

# **Wexford CYPSC Newsletter**

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Wexford CYPSC

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#### **WEBINARS & TRAINING**

## ► Literacy Awareness Training: Tuesday 29 April 2025







The "Learning and Development Sub Group" of Wexford CYPSC in association with the WWETB Adult Literacy for Life (ALL) Coalition, invites expressions of interest to participate in the following workshop.

### **Literacy Awareness Workshop**

Location: Conference Room, WWETB College of Further Education and Training,

Whitemill Industrial Estate, Wexford, Y35 XR22

**Date**: Tuesday, 29 April 2025

**Time**: 9.30am-10am Tea / Coffee

10am-12.30pm Workshop

**Further Details**: Please see attached information poster for further details.

Expressions of Interest will be reviewed, and your place will be confirmed by email.

If applications exceed places available, we will explore the possibility of providing a second workshop.

**Expression of Interest (EoI)**: Submit your expression of interest by <u>clicking here.</u>

Last date for receipt of EOI's: 5pm Tuesday 22 April

You can find out more about the ALL Strategy here.

Kind Regards,

Sheila Barrett (CYPSC Co-ordinator) & Edel Finan (Regional Literacy Co-ordinator, WWETB / ALL)

### ► Graduate Diploma in Child and Family Health and Wellbeing, DCU



Graduate Diploma in Child & Family Health & Wellbeing

DCU are pleased to announce an exciting new programme -. The Graduate Diploma in Child and Family Health and Wellbeing (Level 9 NFQ, 60 ECTS) in addition to the existing MSc in Child and Family Health and Wellbeing (Level 9 NFQ, 90 ECTS). Both programmes will provide students with an opportunity to complete an interdisciplinary programme of study focused on promoting holistic child and family health and wellbeing. This will be achieved by reviewing contemporary issues in child, young person and family health and wellbeing and will examine current and future child health societal challenges.

The Graduate Diploma in Child and Family Health and Wellbeing (Level 9 NFQ, 60 ECTS) is a part-time blended programme consisting of online content two evenings per week during Semester time plus 6 on campus study days per Semester. The programme is run over one year.

The Graduate Diploma in Child and Family Health and Wellbeing (Level 9 NFQ, 90 ECTS) is a two-year, part-time, blended-learning programme.

- Year 1 consists of online content two evenings per week during Semester time plus 6 on campus study days per Semester)
- Year 2 consists of your Dissertation module

The programmes have a strong interdisciplinary foundation. Programme content covers areas such as child and family-focussed wellbeing, children's rights, global child health, community service provision, contemporary issues in child and adolescent mental health and research.

Both programmes will appeal to anyone working with children, young people and their families in multiple fields across community, hospital, voluntary and non-governmental sectors. Applications are now open. For further details and information regarding eligibility, entry requirements, recognition of prior learning (RPL) and to submit an application, visit the course page <a href="https://example.com/herce/beauty-september-10">herce/beauty-september-10</a>.

For further information, please contact:E: carol.barron@dcu.ie W: dcu.ie/snpch

### ► Plain English Webinar Series



I am delighted to share NALA's 2025 FREE Plain English Webinar Series with you.

The webinars will cover three topics across three sessions and participants can send in content to be covered in the workshop.

Friday morning 10am-11am	Top Plain English Tips for
25 April	Writing for the web
20 June	Writing leaflets and publications
21 November	Writing effective letters and emails to colleagues and customers

Please register and also share the link with your colleagues and networks.

Kind Regards

## Kind Regards



# Edel Finan | Edel Ní Fhionnáin

Regional Literacy Coordinator, **WWETB and Adult Literacy for Life** | Comhordaitheoir

Réigiúnach Litearthachta

WWETB agus Litearthacht Aosach ar feadh an tSaoil

# Waterford and Wexford Education and Training Board | Bord Oideachais agus Oiliúna Phort Láirge agus Loch Garman

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#### **PARENTING SUPPORTS**

# ► Dyslexia Course for Parents : Dyslexia Ireland



#### Dates:

Wednesday 14th May 2025 (7pm to 9pm) and Wednesday 21st May 2025 (7pm to 9pm).

