



**Childcare  
Committee**  
County Cavan

**Weekly  
Newsletter  
5<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> May**

## National News

[Click here to read all the  
national news this week!](#)

## Local News

[Click here to read all the  
local news this week!](#)

## Jobs Board

Please email all job ads to  
[mary@cavanccc.ie](mailto:mary@cavanccc.ie)

You can see all the up to date  
vacancies on our website here:  
<https://cavanccc.ie/jobs-board/>



## Deadlines and Important Dates

**13<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

Everyday Spaces training for ELC/SAC and  
Childminding Services

**6<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

Access & Inclusion Model (AIM) Level 4,  
Level 5 and Level 7 standard applications  
for the 2025/2026 programme are now  
open

**14<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

May Core Funding Review and Confirm  
close

**24<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

National Aistear Conference

**27<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

Annual Early Years Sector Profile 2024/25  
is open from 6<sup>th</sup> May- 27<sup>th</sup> May 2025

## May Core Funding Review and Confirm

The Review and Confirm task for May 2025 can now be completed

- R&C with changes
- R&C without changes



Partner Services with an approved May Review and Confirm record can auto-populate their Application Module for the 2025/2026 Programme Year. This will help reduce administration. More information to follow.

## Access & Inclusion Model (AIM)

Access & Inclusion Model (AIM) Level 4, Level 5 and Level 7 standard initial and Review & Confirm applications for the 2025/2026 programme year are open now.

AIM Level 7 Plus and Non-term applications for the 2025/26 programme call will open mid-summer. Services are reminded to submit any relevant AIM application at least three months prior to a child's planned start date in ECCE. For further support, please see the [Better Start / AIM - Service Provider Portal](#)



## Mandatory questions added to service profile

From **May 2<sup>nd</sup>** additional questions will be added to the service profile:

### Facility Details section:

- **Two** new mandatory questions about wheelchair accessibility will be added. These questions were previously part of the Annual Early Years Sector Profile.

### Staff Information:

- New mandatory questions are added for each staff type.
- Two job titles will be removed from the 'Out of Ratio' staff type: AIM Level 7 (Assigned to specific children) and Equal Start Resource Allocation. Existing 'Out of Ratio' staff with these job titles will be updated to 'In Ratio Staff.' These need to be reviewed, and all mandatory fields updated.

***All new questions are mandatory,*** existing staff information needs to be review and updated.

# Annual Early Years Sector Profile 2024/25

The Annual Early Years Sector Profile 2024/25 can now be completed.

It is important that the data in your Service Profile is up to date at the time of the Annual Early Years Sector Profile survey.

**Please make sure your Service Profile has been updated on the Early Years Hive on or after Friday, 2 May. This ensures that the most up to date information is included in the data collected for the survey.**

All services are encouraged to complete the survey; however, completing this year's survey within the open window is **mandatory** for all existing Core Funding Partner Services. Services wishing to become a Core Funding Partner Service in the future must also complete the survey before submitting their Core Funding application.

For more information and support, please go to [AEYSP Survey - Service Provider Portal](#)

## AIM Non-term 2024/2025

Please submit your AIM Non-term 2024/2025 applications for the summer months on the Early Years Hive as soon as possible.

AIM Non-term applications may take up to 12 weeks to process.

When submitting an AIM Non-term application, we recommend you submit all dates in which AIM Non-term support is required over the summer period.

## Change of Circumstance

If you have already submitted your AIM Non-term applications and did not include the required summer dates, please submit a 'change of circumstance' review to add the relevant dates. Please note, AIM Non-term reviews may take up to 6 weeks to process.

A guide on how to submit a change of circumstances review can be found [here](#).



## MMR vaccine and measles awareness

HSE sent out communication on the importance of the MMR vaccine and being measles aware.

The letter and poster are attached to this weeks newsletter email.

# Everyday Spaces

 Tuesday, 13th May 2025

 4M – 8PM



Everyday Spaces Checklist ensures that babies, toddlers and young children are included in decision-making within their everyday work.

This course can form part of your QAP requirements for 25/26!

Complimentary light bites and refreshments will be available during the event

On completion of the Everyday Spaces, Early Years Educators training, participants will be able to:

- Describe the International and National rights, policy and legislative obligations of organisations in Ireland to involve babies, toddlers and young children in decision-making.
- Identify how the Participation Framework can support them to involve babies, toddlers and young children in decision-making in their everyday practice.
- Apply the Everyday Spaces Checklist through using practical approaches to listening to babies, toddlers and young children and involve them in decision-making in everyday settings.

