



## Scoil Mhuire National School, Rosslare, Co. Wexford

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### **Scoil Mhuire NS Rosslare Policy on the Stay Safe Programme**

Scoil Mhuire NS. Rosslare teaches the Stay Safe Programme. This programme was researched and developed by the Child Abuse Prevention Programme (CAPP). The programme aims to give children the skills necessary to enable them to recognise and resist abuse/victimisation and teaches them that they should always tell (an adult that can help) about any situation which they find unsafe, upsetting, threatening, dangerous or abusive.

Under Child Protection Guidelines all schools are obliged to teach the Stay Safe programme. The revised Stay Safe Programme has been updated and from the 2017/2018 school year onwards the new Stay Safe Programme will be implemented.

Stay Safe is taught as part of the SPHE (Social Personal and Health Education) curriculum. As a school we teach the Stay Safe Programme every second year in the second term of the year. Children from Junior Infants to Sixth class participate in formal lessons on the Stay Safe Programme.

Parents/Guardians are encouraged to become involved by discussing each lesson with their child and helping their child to complete each worksheet based on the lessons in the programme.

It is considered good practice to inform parents in advance of commencement that the Stay Safe Programme is due to be taught and to direct them to [www.pdst.ie/staysafe](http://www.pdst.ie/staysafe) for any further information.

In the event that a parent withdraws their child from the Stay Safe Programme a written record of their reasons for doing so will be kept on file.

Staff will be facilitated to attend CPD training in the revised Stay Safe programme.

This plan was ratified by the Board of Management at a meeting on:

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

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

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