



Wexford CYPSC Newsletter

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WEBINARS & TRAINING

► “See Me, Think About Me, Ask About Me” Webinar : Thursday 13th June 10am-11.30am



Please register for your free place on [Eventbrite](#)

Join us for the launch of two new resources to raise awareness of the impact of Domestic Violence and Abuse on the very young child (pregnancy to pre-school).

With key note by Dr Wendy Bunston, Australian trainer, consultant, lecturer, family therapist and IMH practitioner who specialises in working with infants, children and their parents impacted by family violence and address by the Minister for Justice, Helen McEntee TD.

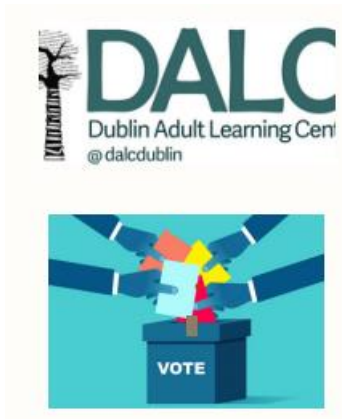
Barnardos was established in 1962 with the vision to ensure all vulnerable children in Ireland get the support they need to overcome childhood adversity. In 2019 Barnardos, in partnership with Tusla, established the Childhood Domestic Violence and Abuse Project (CDVA) with the overall purpose to assist in increasing the visibility of childhood domestic abuse; to support a collective and collaborative approach to identifying the needs of children; and to delivering effective services in response.

The CDVA project identified a need to enhance our understanding of the impact of domestic violence and abuse on the very young (children aged 0-5 years old) including pregnancy. Over the course of 3 years, the CDVA project collaborated with mothers surviving domestic violence and abuse, young children in early years and pre-school settings, academics and our colleagues across the early years services, infant mental health and specialist domestic violence services. The result is a new resource called

‘Notice me – Think about me – Ask about me’ - two resources in one:

1. **An animation**, which raises awareness of the impact of domestic violence and abuse on the young child, from pregnancy to preschool.
2. **An accompanying document** that offers some accessible information for professionals responding to the needs of children and families.

► Voter Voices



Please see below and attached from City of Dublin ETB's Dublin Adult Learning Centre (DALC). There are some interesting links to information and videos on 'How to Vote'.

We are also sharing some excellent resources developed by **The Electoral Commission** here:

Introduction/context by Art O'Leary, CEO An Coimisiún Toghcháin, The Electoral Commission: <https://vimeo.com/948322232/4e53898d08>

How to Vote: <https://www.electoralcommission.ie/how-to-vote/>

Accessible Voting Information: <https://www.electoralcommission.ie/accessible-voting/>

*Any observations or **feedback** would be really welcome. Please email Sarah on:* Sarah.Keaveney@electoralcommission.ie

Finally, some resources from **Aontas**:

[AONTAS Guide for Engaging with Local and European Election Candidates final.pdf](#)

[Voting, democracy, and active citizenship: Belmayne Community Group and a visit to the Dáil | Aontas](#)

► **Gorey Further Education and Training Centre - Free Classes**



Reading, Writing, Spelling, Maths

WWETB run free classes for adults in Gorey.

Daytime or evening, once a week.

Contact - Sheila 086 8424246

We would be delighted to hear from you!



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Education and Training Board

- ❖ Maths Skills Classes for Adults
- ❖ Reading, Writing, Spelling
- ❖ Non-accredited Digital Skills Classes
- ❖ QQI Level 3 Internet Skills class.

See [poster for maths](#) and [poster for everyday technology for beginners](#).

Or Contact Sheila at Tel: 086 842 4246

► Helium Arts Free Creative Workshops



Hello from Helium Arts,

Do you know a young person living with a lifelong health condition who could benefit from making social connections through creativity?

Helium Arts is a children's charity committed to improving the well-being of children and young people in Ireland, **aged 6-16**, who are living with **lifelong physical health conditions**.

We offer free creative workshops, both in communities and online, led by professional artists. These workshops provide safe and accessible spaces where children navigating health conditions can come together.

