



## **LUCAN EDUCATE TOGETHER**

### **POLICY FOR STAY SAFE PROGRAMME**

The Stay Safe programme is part of the Social, Personal, Health, Education (SPHE) curriculum. Under Child Protection Guidelines all schools are obliged to teach the Stay Safe Programme.

#### **The Stay Safe Programme:**

In Lucan Educate Together N.S. children in all classes from Junior Infants to Sixth class are taught the lessons in a two year cycle. These lessons will be taught in the second term of the school year. Children are taught the lessons by the class teacher in the classroom. Parents will be advised of the content of the lessons in advance of the lessons being taught. Parents are encouraged to become involved in the programme by discussing each lesson with their child, to re-inforce the skills children are being taught at school.

#### **Aims of the Programme:**

- To teach children personal safety skills so that they can protect themselves from physical, emotional or sexual abuse.
- Each child is made aware of their rights and assured that all staff are committed to the prevention of physical, sexual or emotional abuse of children.
- To empower children to tell a trusted adult about any problems they may have.

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 the child's file. Staff have been facilitated with CPD in the revised Stay Safe programme in the school year 2017/2018. Further training will be arranged for Staff within the next two years or as necessary. Parents were also introduced to the revised lessons in an information meeting and through providing on-line links to lessons.

<b>Activity:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
<b>Reviewed:</b>	
<b>Ratified by Board of Management:</b>	
<b>Effective from:</b>	
<b>Next Review Date: *</b>	

**\* Unless reviewed at an earlier date if deemed necessary by a change in law, Department policy, or to reflect changing school circumstances.**

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

**Chairperson:**

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

**Principal:**

Stay Safe Topic	Number of Lessons			
	J. Infants S. Infants	1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup>
Feeling Safe and Unsafe	3	3	3	3
Friendship and Bullying	3	5	6	6
Touches	2	2	2	2
Secrets and Telling	1	1	1	1
Strangers	1	1	1	1

## **Stay Safe Content**

(This plan ensures that the Stay Safe Programme is completed over the two year cycle. PDST advise that lessons are done in a block. We will teach Stay Safe lessons in the second term of each school year.)

<b><u>Junior Infants</u></b>	<b><u>1<sup>st</sup> Class</u></b>	<b><u>3<sup>rd</sup> Class</u></b>	<b><u>5<sup>th</sup> Class</u></b>
Feeling safe and unsafe p. 17 - 30	Feeling safe and unsafe p. 17-30	Feeling safe and unsafe p. 17-30	Feeling safe and unsafe p. 20-23 Lesson 1 & 2
Friendship and bullying p.32-44	Friendship and bullying p.32-44	Friendship and bullying p.32-44	Friendship and bullying p.32-37 Lessons 1-3 incl
Touches p.45-53	Touches p.52-61	Touches p.55-66	Touches p.54 & 55 Lesson 1
			Strangers p.69-76 Lesson 1 (repeat)
			Secrets and telling p.72-75 Lesson 1
<b><u>Senior Infants</u></b>	<b><u>2<sup>nd</sup> Class</u></b>	<b><u>4<sup>th</sup> Class</u></b>	<b><u>6<sup>th</sup> Class</u></b>
Secrets and telling p.55-60	Secrets and telling p.55-60	Secrets and telling p.55-60	Feeling safe and unsafe p. 24 & 25 Lesson 3
Strangers p. 62-66	Strangers p. 62-66	Strangers p. 62-66	Friendship and bullying p.38-46 Lessons 4-6 incl
Touches (Repeat) p.45-53	Touches (Repeat) Touches p.52-61	Touches (Repeat) p.55-66	Touches p.56&57 Lesson 2
			Strangers p.69-76 Lesson 1 (repeat)
			Secrets and telling p.72-75 Lesson 1 (repeat)