#### **Course Fee**

- A reduced rate of €50 is available to current members of Dyslexia Ireland.
- The fee for non-members is €75.
- A subsidised ticket of €25 is available for those on social welfare/low income.

The course gives parents an overview of dyslexia in the context of the Irish education system.

On the course you will also explore practical strategies to equip parents to help their children.

The course will be delivered live via Zoom over two evenings. The two evening sessions are recorded and shared with participants for later reference. Additional course content will be provided through pre-recorded videos and information handouts.

#### **Topics covered will include:**

- What is dyslexia?
- The assessment process and what comes next.
- School and the supports that are available.
- Self-advocacy.
- Support strategies in school and at home.
- Self-esteem and wellbeing.

For more information, visit: Buy tickets - Dyslexia Course for Parents (May 2025) - Zoom

For more information on **Dyslexia Ireland**, access their website <u>here</u>.

# ► Supporting Your Child's Transition from Preschool to Primary School – National Parents Council



The transition from preschool to primary school is one of the most significant milestones in a child's early years. At the National Parents Council (NPC), we are committed to supporting parents and childcare providers in helping children navigate this change with confidence and ease.

We are excited to offer **free online information sessions** to help you prepare for this important transition. These interactive webinars are designed to provide practical advice, tips, and resources to ensure a smooth journey for your child.

# Session Dates and Times:

- Monday 7th April to Thursday 10th April 10am and 7.30pm each day
- Friday 11th April 10am

#### Why Attend?

Our sessions will empower parents and childcare providers with practical knowledge and strategies, including:

- How to emotionally prepare children for the transition.
- Building resilience and confidence in children.
- Strengthening the relationship between parents, providers and children during this time.

#### **Session Details:**

Each session lasts approximately **70 minutes**, including time for an interactive Q&A, where participants can ask questions and get personalised advice from our experienced facilitators.

#### **How to Register:**

To join any of these free sessions, simply register using the link below. Spots are limited and will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Register Here

You can also register via this <u>link</u>

Whether you are a parent or an early childcare provider, these sessions are an excellent opportunity to learn more about making this transition as smooth and positive as possible for the children in your care.

We look forward to welcoming you to one of our sessions!

# ► Requesting details of parenting initiatives taking place during April/May 2025 for the Supporting Parents Communications Campaign



Thank you for continuing to support our promotion of parenting initiatives by informing us of upcoming events in your area.

We are now seeking details of any parenting initiatives which will be taking place in April or May. As with previous months, a selection of these events will be promoted across DCEDIY social media channels to raise awareness among parents of the supports available to them in their locality.

Details of upcoming events can be provided via a short survey by clicking here.

It would be appreciated if details of any upcoming events could be provided by Monday 21 April to allow time for the DCEDIY Communications team to develop content for sharing across DCEDIY social channels.

You can check across DCEDIY social channels for your event and please feel free to like and share our social posts. We also encourage you to circulate this email to any service within your network that may have an upcoming parenting event which they wish to promote through the Supporting Parents Communications Campaign.

May we request that information on upcoming events is submitted through the survey link above. However, if you experience any issues using the survey or if you have any queries, please do not hesitate to email parentingsupport@equality.gov.ie for assistance.

Kind regards

The Parenting Support Policy Unit

#### **LAUNCHES**

# ► TLC Kidz Wexford Launch : Wednesday 9 April



An Ghníomhaireacht um Leanaí agus an Teaghlach Child and Family Agency

# ► Traveller Childrens Art Exhibition : Opening Night 8 April

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO

THE OPENING
NIGHT OF THE
TRAVELLER
CHILDREN'S ART
EXHIBITION ON
TUESDAY 8TH APRIL
AT 7PM

Wexford County Council Buildings,
Newtown Road,
Carricklawn,
Wexford
Y35WY93



#### **VOLUNTEERING**

## ► HUGG have NEW volunteering opportunities



We will hold a LIVE Volunteering Information Session over Zoom on **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2025** at **11am – 11.30am.** Our information sessions provide a brief background on HUGG, and details on everything involved in volunteering with HUGG including what opportunities are available, and what training and supports we offer. Attendees will have an opportunity to ask questions. This session will NOT be recorded.

