





## **Supervision Procedures and Policies**

The following are guidelines on yard and class supervision procedures and related matters:

## **Kindergarten Area:**

No child is to be in an area where they are unsupervised by the Class Teacher or his/her Teaching Assistants. No two children are to be in an area where they are together, unsupervised.

Class teacher must ensure that all children, without exception, must wear the dungaree straps as provided with their outdoor wear.

The following areas are strictly out of bounds and children will not be permitted to play in:
Bushes
Behind the Pizza Hut
Behind the Tool Shed

Class Teacher and Teaching Assistants will endeavour to identify open spaces with which to base their forest walks and will clearly communicate the boundary area within which the children are permitted to play.

Only one child is permitted to use the bathroom at a time. Only the Class Teacher can give permission to any one child to use the bathroom.

Class Teacher and Teaching Assistants will ensure that children convene in the area known as 'Cois Coille' at home-time.

In the Kindergarten and in the Main School, teachers will ensure that children climb only the designated climbing trees.

## Main School Area:

Class Teachers and Special Education Teachers must ensure that no child or children are left unsupervised at any point of time in the run of the school day.

Class Teachers and Special Education Teachers must ensure that no child leaves the classroom without permission, including going to the porch areas unsupervised.

Only one child at a time per class is to be permitted to use the bathroom by Class Teachers and Special Education Teachers.

A bell shall be rung to indicate the start and finish of lunch breaks to the children. The class teacher should dismiss the class to the yard when they are satisfied that the teachers on duty are in-situ. Teacher need to be vigilant when children are transitioning in and out of the classroom through porches as some children struggle to regulate at these times. Play ceases in response to the bell to signify the end of lunch break and children proceed to return to class promptly.

A yard duty rota is circulated posted on the staffroom notice board and in the main hall.

The school building will be out of bounds to the children at lunch breaks to ensure ease of supervision. Children should only access the school building during break time if First-Aid treatment is required. The Class Teachers and Special Education Teachers must ensure that children are not allowed to remain in classrooms during break times except on days when weather prevents outdoor activity. Children are to use the Handwork building at breaktimes to access the bathroom. Access to the bathroom will be supervised by a teacher on Yard-Duty Supervision.

Three Teachers at will be rostered on Yard – Duty at a time. Each teacher on yard – duty will wear a Hi –Vis Vest to indicate to the children which teacher is on duty. The three teachers on duty will take up the following posted positions on the yard:

- Basketball Court
- Pitch Area / Circulating if pitch is closed
- Area in between School Building and Handwork Building

Children must not step into the 'out of bounds area'. These areas are clearly communicated to the children at the start of the school year

Children are expected to abide by the School's Code of Behaviour. Therefore, it is not permitted to engage in boisterous behaviour, rough play or dangerous games.

Children are not permitted to enter the car park under any circumstances during break times. If a ball rolls into the car park, children are to ask the teacher on yard duty to retrieve the ball.

In the event of an injury requiring First Aid treatment, the school's first - aider is sent for to attend to the child. Details of the accident including date, time, location, nature of the incident, names of witnesses and action taken afterwards should be recorded in the accident book. If the injury requires further medical treatment parents/guardians should be informed immediately, and where contact cannot be made, qualified medical treatment should be sought for the child.

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Principal Teacher

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