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NEWS



Deadlines and Important Dates

25 June 2025:

Closing date for the Nurturing Skills Learner Fund (NSLF)

31 July 2025: QIPP Report recommended date

Template completion

Wednesday 24th September - 10am – 2.30pm in the Kilmore Hotel Cavan

Cavan County Childcare Committee is planning to host a Childcare Careers Fair Day on Wednesday, 24th September 2025, from 10:00am to 2:30pm in the Kilmore Hotel, Cavan.

There are several key reasons behind organising this event:

- Ongoing challenges in recruiting new staff within the childcare sector
- Bringing together all organisations involved in the Early Years sector under one roof, including Cavan Monaghan ETB, Cavan Institute, DSP, and others
- Providing an opportunity for students and DSP clients to speak directly with relevant organisations
- Supporting Early Years services in connecting with potential new team members
- Encouraging individuals to consider a career in the Early Years and childcare sector
- Raising awareness and promoting the role of childminders and the childminding sector

We would greatly appreciate your support in hosting a stand on the day.

Please complete this <u>MS Forms</u> if you think you can place a stand on the 24th September. Even if you can only do the morning/or from 12pm onwards that's fine.





2025/2026 Programme Readiness

Programme readiness tasks for Core Funding, ECCE, NCS & CCSP Saver are now available for completion on HIVE. All guidance and support documents are available in the Resources section of HIVE.

The Announcements issued on 6 June & 9 June also contain links directly to the specific support documents including programme checklists.

QIPP Report Template 2024/2025

QIPP report template 2024/2025 is now available for completion on <u>www.cfcrrs.ie</u>. Services are strongly encouraged to complete the end-of-year QIPP report by Thursday 31 July 2025.

The final deadline for completion is Tuesday 30 September 2025. A QIPP Technical Guidance Video:

How to Complete a QIPP Report is available <u>here</u>

Year 4 Core Funding updates

Following the recent announcement by Minister Foley on the changes to Year 4 Core Funding (2025/2026), the 'What's new for Partner Services in Core Funding Year 4 2025-26' document as well as other support documents are available on HIVE and through the following link;

Core Funding Q&A

Access and Inclusion Model (AIM) Level S Equipment Journey Infographic

An <u>Access and Inclusion Model (AIM) Level 5 Equipment</u> Journey Infographic is now available under the Help & Support section on the Early Years Hive. The infographic provides a snapshot of the journey of AIM Level 5 Equipment.



Early Years Digital Portfolio Project

The <u>Early Years Digital Project</u> (EYDP) is a European Erasmus+ + project. It aims to give early years educators the tools to easily and effectively share information with parents about their children's progress in early years settings. It is based on Pedagogical Documentation developed in Emilia Reggio and has been adapted in many ways in different countries. However, it is little used in Ireland.

Project partners are based in Portugal, Italy, and Romania, and the project is informed by the differing practices in each country. In Ireland, ULS (Universal Learning Systems) is the project partner, with Steve Goode, Imelda Graham, and Alan Bruce conducting the research and development. Resources developed include:

1. Handbook on Pedagogical Documentation: <u>Welcome to the "Early Years Digital Portfolio" EYDP project</u>

2. Online training course which provides lots of useful information and examples of how to introduce Pedagogical Documentation into the Early Years Sector:

Welcome to the "Early Years Digital Portfolio" EYDP project

3. The first iteration of the Digital platform is now available. They are starting to develop ways in which it can be used to develop Pedagogical Documentation: <u>EYdigifolio</u>

The Project Team are inviting early years educators to look at the online training programme that has been developed so that they can make any final adjustments and make it useful and beneficial to all early years educators. An evaluation form of the online training programme can be found at:

Welcome to the "Early Years Digital Portfolio" EYDP project

My Little Library 2025

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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.



The Deparment of Children, Disability and Equality (DCDE) have asked to share the following information and resources with parents and families:

<u>Let's get Ready</u> helps to prepare children for pre-school and has lots of useful information on:

- Starting pre-school
- Starting primary school
- Information for families with children of disabilities.
- Information resources.

<u>Let's Play Ireland</u> is an annual government-led campaign designed to remind everyone, young and old, of the fundamental importance of play. It has tonnes of information on:

- Types of Play
- Rainy day ideas
- Messy play ideas
- Family fun ideas and free outdoor and indoor adventures
- Family events throughout the summer







An Roinn Leanaí, Comhionannais, Míchumais, Lánpháirtíochta agus Óige Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth



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Childcare Committee County Cavan

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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



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:

- <u>Preventing the spread of covid</u> <u>19 in school or childcare - HSE</u>
- <u>Management of Infectious</u> <u>Disease in Childcare Facilities</u> <u>and Other Childcare Settings</u> (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 / <u>HSE</u> <u>Covid 19</u>

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

Regards, Cavan County Childcare Committee