Please find attached an <u>image(s)</u> for <u>social media</u>, a <u>flyer on volunteering with HUGG</u> and below the registration link for Eventbrite. We are seeking volunteers nationwide. I would greatly appreciate if you could share the registration link with your networks and on social media channels if possible.

#### Registration link:

https://bit.ly/HUGGVolunteerInfoSessionApril2025

If you have any further questions, please do get in touch.

Kind regards,

Helena

**Helena Collazo** 

**HUGG Groups Operations and Administration** 

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w: www.HUGG.ie

**HUGG Services:** Telephone Support Line | Suicide Grief Resources <u>HUGG.ie</u> | Suicide Bereavement Support Groups | Public Events & Webinars | Research & Advocacy

Registered Charity No. 20204480 Company Registration No. 640420UGG

#### **CONSULTATIONS**

# **▶** "Connecting for Life" Consultation



A <u>public consultation</u> to inform the development of Ireland's next suicide reduction policy was launched last week. This Department of Health consultation is a very welcome opportunity for people, groups and organisations to share their experiences, observations and proposals on suicide reduction in Ireland and to express what they would like to see in a new policy, post *Connecting for Life*.

It is vital that the local voice across Carlow, Kilkenny, South Tipperary, Waterford and Wexford is captured. Your views, as our key stakeholders over the past ten years, will play an important part in influencing this new policy which will build on the successes of *Connecting for Life* and will take account of new evidence. The next policy will set out the Government's approach to suicide reduction from 2026 onwards and you can play your part in shaping a new and innovative strategic direction for reducing the number of people who die by suicide in our country.

The consultation, which is open to members of the public and to all relevant groups and organisations, is an opportunity for you to share your opinion on suicide reduction in Ireland. We are particularly keen to hear from those with lived or living experience of suicide. We are asking that you please share this email and the link below or the attached Poster with the consultation QR code.

We truly appreciate your assistance in sharing this information and your ongoing commitment to suicide prevention work across the region. Please do not hesitate to contact either of us if you require any additional information.

Warm regards,

Tracy and Sarah

**Connecting for Life Survey**: Read more and complete the short consultation survey. The survey closes on 18th April.

Access the Suicide Reduction Poster here.

# Every life lost to suicide is one too many.

Help by sharing your views at: gov.ie/SuicideReduction



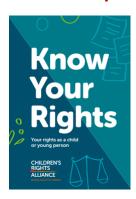
Or send submissions to: Department of Health, Mental Health Unit, Block 1, Miesian Plaza, 50-58 Lower Baggot Street, Dublin, D02 XW14.

A message from the Government of Ireland.



#### **RESOURCES**

# ► "Know Your Rights Guide": Translations for Children in the International Protection System



Know Your Rights Guide, originally published in 2019, is now being translated into seven additional languages to better support children and young people in Ireland in the International Protection System.

With the support of Children and Young People's Services Committees (CYPSC) through the 2024 CYPSC International Protection Fund, the plain-language guide for children and young people on their legal rights and entitlements in Ireland will now be available in **Arabic, Albanian, French, Georgian, Somali, Urdu and Pashto.** The guide answers questions children and young people may have about protecting their rights and where they can find more information, help or support.

This update builds on previous translations of the Know Your Rights Guide to <u>Ukrainian</u> and <u>Russian</u> in 2022 to reflect legal developments and address specific questions children, young people and families arriving from Ukraine may have about their rights here in Ireland.

The publication of the seven new translated versions of this guide will happen in two phases, with <u>Albanian</u>, <u>French</u>, and <u>Somali</u>, now available to download on our <u>website</u>. The remaining languages <u>Pashto</u>, <u>Georgian</u>, <u>Urdu and Arabic</u> will be available in the coming weeks, and we will notify members and friends once they are published.

We hope that these additional translations into seven prominent languages for international protection populations in Ireland will further increase accessibility to vital information for children and young people.

All the best, The Children's Rights Alliance Team