We use creativity to inspire these children to feel more confident. By empowering them with tools such as friendship, community and new skills, Helium Arts helps these children to become more prepared and capable of overcoming adversity.

Supported conditions include **diabetes, epilepsy, cystic fibrosis, cerebral palsy, allergies, heart conditions, asthma, spina bifida, juvenile arthritis, rare or complex conditions and many more**.

According to a recent independent evaluation of our community programme,

“100% of parents reported that their child experienced an improved quality of life after participating in Helium Arts workshops.”

This is a testament to the positive impact of our work on the lives of these young individuals and their families.

Registrations are now OPEN for our FREE Summer Camps in Dublin and online.

We would appreciate it if you could help spread the word among your networks.

To sign up, simply click on the links below:

Ages 6-8

1) [Online Summer Saturdays](#)

4-Week On & Offline Creative Programme: 6-27 Jul

Ages 8-12

1) [Dublin In-Person Summer Camp](#)

16-18 Jul

2) [Online Summer Saturdays](#)

4-Week On & Offline Creative Programme: 6-27 Jul

Ages 13-16

1) [Online Youth Summer Camp](#)

16, 18 & 20 Jul

All of our workshops are facilitated by professional artists, with the support of our friendly volunteers and on-site medical support (if needed).

If you're not sure what to expect at a Helium Arts workshop...

Bring your family and friends and come along to our [open studio taster workshop on Cruinniú na nÓg, Saturday, June 15th, from 9 AM to 4 PM.](#)

Everyone is welcome at this free, drop-in event—no booking necessary!

Spread the Word

We would greatly appreciate your help in spreading the word about our upcoming workshops. You can forward this email to your contacts, or if you prefer, we can provide materials for social media sharing, posters, flyers, and even text for WhatsApp messages. Just let me know your preference, and I'll be happy to assist.

If you have any questions at all please don't hesitate to contact me.

Thank you,

Cathy.

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► Traveller Culture Awareness Training : One Day Training

Type of Training:	Face to Face One Day training
Title of training module:	<i>Traveller Culture Awareness Training (TCAT)</i>
When – Date & Time:	11 th of June: 09.30 – 13.30 24 th of September: 09.30 – 13.30 22 nd of October: 09.30 -13.30 Please state which date you wish to attend
Where	Kilcannon Garden Centre training rooms Y21F5D7
Contact Details:	Laura Myles – lmyles@WLD.ie Zoe Doheny – zoe.doheny@hse.ie

Information about the event:

The TCAT programme aims to improve Travellers' health through the provision of education and awareness raising on Traveller culture and issues, to health service staff and other public service staff so to make their services more accessible and thus have an impact on Traveller health outcomes. There is no fee to take part in the training. Certification of Attendance, Traveller Health Sticker are provided on completion for display within services.

Prior Training requirement:

Completion of the HSEland online module: "Introduction to Traveller Health"



► Fostering Information Sessions in Enniscorthy & Wexford



Tusla Fostering

We foster, could you?

Want to make a positive difference to a child's life? Every foster child's journey begins with a person like you.

Visit: fostering.ie
Freephone: 1800 226 771
Email: tusla.fostering@tusla.ie

Upcoming Information Event

Tuesday 4th June	Thursday 20th June
Riverside Park Hotel	Riverbank Hotel
Enniscorthy	Wexford Town
Morning – 10am-12.pm	Morning – 10am-12.pm
Evening – 7pm-9pm	Evening – 7pm-9pm

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Tusla Fostering services in Wexford will be holding a number of information sessions for anyone who may be interested in becoming a Foster Carer. The information sessions are an opportunity to meet in person, foster carers and members of the Tusla fostering team. The information sessions are informal and will provide an chance to learn what is involved in becoming a Foster Carer and for you to get questions you might have answered.

The times for the information sessions are:

Tuesday 4th June at the Riverside Park Hotel in **Enniscorthy**. Two sessions – 10am 0 12pm and 7pm-9pm.

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