



## Wexford CYPSC Newsletter

10 July 2026

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## EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

### ► Deadline Extended - “Girls Get Active” invitation for Expressions of Interest



Wexford CYPSC together with Gorey Youth Needs Group and Wexford Sports Active, Local Sports Partnership are offering groups the opportunity to participate in the “Girls Get Active” programme in Autumn 2026. This programme is funded through the Healthy Ireland Fund.

This programme is targeted at girls aged 12-16 years. It will be rolled out in Autumn, aiming to start during the month of September 2026. Details of the programme are available in the [Expression of Interest form](#) which is available here. This form includes information on eligibility criteria etc.

Groups who are interested in participating should submit **P.3 and P.4** of the EoI form together with the [Costings Form](#).

**Submission Date** : Expression of Interest forms must be returned to [Nicola.collins@wexfordcoco.ie](mailto:Nicola.collins@wexfordcoco.ie) by **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> of July** by **5pm**. Late submissions will not be accepted.

## EVENTS & CAMPAIGNS

### ► Gorey FRC Summer Camp Fun for Children (Ages 6–12)

Join one of our summer Camps and get ready for three unforgettable days of creativity, discovery, and adventure! From jewellery making, arts & Crafts with Caroline Bergin, clay & pottery fun, exciting science experiments with the Nutty Scientist, games, creative stone painting and plenty of laughter.

Children will make new friends, learn new skills, and take home their own handmade creations. Every day is filled with imaginative activities designed to inspire creativity and build confidence in a fun, welcoming environment.

Contact Anne on 089 2732388 or email [anne@goreyfrc.ie](mailto:anne@goreyfrc.ie) to book a place.

**Nutty Scientist**

# SUMMER CAMP

GOREY FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE

Get ready for a summer packed with fun, friendship, creativity, and adventure! Our exciting Summer Camp welcomes children aged 6–12 years, with age-appropriate activities designed to keep every child engaged, active and smiling.

**2 X 3-DAY CAMPS**

## 6–12 YEARS

For our older adventurers, every week brings something new! From jewellery making, arts & crafts with Caroline Bergin, exciting science experiments to pottery & clay fun, and action-packed games, there's something for every interest and imagination.

**TIMES:**  
11.00am – 12.30pm • 2.30pm – 4pm

- MAKE NEW FRIENDS
- LEARN & DISCOVER
- BUILD CONFIDENCE
- STAY ACTIVE & HAVE FUN
- CREATE LASTING MEMORIES

**Cost: €20 per week**

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

<b>WEEK 1</b> 21st - 23rd July	<b>WEEK 2</b> 28th - 30th July
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Contact Anne on [anne@goreyfrc.ie](mailto:anne@goreyfrc.ie) or call/text 089 2732388 to book a place.

Children must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. Cost €20 per week.

**BOOK TODAY!**

## ► Wexford Town Library Events



### **Butterfly Craft with Angela - July 11, 2026 - 11.30am-12.30pm. Suitable for ages 5+**

Let your creativity take flight at our fun and colourful Butterfly Craft Workshop in Wexford Library, as part of the Summer Stars Reading Programme!

Children aged 5 and over are invited to join us for a hands-on session where we'll upcycle cardboard tubes into beautiful butterflies using coloured tissue, glitter, and pipe cleaners.

This is a fantastic opportunity to get crafty, spark imagination, and celebrate summer in a fun and friendly environment.

**Booking is essential:** <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4564456>



### **Weaving Our Footsteps with Rachel Sweeney - July 17<sup>th</sup> - 11.00am-12.00pm.**

#### **Suitable for ages: 5–8**

Dance and move like people all around the world.

Join dancer Rachel Sweeney for a fun and friendly dance workshop made especially for younger children. Together, we'll learn exciting moves and rhythms from different places, including Irish Céilí, African Dakbe, and swing-style Lindy Hop.

We'll stomp, clap, step, and spin—just like animals in nature. Try movements inspired by pecking birds, bowing shapes, and strong stomps. We'll also explore patterns like weaving and braiding with our bodies.

Come ready to move, play, and have fun with friends while discovering how dance connects people all over the world

Ages: 5–8

**Booking is essential:** <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4562872>



**Summer Stars Arts and Crafts: Clothes Peg People with Loretta Rose - July 18<sup>th</sup> - 2.30pm-3.30pm. Suitable for ages 7-12.**

This arts and craft workshop is for children aged 7-12 years old. In it we'll make a fabulous doll person out of clothes pegs and turn it into a keychain ring for you to show off on your backpack or even sports jersey!

Suitable for ages 7-12.

