in place for distribution of school lunches at lunch time to avoid congregations of students.
- Requirement for staff and students when passing another person in a corridor or stairwell that they are required to avoid any physical contact or participation in informal group discussions.
- In the event of a narrow corridor one person to use it at a time where possible
Walk on the right-hand side of corridors when moving around the school.
- Lockers removed to avoid students congregating.

Yard and outside areas

- Additional seating benches are being made for the red walk and raised area outdoors to allow for more outdoor seating.
- Students and Staff are required to adhere to relevant social distancing requirements when engaging or returning from break times.
- Students and Staff are required to perform hand hygiene before and after outdoor activities.
- Minimising the sharing of equipment and requiring its cleaning before and after use.

Lifts (Where applicable)

- Where practicable only one person to use lift at a time (unless user requires assistance).

School / Sporting Related activities

- Conducting an up-to-date risk assessment in relation to the particular activity (e.g. after school study, homework club) or sport so as to identify what additional measures are required to reduce / mitigate the risks.
- Gym rental is suspended.

Toilets

- Students are required to comply with social distancing regulations when using toilet facilities.

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Risk Level Action

1-5 Trivial risk Acceptable.
6-10 Medium risk Requires monitoring.
11-15 Severe risk Requires immediate further action and control.
16-25 Emergency risk Halt activity and review immediately.

