

# Statement of General Policy

## **The members of the Board of Management of Raheen N.S. are:**

Chairperson: Fr. Jim Furlong  
Secretary: Mr. John Curran  
Treasurer: Ms. Bridget Kavanagh  
Ms. Catherine O' Connor  
Ms. Noelle O'Connor  
Ms. Patricia Whitty  
Mr. Harry Doran  
Mr. John Wickham

Chairperson Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

The Board of Management of Raheen N.S. will ensure that, in so far as is practicable, the highest standards of safety shall prevail and that, at a minimum, the provisions of the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act, 1989 are applied.

Specifically, the Board of Management wishes to ensure so far as is reasonably practicable:

- (a) The design, provision and maintenance of all places in a condition that is safe and without risk to health.
- (b) The design, provision and maintenance of safe means of access to and egress from places of work.
- (c) The design, provision and maintenance of plant and machinery.
- (d) The provision of systems of work that are planned, organised, performed and maintained so as to be safe and without risk to health.
- (e) The provision of instruction to staff on proper lifting techniques of pupils and dealing with pupil challenging behaviour.

- (f) The provision of such information, instruction, training and supervision as is necessary to ensure safety and health at work.
- (g) The provision and maintenance of suitable protective clothing or equivalent as necessary to ensure the safety and health at work of its employees.
- (h) The preparation and revision as necessary of adequate plans to be followed in emergencies e.g. fire drills, injuries.
- (i) The safety and prevention of risk to health at work in connection with use of any article or substance.
- (j) The provision and maintenance of facilities and arrangements for the welfare of employees at work.
- (k) Obtaining where necessary, the services of a competent person for the purpose of ensuring the safety and health at work of its employees.
- (l) The continuing updating of the Safety Statement.
- (m) The provision of arrangements for consultation with employees on matters of Health & Safety.
- (n) The provision of arrangements for the selection from amongst its employees of a representative.

1.4 The Board of Management recognises that its statutory obligations under legislation extends to students, any person legitimately conducting school business in a public place.

The Board of Management of Raheen N.S. ensures that the provision of the Safety Health and Welfare at work Act 1989 be adhered to.

**A Safety Committee has been established to monitor the implementation of the Safety and Health Policies of Raheen N.S. and the requirements under the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work Act, 1989.**

**The names of the Safety Committee are as follows;**

**Mr. John Curran  
Ms. Catherine O'Connor  
Ms. Patricia Whitty**