**Booking is essential:** <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4547342>



**Art in the Open - Making the most of your Sketchbook - July 25<sup>th</sup> 2.00pm-3.45pm. Suitable for ages 12-17**

Join talented watercolour artist Sebastian Thommen for a fun, hands-on workshop designed to help young creatives unlock the full potential of their sketchbooks. In Making the Most of Your Sketchbook, participants will learn how to turn simple sketches into vibrant, expressive works of art. Through guided exercises and playful experimentation with watercolour, students will discover techniques for observing the world around them, developing ideas, and building a daily sketching habit. Perfect for budding artists aged 12–17, this workshop is all about creativity, confidence, and enjoying the process of making art.

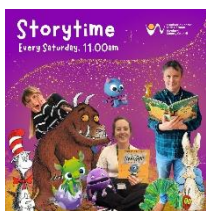
Sketchbooks will be provided for all participants, so all you need to bring is your imagination!

**Booking is essential:** <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4555073>



**Lego Free Play every Saturday from 11:00am - 3:00pm. Suitable for ages 5yrs+**

LEGO Free Play tables available on our Children's floor area from 11am to 3pm. Free to attend. LEGO will be made available for children and families to build their very own designs. Get Creative. Children should be supervised at all times when visiting Wexford Library. **No booking required.**



**Story Time every Saturday, 11.00am-11:30am, Suitable for children aged 3–7 years.** Join us for Story Time in Wexford Library every Saturday morning. Children should be supervised at all times when visiting Wexford Library. **No booking required.**

**Sensory Hour, Every Saturday from 4.00pm-5.00pm.**

Sensory Hour supports library users who have sensory, extra, and/or additional needs. It offers a calm and sensory family friendly environment.



**Rhyme Time, every Wednesday, 11.00am-11:30am. Suitable for children aged 0–3 years.**

These fun, free and interactive Rhyme Time sessions are perfect for babies and toddlers. Children should be supervised at all times when visiting Wexford Library. No booking required.

**All events are FREE.** Wexford Public Libraries App. Access your library 24/7. Online resources include eBooks, eAudiobooks, eMagazines, eNewspapers, eComics & Graphic Novels, music, take eLearning or language courses, business, education, and research databases and more. **Library membership is free.**

<https://www.wexfordcoco.ie/libraries/whats-on-in-my-library>



**Summer Stars Craft - July 30<sup>th</sup> - 3.00pm-4.00pm. Suitable for ages 6-10**

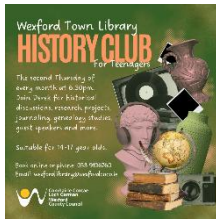
Treasure Maps and Magic Book Doors: a Craft Adventure for Young Readers!

Celebrate Summer Stars with this fun craft workshop for ages 6-10.

Create your very own treasure map, filled with exciting places inspired by the books you love!

When you find the treasure chest, you'll uncover a magical book door - your passport to any world you can imagine!

**Booking is essential:** <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4564459>



**History Club for Teenagers, every second Thursday- 6:30pm - 7:30pm. Suitable for ages 14-17**

Join Derek on the second Thursday of every month at 6.30pm for historical discussions, research projects, journaling, genealogy studies, guest speakers and more. The club is suitable for 14-17 year olds.

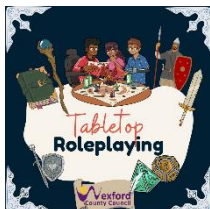


**Baby Tummy Time, every second Friday - 11.00am-11.45am.**

Join us for a Baby Tummy Time session in Wexford Library.

According to the HSE, Tummy time helps to strengthen baby's head, neck, and back muscles. Your baby can begin tummy time as a newborn and continue to do it throughout their first year.

We will provide books for babies and there will also be books on parenting available to borrow. This is a great opportunity to meet other parents and babies.



**Tabletop Roleplaying Club: Dungeons & Dragons - July 14<sup>th</sup> - 6.30pm-8.30pm. Suitable for ages 13-17 years.**

Are you ready to embark on an epic adventure? 🎲🐉 Well then, join us at Wexford Library for tabletop role-playing gaming and unleash your imagination!

Don't worry if you're new to the game. Our library is the perfect place to start your journey. Our sessions are run by seasoned players and they are eager to guide you through the exciting process of character creation and rule mechanics. They'll make sure you're equipped with everything you need to start your heroic escapades!

## ► Bunclody Library Events

### Summer Stars Reading Adventure 2026

Registration for our Summer Stars 2026 Reading Adventure is now open. We will have lots of fun activities and rewards throughout the summer and encourage all the children in the area to come into the library with their parents/guardians and sign up. Call into the library to find out more.



### Summer Stars: Grown Ups & Me Storytime & Craft for ages 4-7 years

Join us for a storytime & craft session for parents/guardians and their children ages 4-7 years. Together, we will read some stories and create a little craft to bring home.

