

St Columba's Catholic School
Health and Safety Policy
Adopted by the Board of Trustees 2016

Rationale:

In accordance with the Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992, the St Columba's Catholic School Board of Trustees recognizes that all persons located within the school environment have a right to go about their business within an environment that has addressed issues of health and safety.

Purpose:

1. To promote an awareness of health and safety issues to all involved and visiting school. Procedures supporting this purpose are:
 - a. Guidelines for visitors and tradespeople.
 - b. Civil Defence and Emergency Procedures.
 - c. Hazard Identification.

2. To establish and maintain a healthy and safe environment. Procedures to support this purpose are:
 - a. Contagious Health Conditions Procedures.
 - b. Storage of Dangerous and Toxic Substances.
 - c. Pandemic Action Plan.
 - d. Playground Supervision Procedure.

3. To develop and promote health and safety practices. Procedures to support this purpose are:
 - a. Infectious Diseases including HIV Aids and other blood-borne viruses.
 - b. First Aid Procedures.
 - c. Sunsafe Procedures.
 - d. Administration of Medication.
 - e. Access to and Uplifting Student Procedures.

4. To do everything practicable to comply with the Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992 and all of its regulations.

5. Programmes that address specific health and safety issues will be included in curriculum timetabling at level appropriate stages eg: DARE, Safe Cycling, CFLE, On Track, etc.

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Chairperson: