

Star of the Sea NS Covid- 19 Policy Statement

Star of the Sea NS is committed to providing a safe and healthy workplace for all our staff and students. To ensure that, the Board of Management have developed a Covid-19 Response Plan and updated the Safety Statement for the school. All staff and pupils are responsible for the implementation of the response plan and a combined effort will help contain the spread of the virus. The Board of Management will:

- continue to monitor our Covid-19 response and amend this plan in consultation with our staff, pupils and parents/guardians
- provide up to date information to our staff, pupils and parents/guardians on the Public Health advice issued by the HSE and Gov.ie
- display information on the signs and symptoms of Covid-19 and correct hand-washing techniques
- provide an adequate number of trained Worker Representative(s) who are easily identifiable and put in place a reporting system
- inform all staff and pupils of essential hygiene and respiratory etiquette and physical distancing requirements
- adapt the school to facilitate physical distancing as appropriate in line with guidance of the Department of Education and Skills
- keep a log of contact of staff and pupil engagement to help with contact tracing
- ensure staff and pupils engage with the online induction/familiarisation briefing provided by the Department of Education and Skills
- implement the agreed procedures to be followed in the event of someone showing symptoms of Covid-19 while at school
- provide instructions for staff and pupils to follow if they develop signs and symptoms of Covid-19 during school time in line with the procedures provided by the Department of Education and Skills
- implement cleaning in line with government advice and agreed checklists

All staff, pupils and parents/guardians will be consulted on an ongoing basis and feedback is encouraged on any concerns, issues or suggestions.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Chairperson, Board of Management

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Principal

