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## **Equality & Gender Equity Policy**

Saint Michael's National School seeks to promote the principles of justice and equality for all members of the school community. In this regard:

- The enrolment criteria will not differentiate between pupils from different social strata. There is an equal right of access under the school's Admissions Policy.
- It is school policy to provide a gender balanced range of resources in curricular areas textbooks, ancillary materials, software, sports equipment etc.
- Every opportunity will be taken to promote gender equality through the discreet and hidden curriculum.
- Teachers will ensure that the language used in the school to mediate the curriculum is gender balanced and will avail of opportunities to raise pupils' awareness of unconsciously held attitudes
- There will be no differentiation between the sexes in the allocation of classes to teachers.
- As agreed with the Board of Management and parents all pupils in Saint Michael's National School will wear age appropriate clothing suitable for school activities.
- Nothing may appear in an advertisement which would indicate a preference for one gender over another.
- No question will be asked at interview which could be interpreted as discrimination on gender grounds.
- This school is an Equal Opportunities Employer.
- This policy will be updated if and when the need arises.

Date of Ratification: 29th June 2020	
Signature of Chairperson:	
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