Booking essential as spaces are limited. Please book for the child only.

Parents/guardians must remain with the child during this event. **To book a space, please visit:** <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4564293>



### Rhymetime for ages 0 to 5 years - every Wednesday at 11.15am

Join us for Rhymetime every Wednesday when will have lots of fun nursery rhymes and stories suitable for babies and toddlers followed by a Duplo play session. No booking required.



**Sensory Afternoon- Every Friday 3-5pm in July**, Sensory Friendly hour will be observed in Bunclody Library. We encourage you to come along and relax in the calm environment of the library. **No booking required.** All welcome!

### Sensory Basket

A sensory basket containing various sensory toys/books available for children to use while visiting the library. Just ask at the desk.



### **Colouring Station – Every Monday in July, 3.00 to 5.00pm**

Pop into the library for our Summer Stars colouring station each Monday in July. This is a fun activity for all the family to participate in. All materials will be provided. **No need to book - all welcome!**



### **Just Read! Junior Book Club - Friday 26th June, 3.30 to 4.00pm**

Join Shane for our Just Read! Junior Book Club for ages 9 to 12 years. If you are interested in joining the book club, please telephone the library on 053 9375466.



### **Saturday Storytime for ages 3 to 7 years - Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July, 11.00 to 11.40am**

Join us every Saturday morning for stories and songs for ages 3 to 7 years. **No need to book - all welcome!**



### **Crafternoon At Bunclody Library**

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2.30-3.30pm. For ages 7+. Booking required:

<https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4564291>



**Lego Free Play – Every Tuesday in July, 3.00 to 5.00pm**

Join us for Lego Free Play afternoon every Tuesday in July. Perfect for ages 4+, we have Duplo and Lego to let the children’s creativity shine! Parents/Guardians must remain in the library for the duration of the event. No need to book. All welcome.



**Summer Creation Station- Every Thursday from 3-5pm in July.**

Family Creative Event. All welcome.



**Crafternoon At Bunclody Library, Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2.30-3.30pm.**

For ages 7+. Booking required: <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4564290>

## ► Enniscorthy Library Events



### **Interactive Story Time at Enniscorthy Library**

Join us in Enniscorthy Library every Saturday at 11am for our Interactive Story Time! Perfect for 3-5 years old but fun for everyone!

**All welcome and no booking required.**

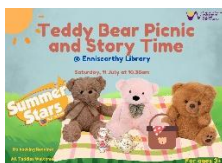


### **LEGO Free Play at Enniscorthy Library - every Saturday 11.30am-5pm.**

Enniscorthy Library invites you and your family to join us for a session of LEGO Free Play, LEGO will be made available for children and families to build their very own designs. This session is suitable for ages 5+.

**Please note we're closed for lunch from 1pm-2pm.**

**No Booking Required**



### **Teddy Bear Picnic and Storytime, Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup> @10.30am**

Join us for a morning of stories and cuddly fun at Enniscorthy Library!

Bring your favourite teddy bear for the company and settle in for a story time session.

After the stories, little ones can enjoy a teddy bear picnic, making new friends along the way.

Perfect for 3-6 years old but fun for everyone!

Through the magic of storytelling, children are transported to far-off lands, introduced to diverse characters, and exposed to a rich tapestry of language, all while developing fundamental literacy skills such as vocabulary acquisition, comprehension, and phonological awareness.

**All welcome and no booking required.**



### **Peg Person Art Workshops, Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup> @2.15pm and 3.30pm**

This fun arts and crafts workshop, provided by Loretta Rose, is designed for children aged 7–12.

Participants will create a charming doll figure using clothes pegs, then transform it into a unique keyring—perfect for showing off on a backpack or even a sports jersey!

Please register here:

2.15pm: <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4555096>

3.30pm: <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4555097>



### **Going to Big School Story Time, Thursday, July 16<sup>th</sup> @4.30pm**

Join us for a fun and friendly Story Time for preschoolers who will be moving on to big school this September.

We'll read stories about starting school, making friends and learning new things – perfect for easing first-day nerves.

There is a free Little Library Book Bag for every child starting school in 2025! If you haven't already collected yours, come along and take home your bag of stories and fun.

Please register here: <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4562582>



### **Teen Mario Kart Tournament, Thursday, July 16<sup>th</sup> @6pm**

Ready, set, RACE! If you are between the ages of 13 and 17 and think you have what it takes to be crowned Enniscorthy Library's Mario Kart Champion, why not join us for our very first Mario Kart Tournament!

Choose from a selection of iconic Mario characters and test your driving skills by racing to the finish line with other fast and furious competitors.

We will provide the console and controllers for the tournament, but feel free to bring along your own Switch and try out some of our other games between rounds.