Assessment Date: August, 2020

Assessor's Name

Who may be affected?	Identified Risks	Office and administration areas Controls	Risk Rating with controls	Action implementation
Staff	<p>Spread of Covid-19 virus</p> <p>Persons currently deemed most at risk of complications if they catch the coronavirus are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 60 years of age and over • have long-term medical conditions – i.e. heart disease, lung disease, high blood pressure, diabetes or cancer • pregnant women <p>Known effects of the coronavirus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A fever (high temperature of 37.5 degrees Celsius or above) • A cough - this can be any kind of cough, not just a dry cough • Shortness of breath or breathing difficulties • Loss of sense of smell • Loss of sense of taste or distortion of sense of taste • Death 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reception area is occupied by 1-2 secretaries in the school, the office space is large enough to allow for social distancing to be observed. Receptions are covered with a glass sliding window. Perspex sheeting which contains a hatch has also been installed. • Staff using the photocopier must sanitise it immediately after use. Products will be available beside the machine for this purpose. 	<p>3x2=6 M Requires monitoring</p> <p>3x2=6 M Requires monitoring</p>	<p>Board of Management Principal Administration staff All staff</p> <p>Board of Management Principal Administration staff All staff</p>
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Who may be affected?	Identified Risks	Hand Sanitiser Controls	Risk Rating with controls	Action implementation
Staff	<p>Risk of Hand sanitiser being ingested.</p> <p>Risk of slips or falls due to spillage of hand sanitisers at dispenser locations.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Students to be monitored to ensure that they do not accidentally ingest hand sanitisers – this risk is mitigated through the provision of instruction on effective hand hygiene technique to teachers, SNA, staff, contractors, and students. - Care will be taken to clean up any hand sanitiser spills to prevent risk of falls. 	<p>1x1=1 N</p> <p>3x2=6 M Requires monitoring.</p>	<p>Board of Management Principal Administration staff All staff</p> <p>Board of Management Principal Administration staff All staff</p>
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Who may be affected?	Identified Risks	<h3 style="text-align: center;">Visitors to the school</h3> <p style="text-align: center;">Controls</p>	Risk Rating with controls	Action implementation
Staff	<p>Spread of Covid-19 virus</p> <p>Persons currently deemed most at risk of complications if they catch the coronavirus are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 60 years of age and over • have long-term medical conditions – i.e. heart disease, lung disease, high blood pressure, diabetes or cancer • pregnant women <p>Known effects of the coronavirus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A fever (high temperature of 37.5 degrees Celsius or above) • A cough - this can be any kind of cough, not just a dry cough • Shortness of breath or breathing difficulties • Loss of sense of smell • Loss of sense of taste or distortion of sense of taste • Death 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Visitors to the school are not permitted without prior arrangement with a specific contact point (for example the school office) and are subject to the same controls that apply to staff, students and contractors entering the school. - Physical distancing of 2 metres to be maintained with visitors (where possible) - Visits are arranged to ensure that congregation of parents in waiting areas is avoided by invited them to remain in their car until the teacher is ready to meet them (as applicable). - Implementation of alternative means of communication other than face to face meetings. - Deliveries arranged, where possible, arranged between 8 am and 8.30 am. - Essential visitors/contractors are required to make an appointment prior to visiting the school. - All visitors must sign contract tracing log. - Perspex sheeting has been installed in reception hatches and offices. - All official business trips and face-to-face interactions been reduced to the absolute minimum. <p>The Board of Management will ensure the safety and wellbeing of all visitors to the school premises.</p> <p>Visits to the school will be severely restricted and visitors will be asked to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 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 ✓ Sanitise before entering the premises ✓ Attendance to be recorded on entry to building ✓ Wear PPE if instructed ✓ Adhere to social distancing requirements ✓ Not to loiter – complete their business and leave premises 	<p>3x2=6 M</p> <p>Requires monitoring</p>	<p>Board of Management Principal Administration staff All staff</p> <p>Board of Management Principal Administration staff All staff</p>
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Who may be affected?	Identified Risks	Use of PPE Controls	Risk Rating with controls	Action implementation
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		<p><i>*Face coverings must be always worn by all students apart from eating. Masks can be removed when outdoors if social distancing is adhered to.</i></p>	<p>3x3=9 M Requires monitoring</p>	
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<p>Staff (particularly SNAs, school secretaries and schoolbook rental co-ordinator)</p>	<p>Spread of Covid-19 virus</p> <p>Persons currently deemed most at risk of complications if they catch the coronavirus are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 60 years of age and over • have long-term medical conditions – i.e. heart disease, lung disease, high blood pressure, diabetes or cancer • pregnant women <p>Known effects of the coronavirus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A fever (high temperature of 37.5 degrees Celsius or above) • A cough - this can be any kind of cough, not just a dry cough • Shortness of breath or breathing difficulties • Loss of sense of smell • Loss of sense of taste or distortion of sense of taste • Death 	<p>When staff are involved in distribution of books or materials:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On distributing books to students – staff should maintain physical distancing (currently 2 metres). • Observe good hygiene (hand washing and respiratory etiquette, do not touch your eyes, nose, mouth with unwashed hands, etc.) before and after handling books and other materials returned to the school. • Follow the agreed school protocols if you are displaying symptoms of Covid-19. • Any books or other items (resource packs, computers, etc.) being returned to the school should be quarantined for 72 hours. Quarantining means placing these items in sealed boxes that are labelled with the time and date of the start of the 72-hour quarantine period. These boxes should be stored in a separate location away from active work areas within the school. • Following the expiry of the 72-hour quarantine period the items may be unboxed, cleaned and used. • Hands should be washed in line with relevant guidance. 	<p style="text-align: center;">3x2 =6 M</p> <p>Requires monitoring.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Board of Management Principal Staff</p>
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Who may be affected?	Identified Risks	Using hand tools or equipment		Risk Rating with controls	Action implementation
