



# *The Teresian School*

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## **Child Protection Policy**

The Board of Management of The Teresian School, recognizes its obligation to provide pupils with the highest possible standard of care in order to promote their well being and protect them from any potential harm.

The Board has ratified the adoption in full, of the Child Protection Guidelines for Post-Primary Schools (2004) issued by the Department of Education and Science. These Guidelines form the school policy for dealing with all child protection issues in conjunction with the 1999 publication *Children First: National Guidelines for the Protection of Children* published by the Department of Health and Children. It has also ratified and adopted the *Guidelines for the Protection of Students in The Teresian School* (2006).

In October 2011 The Board of Management ratified the new *Children First: National Guidance for the Protection and Welfare of Children* published by the Department of Children and Youth Affairs

These Guidelines will inform the school's response in the very important areas of neglect, emotional abuse, physical abuse and sexual abuse of children.

The Board of Management has appointed Natuca Cordón, Principal, as the Designated Liaison Person (DLP) and Anthony Carty, Deputy Principal, as the Deputy Designated Liaison Person (DDL P).

Copies of the Teresian Guidelines may be downloaded from the Health Service Executive, [www.hse.ie](http://www.hse.ie) and the Department of Children and Youth Affairs, [www.decya.government.ie](http://www.decya.government.ie). Any queries in relation to policy aspects of the Guidance can be addressed to: [childrenfirst@dcya.government.ie](mailto:childrenfirst@dcya.government.ie)

For the full text of the Department of Education and Science Guidelines please see:

[www.education.ie](http://www.education.ie)

N. Cordón  
Principal,  
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