**Follow this link to register:**

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/1304074194019?aff=oddttdtcreator>





## My Little Library 2025

All children who are due to start primary school this year are entitled to their free book bag, with books in English or 'as Gaeilge.'

The books and resources in the book bag, which is available in both English and 'as Gaeilge', support parents and their children in the transition to primary school.

From 9th of May 2025, all children completing the free universal pre-school Early Childhood Care and Education Programme and starting primary school are invited to visit their local library and pick up a free book bag.

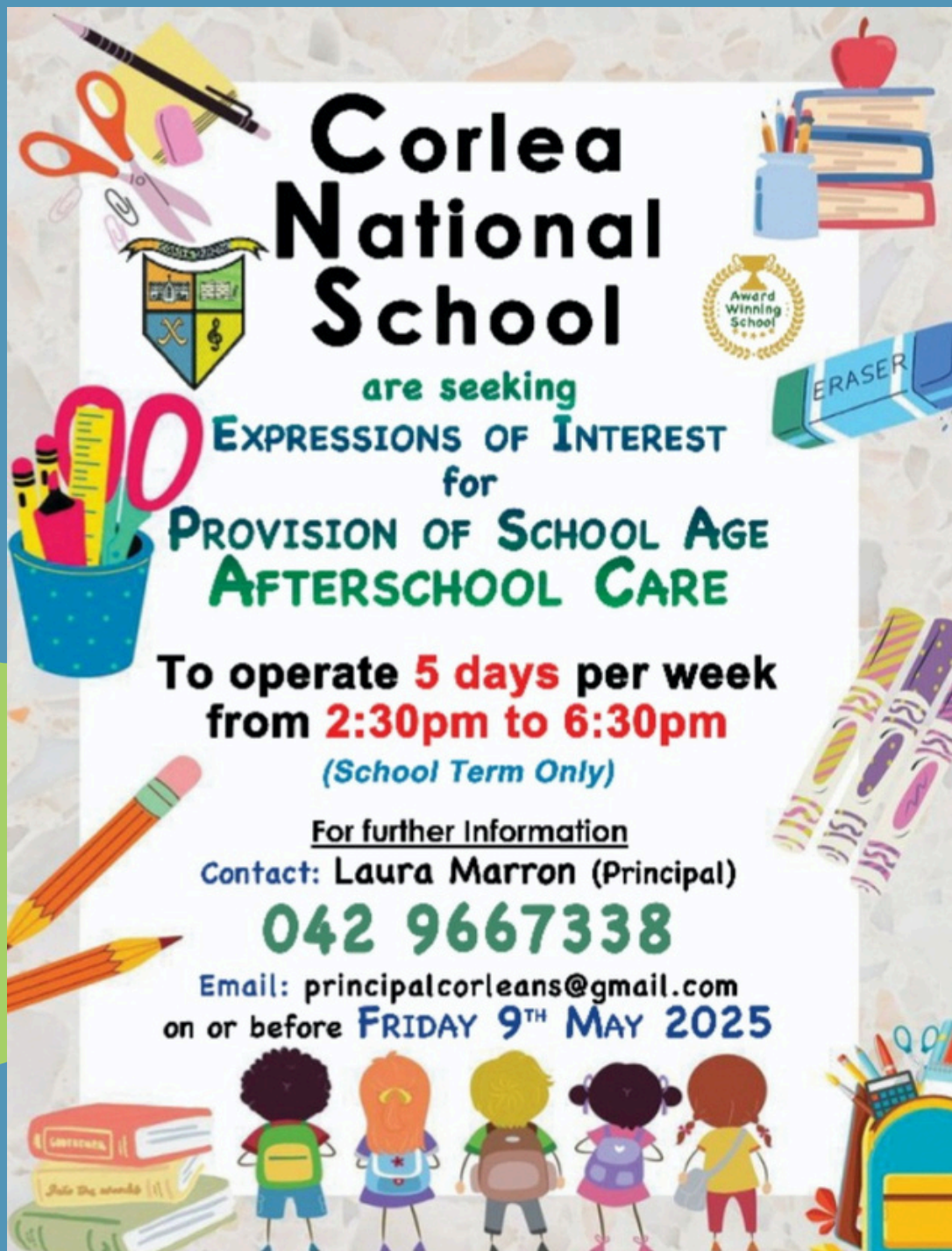
The bags will be available throughout the summer. All families are welcomed to join the library if they are not already members.

**My Little Library 2025 information is attached. Please share it with families using your service.**



# Expression of Interest for a new Afterschool Service

Corlea National School is seeking expressions of interest for the provision of School Age Afterschool Care. The service will operate five days a week, from 2:30 PM to 6:30 PM during the school term. Interested parties can contact Principal Laura Marron at 042 9667338 or by email at [principalcorleans@gmail.com](mailto:principalcorleans@gmail.com). Expressions of interest must be submitted on or before Friday, 9th May 2025.



