## **COVID-19 RISK ASSESSMENT FOR PREGNANT STAFF MEMBERS**

Staff Member:	Position:
Date:	Risk Assessor:

## PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Additional Risks identified in respect of a pregnant employee			
Additional Potential Risks to Pregnant Employees associated with COVID-19:	Controls to be put in place to mitigate/reduce the identified risk(s).	Risk Rating	Action
<ul> <li>Close physical contact with children as potential vectors of COVID-19</li> </ul>	Staff member has been offered the opportunity to work in SEN at a safer, more manageable distance from pupils.	HIGH	BOM/Principal
	Staff member will be provided with PPE including KN95 facemasks.		Principal
	Staff member will wear a KN95 facemask at all times apart from while eating/drinking		Staff Member
	Staff member will make all practicable efforts to maintain a 2m distance from pupils.		Staff Member
Close contact with staff members	Staff members will maintain a 2 metre distance from colleagues.	MEDIUM	Staff Member
<ul> <li>Close contact with parents/guardians</li> </ul>	Parents will not be permitted to access the school premises apart from in the	LOW	Principal/Staff

	Halla Mór at Infant Drop Off and Collection. 2 metre distance applies.		Staff
	Meetings with parents will only take place remotely, e.g. via telephone call or Zoom.		Staff Member
Contraction of COVID-19 via high touch surfaces	The school is cleaned to a high COVID-19 standard on a daily basis by a professional contact cleaner.	LOW	BOM/Principal/ Cleaners
<ul> <li>Contraction of COVID-19 through poor ventilation</li> </ul>	The levels of CO2 will be monitored in the classroom.	MEDIUM	Principal/Staff
	The doors of the main school building will remain open throughout the day.		Principal/Staff
	The classroom windows and louvred glass panels above the door will remain open throughout the school day.		Staff Member
	The classroom will be thoroughly ventilated during breaktimes and after school for 30 minutes each evening.		Staff Member/ Cleaners
Contraction of COVID-19 in communal staff areas	Staffroom has been repurposed. Staff will take lunch in the Halla Mór or outside in the Centre Court.	MEDIUM	Principal/Staff
	Toilets will be cleaned each day.		Cleaners

	Staff member will maintain a 2 metre distance from colleagues.		Staff Member
	Staff member will wear a KN95 facemask at all times apart from while eating/drinking		Staff Member
<ul> <li>Contact with chemical/biological agents involved in cleaning for COVID-19</li> </ul>	Cleaning products have been approved by the DES.	LOW	DES/ Principal/Cleaners
	Staff member will only use provided cleaning products.		Staff Member
<ul> <li>Long periods standing, movement or postures which are abrupt or severe or give rise to excessive fatigue</li> </ul>	Staff member has been provided with a high stool to enable her to sit while teaching.	MEDIUM	Principal
	Staff member has been advised to sit occasionally and to avoid long periods standing.		Staff Member
<ul> <li>Pushing/pulling/ carrying heavy or awkward items in arranging classroom layout</li> </ul>	Staff member has been instructed not to engage in heavy lifting or carrying and to request assistance from the Principal/Caretaker.	HIGH	Staff Member
<ul> <li>Climbing on furniture in order to affix charts, artwork, etc. to classroom walls</li> </ul>	Staff member has been instructed not to engage in climbing or high reaching and to request assistance from the Principal/Caretaker.	HIGH	Staff Member

<ul> <li>Assisting pupils who have fallen or who need assistance with clothing</li> </ul>	Staff member will ask for assistance from a colleague.	MEDIUM	Staff Member/Staff
	Staff member will maintain a 2 metre distance from pupils.	LOW	Staff Member
<ul> <li>Sweeping floors, cleaning flat surfaces, high- touch areas, personal workspaces</li> </ul>	Staff member will not be required to sweep floors.		Principal/Staff Member
	Staff member will only engage in light wiping/cleaning of personal workspace, door handles, etc.		Staff Member
<ul> <li>Supervision of children in the yard at breaktimes</li> </ul>	Staff member will be excused from supervision of children in the yard at breaktimes.	MEDIUM	Principal
Staff Member's Risk Level to COVID-19 As per DES CIRCULAR Circular 0042/2021			
VERY HIGH HIGH NORMAL			

SIGNED BY STAFF MEMBER:	Date:
SIGNED BY RISK ASSESSOR:	Date: