



ST JOSEPH'S
SCHOOL
COLERAINE

Child Safe Code of Conduct for Kids

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Introduction



St Joseph's School is a place where children come to learn and grow.

Everyone in our school should feel welcome, included, respected, safe and cared for.

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Our school looks after the safety and wellbeing of all students and has a number of ways to keep everyone feeling safe and cared for.

We do not accept behaviour that make others feel unsafe or afraid at home or at school.



Introduction

Everyone in this school has the right to be safe.

As a school community, we...

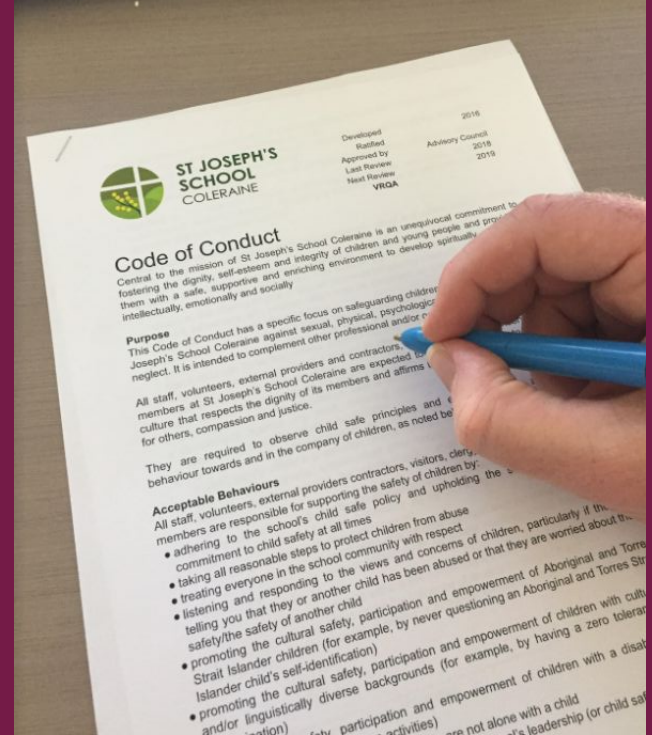


- 1. Respect the personal space of others*
- 2. Are careful with our words*
- 3. Act responsibly and look out for each other*
- 4. Avoid taking unnecessary risks*
- 5. Talk to a trusted adult if something is wrong*



Commitment to Child Safety

Our school has a **Code of Conduct** (a set of special rules) that all adults teachers, parents, volunteers & tradesmen must sign and agree to before working here.



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Before coming into school,
adults must show their
Working with Children Card
at the office. This card proves
they are a safe adult for
children to be around.



Brendan gets a 'Thumbs Up'!



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*At St Joseph's, we have a
Child Protection Officer*

*It is **Mr McElgunn**.*

*His job is to help keep our
school a safe environment for
all students*





Principles

At St Joseph's School,

Our teachers are trained to know how to help students when they don't feel safe and our whole school community works hard to keep students safe as well. Here are some groups working to keep our students safe...



Keeping You Safe - Student Council

Your Student Council has been created to give students a voice in our school.

The council works hard to keep our school a safe place for kids to learn and play.





Keeping You Safe - Staff

Every week, our teachers have a staff meeting where Child Safety is discussed.

Our teachers are committed to making our school a child safe environment.





Keeping You Safe - School Advisory Council

*Our **School Advisory Council** is a team of teachers, mums and dads who are also involved in making decisions that protect kids in our school.*





Keeping You Safe - Our Parish Community

Our parishioners have new policies and rules around how they interact with children in our Church community.





Keeping You Safe - Our Town

There are groups and people around Coleraine who care for your safety as well.

Lots of people in our community take your safety seriously!





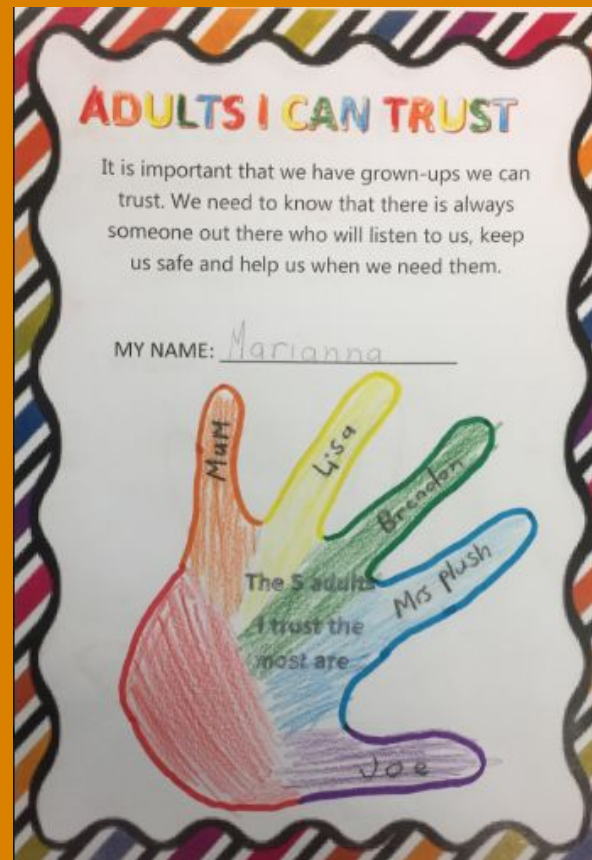
Trusted Adults

All children at St. Joseph's School should have at least 5 different adults who they can trust.