		Controls			
All staff	<p>Spread of Covid-19 virus</p> <p>Persons currently deemed most at risk of complications if they catch the coronavirus are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 60 years of age and over • have long-term medical conditions – i.e. heart disease, lung disease, high blood pressure, diabetes or cancer • pregnant women <p>Known effects of the coronavirus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A fever (high temperature of 37.5 degrees Celsius or above) • A cough - this can be any kind of cough, not just a dry cough • Shortness of breath or breathing difficulties • Loss of sense of smell • Loss of sense of taste or distortion of sense of taste • Death 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Staff must wear the appropriate PPE for the nature of the work that they are undertaking. ✓ All tools and equipment must be properly sanitised to prevent cross contamination. ✓ Arrangements should be put in place for one individual to use the same tool, equipment and machinery as far as is reasonably practicable. ✓ Cleaning material will be available so that all tools can be wiped down with disinfectant between each use. ✓ All mobile machinery (including lawnmowers) must be thoroughly cleaned and sanitised prior to use. 		<p>3x2 = 6 M</p> <p>Requires monitoring.</p>	<p>Board of Management Principal Staff</p>
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Who may be affected?	Identified Risks	Dealing with a suspected case of Covid-19 Controls	Risk Rating with controls	Action implementation
Staff Students Visitors Contractors	<p>Spread of Covid-19 virus</p> <p>Persons currently deemed most at risk of complications if they catch the coronavirus are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 60 years of age and over • have long-term medical conditions – i.e. heart disease, lung disease, high blood pressure, diabetes or cancer • pregnant women <p>Known effects of the coronavirus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A fever (high temperature of 37.5 degrees Celsius or above) • A cough - this can be any kind of cough, not just a dry cough • Shortness of breath or breathing difficulties • Loss of sense of smell • Loss of sense of taste or distortion of sense of taste • Death 	<p>The Board of Management will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Appoint an appropriate person for dealing with suspected cases, management. ✓ Designate the entrance to the isolation space. The designated area is easily accessible from all classrooms and is accessible by people with disabilities. In the case of needing a second isolation area the CCL isolation can be used if available. This space is also accessible to all. <p>If a person displays symptoms of Covid-19 the following procedure is to be implemented:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Isolate the person and take them immediately to the isolation area keeping at least 2 metres away from the symptomatic person and making sure that others maintain a distance of at least 2 metres from the symptomatic person at all times. ✓ Provide a PPE kit for the person presenting with symptoms. He/she should wear the mask if in a common area with other people or while exiting the premises. ✓ Assess whether the individual who is displaying symptoms can immediately be directed to go home and call their doctor and continue self-isolation at home. ✓ Facilitate the person presenting with symptoms remaining in isolation if they cannot immediately go home and facilitate them calling their doctor. The individual should avoid touching people, surfaces and objects. Advice should be given to the person presenting with symptoms to cover their mouth and nose with the disposable tissue provided when they cough or sneeze and put the tissue in the waste bag provided. 	<p>4x2=8 M Requires monitoring</p> <p>4x2=8 M Requires monitoring</p>	<p>Board of Management Principal Staff</p>
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		Controls			
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Staff Students Visitors	<p>Spread of Covid-19 virus</p> <p>Persons currently deemed most at risk of complications if they catch the coronavirus are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 60 years of age and over • have long-term medical conditions – i.e. heart disease, lung disease, high blood pressure, diabetes or cancer • pregnant women <p>Known effects of the coronavirus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A fever (high temperature of 37.5 degrees Celsius or above) • A cough - this can be any kind of cough, not just a dry cough • Shortness of breath or breathing difficulties • Loss of sense of smell • Loss of sense of taste or distortion of sense of taste • Death 	<p>All cleaning will be undertaken in line with DES and public health guidance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PPE will be worn while cleaning – e.g. masks, gloves, aprons. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ As recommended an area will be cleaned with normal household disinfectant after a suspected coronavirus (Covid-19) case. This will reduce the risk of passing the infection on to other people. ✓ The area will be kept closed and secure for 72 hours (if possible) for cleaning as the amount of virus living on surfaces will have reduced significantly by 72 hours. ✓ For cleaning purposes, wear a face mask, disposable or washing up gloves. These should be double-bagged, then stored securely for 72 hours and then put with the regular rubbish after cleaning is finished. ✓ Using a disposable cloth, first clean hard surfaces with warm soapy water. Then disinfect these surfaces with the cleaning products you normally use. Pay particular attention to frequently touched areas and surfaces, such as toilets, banisters on stairwells and door handles. ✓ If an area has been heavily contaminated, such as with visible bodily fluids, from a person with coronavirus (Covid-19) consider using protection for the eyes, mouth and nose, as well as wearing gloves and apron. ✓ Wash hands regularly with soap and water for 20 seconds and after removing gloves, aprons and other protection used while cleaning. ✓ Public areas where a symptomatic individual has passed through and spent minimal time, such as corridors, but which are not visibly contaminated with body fluids can be cleaned as normal. ✓ All surfaces that the symptomatic person has come into contact with must be cleaned and disinfected, including objects which are visibly contaminated with body fluids. ✓ Staff should follow all recommended guidelines where possible. 	<p>4x2=8 M</p> <p>Requires monitoring</p>	<p>Board of Management Principal Cleaning staff</p>
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Who may be affected?	Identified Risks	<p style="text-align: center;">Cleaning a space with a suspected/confirmed case of Covid-19</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Controls</p>	Risk Rating with controls	Action implementation
