

Care Team. Coláiste Cholmcille

The Care Team is a shared pastoral approach to care management in the school.

Rationale. Why an integrated approach?

- Consistency of approach to care needs.
- Connection to school ethos.
- Supports teachers.
- Support individual and groups of students.
- Shared responsibility and response.
- Team Support.
- Information management.
- Sharing of skills and information.
- Understanding of roles.
- Emotional differentiation.
- Good practice.
- Follow up – next meeting.

Membership

- Principal
- Deputy Principal.
- Chaplain
- 2 Guidance Counsellors.
- HPS School co-ordinator.
- BFL Teacher.
- SEN co-ordinator.
- Year Heads on a rota basis.
- SNA's, NYP co-ordinator, NEPS Psychologist as need arises.

Care Team Issues.

- Attendance/ Retention.
- Behaviour.
- Academic Achievement.
- Pastoral Care.
- Supports.
- Health/Welfare.
- Strengths/ Weaknesses.
- Needs of School.
- Family Issues.
- Mental Health.
- Child Protection.
- Critical Incident.
- Staff Support/Development.
- In/ Out Weekly List.
- Evaluation.

Care Team Key Issues

- Weekly Timetabled meetings.
- Agenda.
- Professionalism/ Confidentiality.
- Leadership.
- Effective use of time/structure/ resources.
- Openness.
- Sharing relevant information with wider staff.
- Report to Weekly Year Head Meeting.
- Record keeping.

In and Out Lists.

- Students needing extra support are discussed and support structures are decided. These students are listed on a weekly basis as needing extra care.
- Linking staff/school to emotional/mental needs of students.
- Care Management.
- Emotional space for the student.
- Case management and referral notes.
- All staff have a laminated card outlining the response if a student is listed on the IN or OUT list. (ATTACHED)
- List is posted weekly on a colour coded sheet every Tuesday on the main Notice board and the Pastoral Care notice board in the staff room
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