Examples can be:

- A teacher
- Parent/guardian
- Counsellor
- A special adult - friend of family member
- Principal
- Older siblings

Use your five fingers and say who your trusted adults are in your head.





Staying Safe

If you happen to find yourself in a situation where you are talking to someone you don't know or don't trust, stop talking to them and tell a trusted adult.



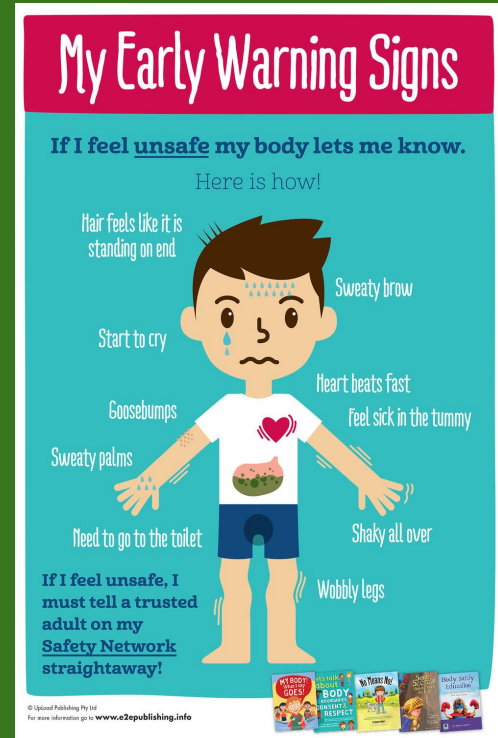
Be a hero!

We believe children at St Joseph's should feel safe, healthy and happy. So if you are getting hurt or you see someone else getting hurt, then speak up and be a hero!



What does 'unsafe' feel like?

- Hair feels like standing on end.
- Feeling sweaty.
- Starting to cry.
- Goosebumps.
- Heart beats really fast.
- Feeling sick in the tummy.
- Sweaty palms.
- Feeling Shaky.
- Needing to go to the toilet.
- Wobbly legs.
- If I feel unsafe, I must tell a trusted adult on my finger network!





There is always an adult at school that will listen!

If you have a problem you can always talk to a trusted adult at school such as Teachers, the Principal, a support officer or a school counsellor because they will always listen.





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The law says that if you tell someone that you are experiencing abuse, neglect or something that makes you feel uncomfortable - these adults must do something about it.

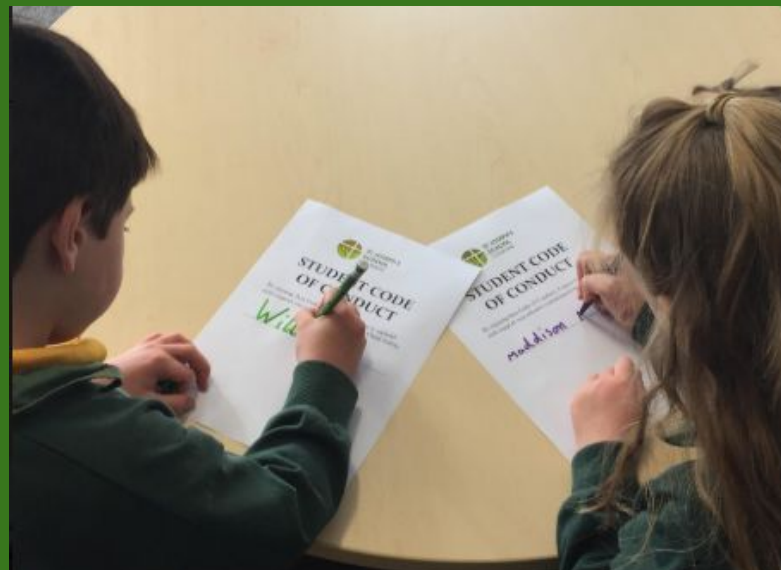




Child Safety in Action...

Today, we would like all of our students to sign our
'Child Safe Student Code of Conduct'

Signing the page means that
you agree to support and
uphold the safe culture we have
developed in our school and
follow the expectations set out
in this presentation.





Commitment to Child Safety

Our school makes sure EVERYONE feels safe and included, regardless of religion, culture/background, gender or abilities. We commit to making others feel respected and valued at all times!





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Thank you for your time.

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