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**To operate 5 days per week**  
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(School Term Only)

For further Information  
**Contact: Laura Marron (Principal)**  
**042 9667338**  
**Email: [principalcorleans@gmail.com](mailto:principalcorleans@gmail.com)**  
**on or before FRIDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2025**





# Summer Evening Courses

## Cavan FET Campus

CMETB Evening provision offers a wide range of courses, catering for learners of all ages and abilities. Our part-time evening timetable is designed to accommodate the busy schedules of working learners.

Module	Level	Start Date	Time	No of Weeks
Training and Development (Training Needs Identification & Design)	6	Jun 1, 2025	5-9pm	9
ICDL (Word Processing- Word)	N/A	Jun 1, 2025	6-9pm	5
QQI Excel - (Spreadsheet Methods)	5	Jun 1, 2025	6-9pm	12
Managing People	6	May 1, 2025	6-9pm	12
Bookkeeping	6	Jun 1, 2025	6-9pm	12
Dementia Care	5	Jun 1, 2025	6-9pm	18
Computer Aided Design- Autodesk	N/A	Jun 1, 2025	6-9pm	14
Payroll	6	Jun 1, 2025	6-9pm	12
Team Leadership for Childcare Settings	6	Jun 1, 2025	6-9pm	12
Business Management	6	Jun 1, 2025	6-9pm	12
Preparation for Further and Higher Education	N/A	Jun 1, 2025	6-9pm	6

Cavan FET Campus

Dublin Rd, Cavan H12 FW53

Courses will commence subject to numbers. Exact start dates will be confirmed after registration.

[eveningcourses@cmetb.ie](mailto:eveningcourses@cmetb.ie)



## BikeWeek

10th - 18th May 2025

It's **EASY**, It's **FUN**  
AND IT'S FOR **EVERYONE!**



Description: **Pedal Parade and Cycle Show**

Date: **Sunday 18th May**

Time: **10.30am**

Venue: **Con Smith Park, Cavan**

Age Limit: **Children 3+ for Parade, Cycle Show suitable for all the family**

To register: **Email [activetravel@cavancoco.ie](mailto:activetravel@cavancoco.ie)**



Visit [bikeweek.ie](http://bikeweek.ie)



**Early Years Programme**

19, 20, 22, 26 & 27 May 2025

**Working Things Out Programme**

14, 15, 19 & 20 May 2025

**Children's Programme**

9, 10, 11, 16 & 17 June 2025

**Special Needs Programme**

14, 15, 19 & 20 May 2025

**ADHD Programme**

13, 14, 15, 19 & 20 May 2025

**Parenting When Separated**

7, 8 & 14 May 2025

**Adolescents Programme**

5, 6, 11, 12 & 13 June 2025

**Healthy Families Programme**

19, 20, 26 & 27 November 2025

## Cavan Community News

We encourage all community childcare services to check out the latest edition of the Cavan Community ENews. Compiled weekly by Cavan Public Participation Network (PPN), this newsletter features updates from over 500 local groups, partner agencies, and funders. It's a useful resource for staying informed about local initiatives, events, and supports that may benefit the families you work with.

[Click here to view this week's edition.](#)





**Don't forget to follow us on Facebook and Instagram to keep up to date with everything Childcare related!**



**Remember you can also send on any job vacancies you have and anything else about your service that you would like us to share to:**  
**[admin@cavanccc.ie](mailto:admin@cavanccc.ie)**



**We love sharing positive stories! If your service has a recent success, inspiring initiative, or uplifting update, why not feature it in our weekly newsletter?**

**It's a great way to highlight the incredible work you do, celebrate achievements, and connect with the community. Send us your good news, and let's spread some positivity together!**

## **Covid Case Advice**

Please see below links to relevant information:

- [Preventing the spread of covid 19 in school or childcare - HSE](#)
- [Management of Infectious Disease in Childcare Facilities and Other Childcare Settings \(2012\)](#)
- General Covid-19 queries:  
Contact HSE on 1800 700 700 between 8 am and 8 pm Monday to Friday and 9 am - 5 pm Saturday and Sunday / [HSE Covid 19](#)

**As usual, if you have any queries or questions, please do not hesitate to contact us on:**  
**Tel: 049 436 5856**  
**Email:**  
**[admin@cavanccc.ie](mailto:admin@cavanccc.ie)**

**Regards, Cavan  
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