Please register here: <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4554903>



### **Family Movie, Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup> @2.30pm**

Take time out this July and join us for Family Movie at the library.

Gather your family and friends and enjoy a heart warming animated adventure all in the welcoming setting of the library.

We'll have comfortable seating and fantastic movie that's perfect for all ages.

Best of all, it's free and open to everyone!

Contact the library for more information.

Please register here: <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4562584>



### **Community Services Family Day, Thursday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> @12pm**

Bring the whole family and discover what happens behind the scenes at your local Garda Station, Library, Fire Station and Civil Defence.

- Meet the people who make our community a safer and stronger place
- Collect a stamp at each stop on your Community Passport
- Activities throughout the day
- Free fun for all ages

**All welcome, no booking required**



### **Higgle - Creative Workshop for Children, Friday, July 24<sup>th</sup> @11am and 12.30pm**

Join us for a Higgle Creative Workshop, designed to inspire children to explore materials, collaborate with others, and develop problem-solving skills through art. Grace Brennan, founder of Higgle, personally leads each workshop. Her sessions nurture curiosity, imagination, and creative confidence, encouraging children to experiment with a wide range of recycled and accessible materials.

**Please register here:**

11am session for ages 6-8: <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4562642>

12.30pm session for ages 9-12: <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4562643>



**Imagination Station, Tuesday, July 28<sup>th</sup> - Thursday, July 30<sup>th</sup> from 11am to 4pm**

Join us at the library this summer for a series of free drop-in play sessions for children and families.

Each day offers something little different, with spaces design for children to relax, explore and create at their own pace.

**Cosy Reading Room** - Tuesday, 28th July from 11.00am-4pm

Step into our cosy reading room filled with lovely selection of books and story sacks.

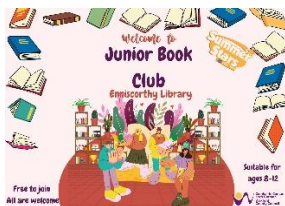
**Sensory Play Room** - Wednesday, 29th July from 11.00am-4pm

Our sensory play room will be full of activities including LEGO, sensory toys, play dough and drawing.

**Harry Potter Craft and Create Room (for ages 9+)** - Thursday, 30th July from 11.00am-4.00pm

Get creative with our free play Harry Potter craft session where children can experiment with materials and make their own creations to take home.

All welcome, no booking required.



**Junior Book Club, Thursday, July 30<sup>th</sup> @3.30pm**

Would your child like to join our free book club here at Enniscorthy Library?

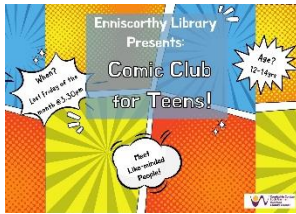
Suitable for ages 8 - 12, the children get together monthly to talk about books in all genres and to share a love of books.

We explore new styles together to encourage reading and to develop a love for books.

This club is about reading for pleasure, making friends and doing some fun activities, drawing or writing too.

If you would like to know more, ask at the desk of the library or ring us on 053 9236055.

**Please register here:** <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4562625>



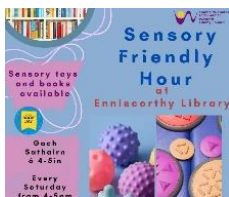
**Comic Club for Teens , Friday, July 31<sup>st</sup> @3.30pm**

Love a good story told in both pictures and words? Want to meet like-minded people? Join fellow comic book lovers for a discussion, board games and a chat.

If you are between the ages of 13 and 15 years, why not drop in and see for yourself! Take a friend with you.

The library is a relaxed environment where you will be able to chat and share views with no judgement, interesting conversation, and lots of chat & fun!

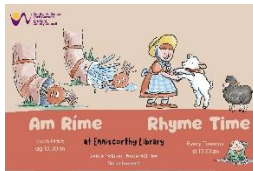
**Please register here:** <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4538453>



**Sensory Friendly Hour at Enniscorthy Library - Every Saturday from 4-5pm**

Sensory Friendly Hour will be observed in Enniscorthy Library.

We encourage you to come along and relax in the calm environment of the library. No booking required. All welcome!



**Baby and Toddler Rhyme Time at Enniscorthy Library - every Tuesday at 10.30am**

Join us in Enniscorthy Library for songs, stories and rhymes!

Perfect for up to 3 years old but fun for everyone!

Through rhymes children naturally learn essential skills for communicating such as turn-taking and joining in.

