

Health and Safety Statement Review and Action plan

A review of the Health and Safety statement (2019) took place in May 2023 and an Action plan was put in place in August 2023. Amendments to the Health and Safety Statement are attached here. This work will continue throughout the 2023/2024 academic year.

The following steps have been taken in the review of the health and safety statement:

- The Supervision policy has been reviewed and the DP Fergal Walsh consulted on it.
- Risk Assessment for Horticulture completed.
- There is now a horticulture safety statement for all TYP students and LCA this was presented to them in September 2023, students will sign this statement to make them aware of their responsibilities in terms of health and safety.
- The risk assessment and the horticulture safety statement will be appended in the safety statement.

ASD Special Class

- A health and safety review has also taken place with the co-ordinator of the new ASD unit

TRAINING

- We are updated with first aid and defibrillator training.
- However, the following will be looked at for the academic year 2023-24- the provision of general first aid to all staff in the areas of concussion, fainting and bleeding.
- Full first aid and defibrillator training will be examined for 2 members of the front office and 2 members of the senior management team

Other

- The fire policy has been reviewed and updated in the health and safety statement. Fire drill conducted on 6/9/23, building evacuated 1min 30 secs. Very Satisfactory.

- The CCTV policy was reviewed on the 1/6/23 by the Health and Safety Officer with a Board Member. As a result, the Principal's office was changed to Deputy Principal's office and specified F Walsh's office
- The ICT area was reviewed with the ICT department the area of usage and digital learning was addressed; an ongoing review is taking place due to the evolving nature of the area. It was however felt that the current guidelines with regard to student usage are sufficient – AUP in school journal.
- In terms of the grounds, the health and safety officer did a review, and the tree policy is due to be examined in the year 2023-24, further work on the trees may be needed.
- The lone worker policy was reviewed and the location of the panic button in the board room was specified.
- The staff safety representative was also consulted with regard to the review of the health and safety statement May 2023.