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Policy on the Stay Safe Programme

The Stay Safe Programme, a teaching package designed for use in Irish primary schools is taught in St Paul's N.S. It was researched and developed by the Child Abuse Prevention Programme. The principal aim of the programme is to prevent both physical and sexual abuse of children.

Under Child Protection Guidelines all schools are obliged to teach the Stay Safe programme. The Stay Safe Programme has been updated and from the 2018-2019 school year onwards, the revised Stay Safe Programme will be implemented. Stay Safe is taught as part of the SPHE (Social Personal and Health Education) curriculum. Due to the multi-class setting each pupil will experience the content in a vertical setting which may not match their exact class but all content prescribed will be covered in the four year cycle.

Children from Junior infants to sixth class participate in formal lessons on the Stay Safe Programme.

Parents are informed that the Stay Safe Programme is taught on an annual basis.

In the event that a parent withdraws their child from the Stay Safe Programme a written record of their reasons for doing so will be kept on file.

Staff will be facilitated to attend CPD training in the revised Stay Safe programme.

This plan was ratified by the Board of Management at a meeting on: _____

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Signed by: _____
Chairperson

Dated: _____