**All welcome and no booking required.**

## ► New Ross Library Events

### Dates for Regular Library Events

**Grúpa Comhrá Gaeilge:** First Tuesday of the month at 19:00. Also on the third Wednesday of the month at 14:00

**Board Games Night for Adults:** First Tuesday of the month at 18:30.

**Creative Writing Group with Local Author Tina Callaghan:** Second Tuesday at 18:00.

**Adult Book Club:** Second Tuesday of the month at 19:00.

**Scrabble Club:** Every Wednesday, 15:00 to 17:00.

**Emergent Readers Book Club:** Second and Last Thursday at 15:00.

**English Conversation Hour:** Last Friday of the Month 10:30 - 11:30.

**Knitting & Crochet Circle:** Meet this month on Tuesday, 14 & 28 July, 15:00 - 16:00.

### Regular events for kids!

#### Rhymetime.

Every Thursday, 11:00 - 11:30.

Join us for a fun-packed session for babies and toddlers with lots rhymes and songs!

No need to book, just pop in and join the fun!



Most Saturday's - July 4, 11 & 25



Monthly

- All events are free to attend and we look forward to welcoming you.
- Please note that booking is essential for most of our events.
- A Parent or Guardian must supervise children at all times.

Should you require additional supports or further information, please contact the library on 053 9196722 or email [newrosslibrary@wexfordcoco.ie](mailto:newrosslibrary@wexfordcoco.ie).

### New Ross Library July Newsletter

If you would like make a booking or get more information call 053 9196722.  
Booking is essential to attend events.

#### Adult Events



**Birding in Wexford Across the Seasons with Cian Cardiff.**

Tuesday, 21 July, 19:00 - 20:00.

Booking Essential.



**Deep Time Walk with artist and ecologist Rachel Sweeney.**

Tuesday, 23 July, 14:00 - 16:00.

Booking essential.



**The Palatines in County Wexford: a local history talk with Bernard Browne.**

Tuesday, 28 July, 19:00 - 20:00.

Booking Essential.



**The 1926 Census of Ireland with genealogist Bernie Walsh.**

Tuesday, 18 August, 19:00 - 20:00.

Booking Essential.



### Summer of Story Time with crafts & activities

Wednesdays from July 15th, 11:00 - 12:00.

For ages 3-6 years.

### Chess Classes with chess master Jurica

Saturdays in July, 14:00 - 15:30

For ages 6-12 & 12-16 years

### Summer Stars LEGO Event, Tuesday, 14 July,

15:00 - 16:00 <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4565977>

Ages 6-10 years.



## Children & Family Events

Booking is essential to attend events.



**Peg Person Art Workshop with Loretta Rose.**

Saturday, 11 July, 10:00 - 11:00.  
Saturday, 11 July, 11:15 - 12:15.

Ages: 6-12.



**Chess Classes with Chess Master Jurica.**

Saturday, 4, 11, 18 & 25 July, 14:00 - 15:00.

Ages: 6-17.



**Make Wool Bracelets.**

Monday, 20 July, 11:00 - 12:00.  
Monday, 20 July, 15:00 - 16:00.

Ages: 9-12.



**Hot Air Balloon Craft.**

Tuesday, 21 July, 15:00 - 16:00.

Ages: 5-8.



**Summer Stars LEGO Event.**

Tuesday, 14 July, 15:00 - 16:00.

Ages: 6-12.



**Summer of Storytime with crafts and activities.**

Wednesday, 15, 22 & 29 July, 11:00 - 12:00.

Ages: 3-6.



**Weaving our Footsteps: learn creative moves from around the world!**

Friday, 24 July, 11:00 - 12:00.

Ages: 3-7.



**Myth, Mayhem and Magic: Dance Workshop.**

Friday, 24 July, 15:00 - 16:00.

Ages: 8-12.



**Junior Board Games.**

Thursday, 9, 16, 23 & 30 July,  
15:30 - 16:30.

Ages: 8-12.



**Make a Light up Camping Lantern with Craft Central.**

Saturday, 18 July, 11:00 - 12:00.

Ages: 8-12.



**Treasures from the Shore Art Workshop.**

Monday, 27 July, 11:00 - 12:00.

Ages: 6-9.



Scan here to book our events or call 053 919 6722.

**Camping Light Workshop with Craft Central, Saturday, 18 July,**

**11:00 - 12:00 <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4545156>**

**For ages 9-12 years**

**Wool Bracelets Craft, Monday, 20 July,**

**11:00 - 12:00 <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4566719>**

**15:00 - 16:00 <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4566408>**

**For ages 9-12 years**

**Weaving our Footsteps: learn creative moves from around the world with dancer and choreographer Rachel Sweeney, Friday July 24,**

**11:00 - 12:00 <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4566406>**

**For ages 3-7 years**

**Myth, Mayhem and Magic: Dance Workshop, Friday, 24 July,**

**15:00 - 16:00 <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4566718>**

**For ages 8-12 years**

**Treasures from the Shore Art Session, Monday, 27 July,**

**11:00 - 12:00 <https://wexfordcoco.libcal.com/event/4566717>**

**For ages 6-9 years.**

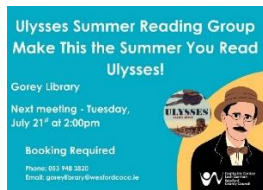
**Hot Air Balloon Craft, Tuesday, 21 July,**

