**Polasaí um Chaomhnú Leanaí : Gaelscoil Uí Chéadaigh**

Glacann an Bord Bainistíochta leis go bhfuil fíorthábhacht le caomhnú leanaí agus leas leanaí maidir le gach gné de shaol na scoile agus nach mór sin a bheith le sonrú ar pholasaithe, modhanna oibre agus beartaíocht uile na scoile. Dá réir sin, ag teacht lena n-éilítear faoi 'Nósanna Imeachta maidir le Caomhnú Leanaí i mBunscoileanna agus i Iarbhunscoileanna na Roinne Oideachais agus Scileanna, tá an polasaí seo a leanas maidir le caomhnú leanaí aontaithe ag Bord Bainistíochta Gaelscoil Uí Chéadaigh.

1. Tá glactha ag an mBord Bainistíochta le 'Nósanna Imeachta maidir le Caomhnú Leanaí i mBunscoileanna agus i Scoileanna Iarbhunscoile' na Roinne agus déanfar a gcur i bhfeidhm go hiomlán, gan athrú gan leasú, mar chuid den pholasaí ginearálta maidir le caomhnú leanaí.
2. An Duine Idirchaidrimh Ainmnithe (DIA): Gearóidín Ní Bhaoill (Príomhoide)
3. An Leas-Dhuine Idirchaidrimh Ainmnithe (Leas-DIA): Seosaimhín Gearóid (Leas Príomhoide)
4. I ndáil le polasaithe, modhanna oibre agus beartaíocht de chuid Ghaelscoil Uí Chéadaigh cloífear leis na prionsabail seo a leanas den dea-chleachtas maidir le caomhnú leanaí agus leas leanaí:

Déanfaidh an scoil

* glacadh leis go bhfuil fíorthábhacht le caomhnú leanaí agus leas leanaí, gan bheann ar aon cheist eile;
* comhoibriú go hiomlán leis na húdaráis chuí faoin reachtaíocht maidir le caomhnú leanaí agus cúrsaí leasa leanaí;
* gnásanna sábháilte a ghlacadh chuici féin d'fhonn an dóigh go dtarlódh dochar nó tionóisc do leanbh a mhaolú oiread agus is féidir agus an lucht oibre a chosaint ó chall dul i mbaol nach gá a bhféadfadh gurb é toradh a bheadh air go gcuirfí drochúsáid nó faillí ina leith;
* gnás ionracais a thabhairt chun cinn le tuismitheoirí agus tuismitheoirí a spreagadh a bheith rannpháirteach in oideachas a gcuid leanaí; agus
* meas iomlán a léiriú ar riachtanais rúndachta agus í ag déileáil le cúrsaí caomhnaithe leanaí

Cloífidh an scoil leis na prionsabail thuas freisin i ndáil le haon dalta fásta lena mbaineann soghontacht speisialta.

1. Aithníonn an scoil go bhfuil dlúthbhaint ag an bpolasaí seo le polasaithe eile scoile, go háirithe an Cód Smachta, an Polasaí Tinrimh agus an Polasaí Maoirseoireachta ar dhaltaí. Tá sé riachtanach go léifear na polasaithe sin in éineacht leis an bpolasaí seo agus go gcuirfear i bhfeidhm iad sa scoil i gcomhthéacs an pholasaí seo.
2. Tá sé cinntithe ag an mBord go bhfuil na polasaithe, prótacail nó cleachtais, de réir mar is cuí, curtha i bhfeidhm i ndáil le gach ceann de na nithe thuasluaite.
3. Cuireadh an polasaí seo ar fáil d'fhoireann na scoile agus do Chumann na dTuismitheoirí agus tá sé ar fáil go héasca ag tuismitheoirí ach a iarraidh. Cuirfear cóip den pholasaí seo ar fáil don Roinn agus don phátrún sa chás go n-iarrtar é.
4. Déanfaidh an Bord Bainistíochta an polasaí seo a thabhairt faoi athbhreithniú uair in aghaidh na scoilbhliana.

Ghlac an Bord Bainistíochta leis an bpolasaí seo ar an 10 Nollaig 2013.

Siniú: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Síniú: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Cathaoirleach an Bhoird Bainistíochta Príomh-Oide

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Dáta an chéad athbhreithniú eile: Nollaig 2015

**Child Protection Policy of Gaelscoil Uí Chéadaigh**

The Board of Management recognises that child protection and welfare considerations permeate all aspects of school life and must be reflected in all of the school’s policies, practices and activities. Accordingly, in accordance with the requirements of the Department of Education and Skills’ Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post Primary Schools, the Board of Management of Gaelscoil Uí Chéadaigh has agreed the following child protection policy:

1. The Board of Management has adopted and will implement fully and without modification the Department’s Child Protection Procedures for Primary and Post Primary Schools as part of this overall child protection policy.
2. The Designated Liaison Person (DLP) is Gearóidín Ní Bhaoill (Principal)
3. The Deputy Designated Liaison Person (Deputy DLP) is Seosaimhín Gearóid (Deputy Principal)
4. In its policies, practices and activities, Gaelscoil Uí Chéadaigh will adhere to the following principles of best practice in child protection and welfare:

The school will

* + recognise that the protection and welfare of children is of paramount importance, regardless of all other considerations;
  + fully co-operate with the relevant statutory authorities in relation to child protection and welfare matters;
  + adopt safe practices to minimise the possibility of harm or accidents happening to children and protect workers from the necessity to take unnecessary risks that may leave themselves open to accusations of abuse or neglect;
  + develop a practice of openness with parents and encourage parental involvement in the education of their children; and
  + fully respect confidentiality requirements in dealing with child protection matters.

The school will also adhere to the above principles in relation to any adult pupil with a special vulnerability.

1. The Board recognises that there is a close connection between this policy and other school policies, especially the Code of Discipline, the Attendance Policy and the Supervision of Pupils Policy. These policies should be read in conjunction with this policy and its contents should be closely considered in their implementation.

The Board has ensured that the necessary policies, protocols or practices as appropriate are in place in respect of each of the above listed items.

1. This policy has been made available to school personnel and the Parents’ Association and is readily accessible to parents on request. A copy of this policy will be made available to the Department and the patron if requested.
2. This policy will be reviewed by the Board of Management once in every school year.

This policy was adopted by the Board of Management on 10th December 2013.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Chairperson of Board of Management Principal

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_­­­­­­­­­­­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date of next review: December 2015