

DERRYLATINEE
PRIMARY

ST FRANCIS
SCHOOL



***HEALTH & SAFETY
POLICY***

HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY STATEMENT

It is the Board of Governors' policy to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that staff and pupils are provided with safe and healthy conditions and to encourage a safety culture within our school. To assist in achieving these aims the Governors adopt the Council for Catholic Maintained Schools Health and Safety Policy.

The Principal, Mrs McNeice will carry out regular inspections and a report will be given to the Governors. Any areas of concern will be raised with the health and safety office at CCMS and SELB. The relevant policy file contains information on the following areas and can be inspected in school by appointment:

- **The Law**
- **Accident Prevention**
- **Incident Reporting**
- **Fire Safety**
- **First Aid**
- **Control of Substances Hazardous to Health**
- **Visual Display Units**
- **Portable Appliance Testing**
- **Management of Contractors**
- **Caretaking and Cleaning**
- **Risk Assessments**

OUR VISION

Derrylatinee St Francis Primary School is a learning community, which values the contribution it can make to the local environment. The staff and children strive to make our school a vibrant and stimulating environment. This approach teaches the children to value the world around them and to begin to understand the impact that they have on the world around them.

CHILDREN AND THE CURRICULUM

Our children are encouraged to keep our school and classes clean and children regularly patrol their environment (school and its environs) for litter.

The children are taught from Key Stage 1 the importance of conserving energy. Children are taught to close doors and turn off unnecessary lighting to conserve energy.

In years 1, 2 and 3, the children investigate the world at school and home. They investigate reusing materials in their art and craftwork.

Year 4 and 5 learn about the local environment, begin to discuss the impact of local industry on this world. The children continue to recycle locally and also investigate recycling paper products. They explore the concept of decay and pollution.

Year 6 and 7 investigate the effects of pollution globally, they study the plight of the rainforests and they explore the importance on weather, climate and pollution. They examine renewable and non-renewable energy. Children are in a local composting project. They participate in Council initiatives such as collecting yellow pages, and paper products for recycling. This participation teaches the children that they can have a positive impact on the conservation of our planet.

THE ROLE OF TEACHERS/GOVERNORS

Derrylatinee St Francis Primary School is an Eco-friendly school. Within our accommodation Teachers and Governors seek to promote opportunities for the conservation of energy, they recognise the importance of an attractive school environment and the selection of eco friendly sources of energy.

The curriculum is carefully planned to provide opportunities to participate in field studies of animals, mini beasts, plants and rivers. As a result the child can appreciate the value of the delicate balance of nature. Teachers raise awareness among children of environmental issues. We strive to educate the conservationists of the future.

THE FUTURE

Our new school building and school grounds offer the opportunity to further develop good practice in this area.

This policy will be reviewed on an ongoing basis.

Approved by Governors: February 2018

Date of Next review: December 2019

**Signed:
Mrs Mc Neice
Phelim Marrion**

**Designated Teacher
Principal
Chair of Board of Governors**