**15:00 - 16:00 [Click here to book and for more details](#)**

**Ages 5-8 years**

## ► Gorey Library Events

### One-off Adult Events for July:



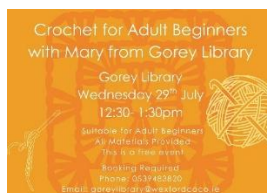
#### Summer Ulysses Reading Group:

Tuesday, July 21<sup>st</sup> 2:00pm



#### Free Cyber Safety Workshop:

Wednesday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> at 11:30am



#### Crochet for Adult Beginners:

Wednesday, July 29<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm

### Children's One-Off Events for July:



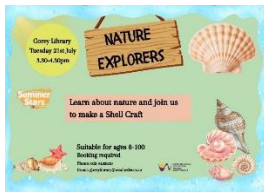
#### Children's Chess Workshop

Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am. Ages 8-14



#### Peg Doll Making Workshop:

Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup> at 11:00. Suitable for Ages 7-12



### Nature Explorers Craft Session

Tuesday, July 21<sup>st</sup> at 3:00pm

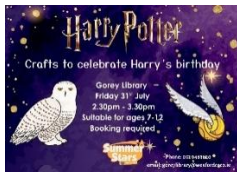
Age: 8-10



### Three Books Before Bedtime Story and Craft

Tuesday, July 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm

Age: 3-5



### Harry Potter's Birthday Crafts

Friday, July 31<sup>st</sup> at 2:30pm

Ages: 7+

## Regular Adult Events



**Lifting the Lid Public Piano:** First Monday of the Month at 2:30pm



**Ciorcal Comhrá:** First Tuesday of the Month at 7:00pm

**AND NEW:** Second Tuesday of the Month at 2:00pm



**English Conversation Circle: First Saturday of the Month at 2:30pm**



**Happy to Chat Coffee Morning: Second Monday of the Month at 11:00am**



**La Leche League Breastfeeding Support: Second Wednesday of the Month at 10:30am**



**Gorey Library Film Club: Second Thursday of the Month at 2:30pm**



**Scrabble Club: Every Tuesday at 7:00pm**



**Knitting Circle: Every Friday at 11:00am**



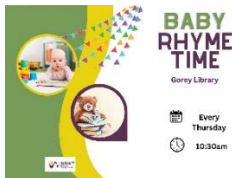
**Wordsmiths Writing Group:** Every Friday at 2:00pm

## Regular Children’s Events:



**Children’s Storytime:** Every Tuesday at 11:00am

Age: 3-5



**Baby Rhyme Time:** Every Thursday at 10:30am

Age: 0-3



**LEGO Freeplay:** Every Saturday at 10:30am

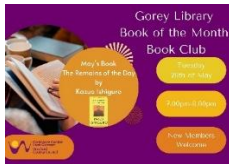


**Sensory Hour:** Every Saturday at 4:00pm

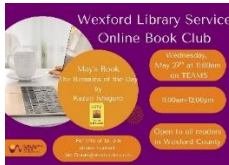
## Adult Book Clubs and Reading Circles:



**Short Story Reading Club:** Third Thursday of the Month at 7:00pm

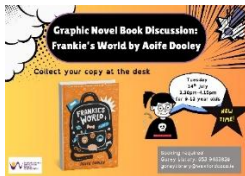


**Book of the Month Book Club:** Last Tuesday of the Month at 7:00pm



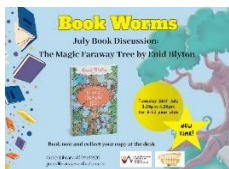
**Wexford Library Service Online Book Club:** Last Wednesday of the Month at 11:00am

## Children’s Book Clubs and Discussion Groups:



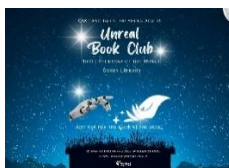
**Graphic Novel Book Discussion:** Second Tuesday of the Month at 4:00pm

Age: 9-12



**Book Worm Book Circle:** Last Tuesday of the Month at 4:00pm

Age: 9-12



**YA Unreal Book Club:** Third Thursday of the Month at 4:30pm

Age: 12-15

► **AI and Accountability: Keeping Children Safe Online**



On 24 May, following our AGM, we held a timely event focusing on Artificial Intelligence and Accountability.

The event was chaired by our Online Safety Coordinator, Noeline Blackwell, and Tech and Democracy Strategist, Liz Carolan, delivered a keynote address.

