

#### Weekly Newsletter 8th to 12th December 2025

#### 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

You can see all the up to date vacancies on our website here:

https://cavanccc.ie/jobsboard/



## Deadlines and Important Dates

#### 12th December 2025:

Aim Level 7 Review and Confirm







#### Force Majeure

In the event of a service closure due to Storm Bram, a Force Majeure application and evidence of the requirement to close **must** be submitted on HIVE within **5 working days** of the closure.

The application form can be found <u>HERE</u> and must be submitted via a Request on Hive

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#### Closures & Changes

Pobal have updated the online process of how to report some changes of circumstance, including change of address, change of ownership, change of legal structure & exit from one or more programmes. Both Service Provider closure and Organisation closure can also be reported online.

More information can be found in the links below:

Webinar recording

**Early Years Hive resources** 

#### NCS maintenance- End of Year 2025

It may be necessary to make important changes for the NCS on HIVE as the year comes to an end.

#### **NCS Calendar:**

All service closures must be marked on your NCS calendar, closures must be marked as subsidised or not. Retrospective changes cannot be made to the NCS calendar

#### **NCS Weekly Returns:**

Weekly reporting requirements remain in place during the Christmas and New Year period.

#### **NCS Bridging Payments:**

Services closed for one full week or two consecutive weeks and at least one of the days in this period is designated as a subsidised closure, will be given the option to request a bridging provision of the closed week(s) on the NCS Return one week before closure.

#### **Grace Period:**

Services who missed the opportunity to avail of a bridging payment can apply for a grace period payment if they are unable to submit an NCS return due to closure.

Further details on these processes can be found in the Announcement Section.

#### AIM Level 1 Review and Confirm

Today is the final day to submit a Review & Confirm for any child who received AIM L7 support in 2024/25 and continue to receive these supports in 2025/26.

You can find a guide for submitting an AIM Level 7 Review and Confirm application <u>here.</u>



Dept. of Education and Youth's Primary School Survey is due to close on December 16.

The survey can be accessed <u>here</u>







#### Auto Enrolment Scheme

The auto-enrolment pension scheme,
My Future Fund, is commencing on 1 January 2026.

A recording of the webinar on auto-enrolment held for the ELC and SAC sector is available on on <a href="https://youtu.be/0y5oNbuPx14">https://youtu.be/0y5oNbuPx14</a>

Responses to the FAQs raised at that webinar are attached to the bulletin.

## Role of the Inclusion Coordinator (INCO) Posters

The most up to date versions of the Role of the Inclusion Coordinator posters can be accessed on the following links:

<u>English Poster – PDF</u>

English Poster – JPG

<u>Irish Poster – PDF</u>

<u>Irish Poster – JPG</u>







### Compliance 2026/2026 training webinars

Pobal conducted compliance training recently. The recordings of the training have been uploaded to Hive should you wish to review during this programme year.

Click here to access.

#### Garda Vetting Process

Use of Marriage Cert during Garda Vetting Process.

Marriage certificates for any non-matching names on Garda Vetting Applications are no longer accepted as proof of names by GNVB.

This change came into effect from Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November. Updated Tusla FAQ documents can be found here

#### NCS Attendance Rules

For information on NCS rules on recording attendance including on absenteeism and under-attendance please click <u>here</u>

## OECO TALIS Starting Strong 2024 Survey

This week the Minister for Children, Disability and Equality, Norma Foley, T.D, welcomed new findings from the OECD TALIS Starting Strong 2024 survey, which provides a comprehensive picture of Ireland's early learning and care (ELC) workforce, alongside other OECD jurisdictions.

The survey collected data from early years educators and managers in centre-based early learning and care settings in Ireland, serving children from birth up to school age.

The full report and country notes can be viewed <u>here</u>

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#### SATURDAY MORNING FUN

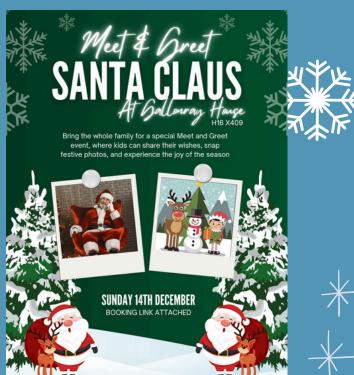
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**EVERY SATURDAY** 

STORYTIME FOR 3 – 7 YEARS

LEGO PLAYTIME FOR 5+ YEARS 11.30AM – 12.30PM

Come in and have a fun day with your family, whether it's joining in for storytime with our staff, lego free-play, colouring in or simply reading one of our many wonderful books!





returns to the region!

ALL TYPES OF VEHICLES LORRIES, CARS, TRACTORS, VANS ETC.

Christmas Run 2025
Save the Date

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> Dec

Spread the word - details to follow

#### 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 weeks newsletter.

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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



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#### Covid Case Advice

Please see below links to relevant information:

- Preventing the spread of covid 19 in school or childcare - HSE
- <u>Management</u> of <u>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 / HSE Covid 19

As usual, if you have any queries or questions, please do not hesitate to contact us on:
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Regards, Cavan County Childcare Committee