



Ó Fiaich College - Appendix E

Notification regarding the board of management's annual review of the school's Bí Cineálta Policy 2026

The Board of Management of confirms that the board of management's annual review of the school's Bí Cineálta Policy to Prevent and Address Bullying Behaviour and its implementation was completed at the board of management meeting of:

9th September 2026

This review was conducted in accordance with the requirements of the Department of Education's Bí Cineálta Procedures to Prevent and Address Bullying Behaviour for Primary and Post-Primary Schools.

Signed: Kim Hen

(Chairperson of Board of management)

Date: 9/9/26

Signed: Adraighne

(Principal)

Date: 9/9/26

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Annual review of the Bí Cineálta Policy 2026



The Board of Management (the Board) must undertake an annual (calendar) review of the school's Bí Cineálta policy and its implementation in consultation with the school community. As part of the review, this document must be completed.

Bí Cineálta Policy Review

1. When did the Board formally adopt its Bí Cineálta policy to prevent and address bullying behaviour in accordance with the *Bí Cineálta Procedures for Primary and Post-Primary Schools*? Insert date when the Bí Cineálta policy was last adopted by the school.

10/09/2025

2. Where in the school is the student-friendly Bí Cineálta policy displayed?

Copy included in student Journal

Copy available on school website

Copy on Digital screens in school building

Compass App Newsfeed

Actions 2026/27:

QR Codes & Bí Cineálta specific Noticeboard

3. What date did the Board publish the Bí Cineálta policy and the student-friendly policy on the school website?

12/09/2025 and 14/09/2026

Action 2026/27: Update school website for 2026 Bí Cineálta Policies

4. How has the student-friendly policy been communicated to students?

Copy included in student Journal and is included in student induction

Visual Displays in Ó Fiaich College

Year Head and Form Tutor discuss and communicate information to students

Teachers & Supervisors make students aware

BÍ Cineálta activities and kindness events during the school Year

SPHE Class

Compass Newsfeed to Students

Actions 2026/27:

Student Voice Activity – students to design an Ó Fiaich College student friendly version of BÍ Cineátla Policy

Circulate Via Compass App News feed every Term

5. How has the BÍ Cineálta policy and student-friendly policy been communicated to parents/guardians?

Copy included in student Journal and school website

Visual Displays in Ó Fiaich College

Policy and school supports addressed school information evenings and days

Year Head and Form Tutors discuss and communicate information to parents and guardians during meetings and on phone calls/discussions

BÍ Cineálta activities and events during the school Year

Compass Newsfeed to Parents/Guardians

Actions 2026/27:

HSCL & BÍ Cineálta Team to work on Parental Voice Activity of BÍ Cineátla

Circulate Via Compass App News feed every Term

6. Have all school staff been made aware of the school's Bí Cineálta policy and the *Bí Cineálta Procedures to Prevent and Address Bullying Behaviour for Primary and Post- Primary Schools*?

Yes	✓
No	

7. Does the Bí Cineálta policy document the strategies that the school uses to prevent bullying behaviour?

Yes	✓
No	

8. Has the Board received and minuted the Bullying Behaviour update presented by the principal at every ordinary board meeting over the last calendar year?

Yes	✓
No	

9. Has the Board discussed how the school is addressing all reports of bullying behaviour?

Yes	✓
No	

10. Is the Board satisfied that all incidents of bullying behaviour are addressed in accordance with the school's Bí Cineálta Policy?

Yes	✓
No	

11. Have the prevention strategies in the Bí Cineálta policy been implemented?

Yes	✓
No	

12. Has the Board discussed the effectiveness of the strategies used to prevent bullying behaviour?

Yes	✓
No	

13. How have (a) parents, (b) students and (c) school staff been consulted with as part of the review of the Bí Cineálta Policy?

Informal discussions
Discussed meetings and during phone calls with parent/guardians
Staff Teams reviewed and updated
Copy Circulated for review

Actions 2026/27:

Focus Groups with students & parent/guardians
Short review surveys

14. Outline any aspects of the school's Bí Cineálta policy and/or its implementation that have been identified as requiring further improvement as part of this review:

Students to design Ó Fiaich College specific student friendly version

15. Where areas for improvement have been identified, outline how these will be addressed and whether an action plan with timeframes has been developed?

Student Voice activity to take place during term one 2026 for approval by BOM at the first meeting of 2027

16. Does the student-friendly policy need to be updated as a result of this review and if so, why?

Yes – Generic one from Department used in 2025/26 with elements of old content from Student Journal added, new version needs to reflect the Ó Fiaich students and our school culture and identity

17. Does the school refer parents to the complaints procedures if they have a complaint about how the school has addressed bullying behaviour?

Yes	✓
No	

18. Has a parent informed the school that a student has left the school due to reported bullying behaviour?

Yes	
No	✓

19. Has the Office of the Ombudsman for Children initiated or completed an investigation into how the school has addressed an incident of bullying behaviour?

Yes	
No	✓