Following this input, a high-level discussion took place on the need for platform accountability and stronger regulation with contributions from a political panel; **Malcolm Byrne TD (Fianna Fáil), Keira Keogh (Fine Gael), Councillor Hazel Chu (Green Party), Councillor Fiona Connelly (Labour), Paul Murphy TD (People Before Profit), Ruairí Ó Murchú TD (Sinn Féin), and Aidan Farrelly TD (Social Democrats).**

You can watch the full recording on our YouTube channel [here](#).

You can read our press release [here](#).

If you wish you to share on social media, you can tag the Alliance on LinkedIn [@Children's Rights Alliance](#).

If you have any questions about our online safety campaign work, you can contact our Campaigns and Communications Director Emma at [emma.archbold@childrensrights.ie](mailto:emma.archbold@childrensrights.ie)

The Children's Rights Alliance Team

## TRAINING/WEBINARS

### ► Foróige: Free Connect Safely Training



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Online safety training for staff and volunteers working with young people aged 8 to 11 years

Online safety training for staff and volunteers working with young people aged 12-18 years

#### Online Training

##### Connect Safely 12-18 years

- 3rd & 4th of September (9:30am-1:00pm)
- 21st & 22nd of October (9:30am-1:00pm)
- 25th & 26th of November (6.30pm-9.30pm)
- 10th & 11th of December (9:30am-1:00pm)

[12-18 Years Training Registration](#)

##### Connect Safely 8-11 Years

- 29th of September online via Zoom (9:15am-1:30pm)
- 17th of November online via Zoom (9:15am-1:30pm)
- 8th of December online via Zoom (9:15am-1:30pm)

[8-11 Years Training Registration](#)

[Connect Safely 8-11s Brochure](#)

[Connect Safely 12-18s Brochure](#)

## ► Tusla: Free Training for Parents, Carers and Practitioners



Tusla has purchased a multiuser licence which contains a selection of online self-paced pathways/courses for parents/carers and practitioners using the Solihull Approach. This evidence-based, self-paced learning is available online anytime, anywhere, helping parents and caregivers understand brain development, emotional health, and fostering wellbeing. Practitioners can also use this resource when working with parents and caregivers on a one-to-one basis.

The Togetherness National Working Group has commissioned a research team to research the roll out of this licence, focusing on its feasibility and useability with parents/carers. This research will focus specifically on the ante natal to 5 years pathways available in the resource. *We ask that that services and practitioners encourage parents/caregivers to complete the pre and post questionnaires built into the online platform.*

If you would like to learn more about the Togetherness programme or the research being completed, please go to [Ireland | Togetherness - Togetherness](#) or contact Debbie Scales at [Debbie.scales@tusla.ie](mailto:Debbie.scales@tusla.ie)

## ► Free Online Summer Recovery Education Program



Recovery College South East is delighted to invite participants to our new Summer Online Recovery Education Programme. Our courses and workshops are co-produced and co-delivered by individuals with lived experience working alongside professional expertise—"the expert by experience working alongside the expert by profession."

We are delivering a series of short, independent online workshops, each focused on a specific aspect of promoting good mental health. These sessions provide participants with practical tools and strategies to help foster and sustain positive mental and emotional well-being.

### July 2026 Online Workshop Schedule

(Tuesdays, 10:30am – 12:30pm):

- July 7th: Challenging Unhelpful Thinking Patterns – Learn to recognize and challenge patterns like all-or-nothing thinking and overgeneralization.
- July 14th: Dealing With Worry – Explore practical strategies to manage and reduce worry for a greater sense of balance.
- July 21st: Creating Healthy Habits – Discover how habits are formed and learn to build routines that support overall well-being.
- July 28th: Let's Talk Procrastination – Explore why we procrastinate and gain strategies to take action on what matters most.

Key Information:

- Cost: All workshops are FREE and open to everyone.
- Format: Interactive workshops delivered via ZOOM.
- Flexibility: Workshops are interconnected but independent; participants can attend one, multiple, or all sessions based on interest.

How to Enrol:

To register for any of these workshops, please follow these simple steps:

**Email:** Contact us at [info@recoverycollegesoutheast.com](mailto:info@recoverycollegesoutheast.com) to request an enrolment form.

**Phone:** Call us on [086 1746330](tel:0861746330) to enrol over the phone.

For more detailed information on the workshops, please visit the Workshop Section of our website at [www.recoverycollegesoutheast.com](http://www.recoverycollegesoutheast.com).

[Online Summer Workshop Timetable](#)

## SURVEY

### ► Additional data relating to the Amarach 2026 Bi-Annual Survey of Parents

#### DCDE Parents Research Findings 28.05.26 Presentation



**Note:** Please click the link under “Additional info from Newsletter 10 July 26” [on our website](#) to access Presentation.