<p>Staff Students Visitors</p>	<p>Spread of Covid-19 virus</p> <p>Persons currently deemed most at risk of complications if they catch the coronavirus are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 60 years of age and over • have long-term medical conditions – i.e. heart disease, lung disease, high blood pressure, diabetes or cancer • pregnant women <p>Known effects of the coronavirus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A fever (high temperature of 37.5 degrees Celsius or above) • A cough - this can be any kind of cough, not just a dry cough • Shortness of breath or breathing difficulties • Loss of sense of smell • Loss of sense of taste or distortion of sense of taste • Death 	<p>All cleaning will be undertaken in line with DES and public health guidance.</p> <p>Use disposable cloths or paper roll and disposable mop heads to clean all hard surfaces, floors, chairs, door handles and sanitary fittings, using an approved and recognised detergent and disinfectant in line with the manufacturer's instructions for dilution, application and contact times.</p> <p>Disinfectants used should be effective against viruses.</p> <p>Additionally:</p> <p>Avoid creating splashes and spray when cleaning.</p> <p>Any cloths and mop heads used must be disposed of and should be put into waste bags as outlined below</p> <p>When items cannot be cleaned using detergents or laundered (upholstered furniture or mattresses for example) steam cleaning should be used.</p> <p>Any items that have been heavily contaminated with bodyfluids and that cannot be cleaned by washing should be disposed of.</p> <p>If possible, keep an area closed off and secure for 72 hours. After this time the amount of virus contamination will have decreased substantially, and cleaning can take place as normal.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Serious ES</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Requires monitoring</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Board of Management Principal Cleaning staff</p>
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<p align="center">Staff Students Visitors</p>	<p>Spread of Covid-19 virus</p> <p>Persons currently deemed most at risk of complications if they catch the coronavirus are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 60 years of age and over • have long-term medical conditions – i.e. heart disease, lung disease, high blood pressure, diabetes or cancer • pregnant women <p>Known effects of the coronavirus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A fever (high temperature of 37.5 degrees Celsius or above) • A cough - this can be any kind of cough, not just a dry cough • Shortness of breath or breathing difficulties • Loss of sense of smell • Loss of sense of taste or distortion of sense of taste • Death 	<p>Laundry</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Wash items in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions. Use the warmest water setting and dry items completely. Dirty laundry that has been in contact with an unwell person can be washed with other people’s items. Do not shake dirty laundry as this minimises the possibility of dispersing the virus through the air. ✓ Clean and disinfect anything used for transporting laundry with your usual products, in line with the cleaning guidance outlined above. <p>Waste Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Waste should be put in a plastic rubbish bag and tied when full. ✓ The plastic bag should then be placed in a second bin bag and tied. ✓ It should be put in a suitable and secure place and marked for storage until the individual’s test results are known. ✓ All waste should be stored safely and kept away from students. You should not put waste in communal waste areas until negative test results are known or the waste has been stored for at least 72 hours. ✓ If the individual tests negative, the waste can be put in with the normal waste. If the individual tests positive, then store it for at least 72 hours and put in with the normal waste. 	<p align="center">ES Serious</p> <p align="center">Requires monitoring</p>	<p align="center">Board of Management Principal Cleaning staff</p>
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Who may be affected?	Identified Risks	<h2 style="text-align: center;">Travel to and from work</h2> <p style="text-align: center;">Controls</p>	Risk Rating with controls	Action implementation
Staff	<p>Spread of Covid-19 virus</p> <p>Persons currently deemed most at risk of complications if they catch the coronavirus are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 60 years of age and over • have long-term medical conditions – i.e. heart disease, lung disease, high blood pressure, diabetes or cancer • pregnant women <p>Known effects of the coronavirus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A fever (high temperature of 37.5 degrees Celsius or above) • A cough - this can be any kind of cough, not just a dry cough • Shortness of breath or breathing difficulties • Loss of sense of smell • Loss of sense of taste or distortion of sense of taste • Death 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Where a staff member exhibits any signs of Covid-19 or has been exposed to a confirmed case <u>they should not travel to work.</u> • Wherever possible, staff should travel to work alone using their own means of transport – staff should not share transport to or from work. • If availing of public transport, sit down to minimise contact with frequently touched surfaces, handles, roofstraps, isolation bars, etc. Wear a face mask and carry hand sanitiser (at least 60% alcohol) and use it regularly throughout your journey. • Sanitise your hands after leaving your vehicle or public transport means. 	<p>4x2=8 M Requires monitoring</p> <p>Trivial N 3x1</p> <p>3x1=3 Trivial N</p> <p>3x1=3 Trivial N</p>	All staff
<p><u>Risk Level Calculation</u></p> <p>(a) Severity of risk/injury 1=trivial, 2=slight, 3=moderate, 4=major, 5=fatality</p> <p>(b) Likelihood of event 1=rare, 2=unlikely, 3=likely, 4=very likely, 5=inevitable</p> <p>(c) Risk Rating = (a) X (b)</p>		<p><u>Risk Level Action</u></p> <p>1-5 Trivial risk Acceptable.</p> <p>6-10 Medium risk Requires monitoring.</p> <p>11-15 Severe risk Requires immediate further action and control.</p> <p>16-25 Emergency risk Halt activity and review immediately.</p>		
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Who may be affected?	Identified Risks	Management of deliveries and supplies to school Controls	Risk Rating with controls	Action implementation
Staff Students Drivers Wider Community	Spread of Covid-19 virus Persons currently deemed most at risk of complications if they catch the coronavirus are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 60 years of age and over • have long-term medical conditions – i.e. heart disease, lung disease, high blood pressure, diabetes or cancer • pregnant women Known effects of the coronavirus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A fever (high temperature of 37.5 degrees Celsius or above) • A cough - this can be any kind of cough, not just a dry cough • Shortness of breath or breathing difficulties • Loss of sense of smell • Loss of sense of taste or distortion of sense of taste • Death 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All drivers to remain in their vehicle and to follow instructions to set down area. ▪ Ensure that all delivery transactions comply with physical distancing requirements. ▪ Agree a delivery protocol with suppliers. ▪ All deliveries to be planned with allocated times for collections and deliveries. ▪ Arrangements to be made for paperless deliveries. ▪ System to be agreed with suppliers to ensure reconciliations are accurate. ▪ Appropriate sanitising arrangements at set down areas (for materials and stock) and at access and egress points. 	Requires L monitoring	Board of Management Principal Staff Delivery personnel
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