## ► Survey and Consultation on Childminding Regulations and Registration



New childminding regulations have been introduced to bring all paid childminding services under a national registration system.

At present, there is a transition period in place, which means childminders can choose whether or not to register with Tusla. From 29 September 2027, all childminders providing paid childcare in their own home for children under 15 will be required to register.

We would love to hear your thoughts and experiences, what has worked well for you and what has not. Your voice matters, and your feedback will play a key role in shaping a more effective and inclusive consultation process.

More information can be found here

- <https://assets.gov.ie/static/documents/guidance-to-the-regulations.pdf>

### [Childminding Regulations and Registration \(2\) – Fill out form](#)

## ► Details of Primary School and Shared Parenting Survey

### Primary Schools & Shared Parenting Survey

onfamily THE SEPARATION NETWORK WHAT WORKS SHARING KNOWLEDGE Improving Children's Futures

Who can do the survey?

#### Parents Survey

- ✓ Separated or divorced parents
- ✓ Sharing parenting
- ✓ A step parent or legal guardian
- ✓ Kinship carer

#### School Survey

- ✓ All school staff, including principals, teachers, SNAS and school secretaries

You need to:

- ✓ Live in Ireland
- ✓ Have a child currently in primary school or attended primary school between 2022-2025
- ✓ Be sharing parenting, in some way

Results will be used to create **new guidelines** for primary **schools, parents,** and **professionals** to better **support children** through separation or change in their family form

We wish to share details of a national survey which is being operated by One Family and the Separation Network for promotion among your networks.

The survey is seeking to better understand the supports and opportunities that exist within schools, as well as the challenges when working with children and families navigating a change in their family form.

The findings of the survey will be used to inform the development of new national guidelines aimed at strengthening supports for children experiencing parental separation, divorce, or shared parenting.

The project consists of two separate surveys as follows:

1. A survey for any parent/carer who is sharing parenting of their children in some way.
2. A survey for primary school staff.

The surveys should take less than 10 minutes to complete, and they will remain open until Friday 31 July. Further information is attached and links to access both surveys is available [here](#).

This research is being funded by the DCDE What Works initiative.

Kind regards

The Parenting Support Policy Unit

## LITERACY

### ► Adult Literacy for Life: Our story so far

The e-zine developed to commemorate our recent ALL Showcase event, *Our Story So Far*, which took place in Portlaoise



📖 **View the e-zine here:**  
<https://publications.snap.ie/ALL-Programme/18/>

The showcase brought together learners, staff, partners, employers, community organisations and supporters to reflect on the journey of the ALL Programme, celebrate achievements, and explore opportunities for future collaboration.

The e-zine above captures the spirit of the day, featuring highlights from the event, participant stories, key milestones, and reflections on the impact of the ALL Strategy to date.



**As we look ahead**, I am keen to continue strengthening connections across the region and to explore opportunities to collaborate with organisations, community groups, employers and stakeholders who share our commitment to supporting people with unmet literacy needs.

I hope you enjoy reading the e-zine and learning more about our journey so far.

## RECRUITMENT

### ► Wexford Women's Refuge – Job Vacancies



Wexford Women's Refuge supports women and children affected by domestic abuse by providing 24-hour emergency refuge accommodation and a range of other support services to improve outcomes for women and children.

We are currently inviting applications for the following vacancies.

- Full-time Outreach Development Worker
- Support Worker (Both Day and Night Duty - Weekdays and Weekends)
- Part-time Outreach Support Worker
- Part-time permanent Child/Young Person and Family Support Worker
- Relief Support Workers

Job descriptions are attached below.

#### Location

The place of work will be Wexford Women's Refuge, with travel to outreach locations in the community expected.

#### How to Apply

Applicants must state what positions they are applying for.

Please send your CV and a cover letter detailing your suitability for the role to Antoinette Lynch, Administrative Coordinator at

[HR@wexfordwomensrefuge.ie](mailto:HR@wexfordwomensrefuge.ie)

Closing Date for applications: 12 pm 14.07.2026

Late applications after this date and time will not be accepted.

#### Interviews

##### Competency-based interviews

Anticipated to be held the week of the 20th of July 2026

Shortlisting will apply, and a panel may be created following interviews

Equal Opportunity Employer Wexford Women's Refuge is an Equal Opportunities Employer.

We are committed to creating an inclusive recruitment process and working environments for all our employees.

## **Job Descriptions**

[Outreach Development Worker - Job description](#)

[Support Worker \(Day and Night Duty\) - Job description](#)

[Part-time permanent Child and Young Person and Family Support Worker - Job description](#)

[Part-time Outreach Support Worker - Job description](#)

[Relief Support Workers - Job description](#)