



## Wexford CYPSC Newsletter

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## WEBINARS / TRAINING

### → ASIST Programme – LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE

We are delivering the two day ASIST Programme (Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training) in Waterford on Friday and Saturday, August 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 5 pm both days. This might appeal to people who are unable to take two days off for training. I have attached information on the programme and you can book via the link below. Participants must have completed safeTALK or START in advance of ASIST. Please feel free to share with your networks.

<https://bookwhen.com/sro/e/ev-sezj-20230818000000>

Warm regards,

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To book a place on any of our suicide, self-harm or bereavement training programmes please visit [www.bookwhen.com/sro](http://www.bookwhen.com/sro)



## FUNDING

### → St Stephen's Green Trust: Family Matters Grant Programme 2022-2025

The SSGT Family Matters grant programme is open again for applications from groups working across the island. The programme aim is to **contribute to improving the system of support for families affected by convictions and imprisonment to improve rehabilitation and resettlement outcomes**. We believe that putting families at the heart of the criminal justice system is the 'golden thread' which can reduce the harm of imprisonment and contribute to rehabilitation. Evidence shows that prisoners who manage to maintain family bonds whilst in prison have significantly reduced reoffending risks upon release. Families cannot bear this burden alone and should be supported in this role.

The grant programme has two strands: one for smaller grants to test new approaches or add value to current work (up to €7,000/£6,000) and the second for longer-term more strategic work (up to €25,000/£21,500).

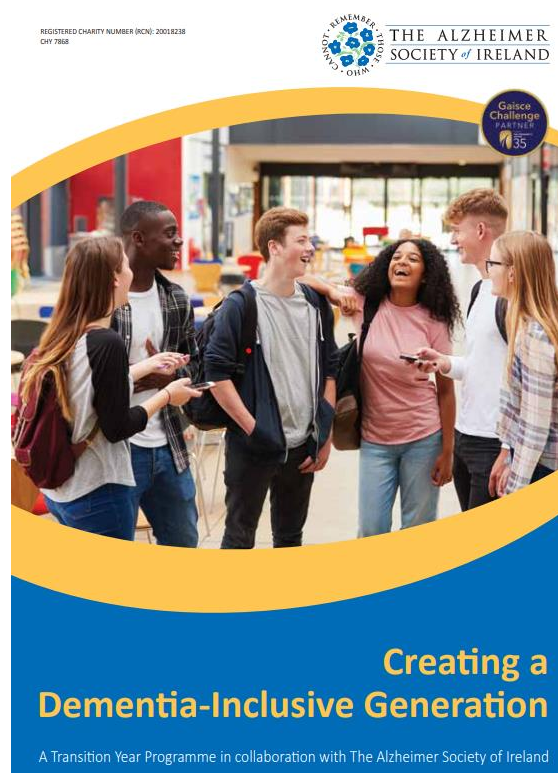
Details of the scheme including criteria and a link to the online application forms can be found [here](#). The deadline for receipt of applications is **Thurs 21st Sept 2023**.

For further details and information on how to apply, click [here](#).

## SCHOOLS

### → Creating a Dementia Inclusive Generation

The Alzheimer Society of Ireland (ASI) would love to offer schools and students the opportunity to participate in our new online programme. Over 50 schools across Ireland have signed up, and over 700 students have already completed this highly innovative programme. This programme has been identified by Alzheimer Europe as one of the six most powerful anti-stigma programmes in Europe.



#### How Does it Work?

There are two phases to this programme the first being an online e-learning course that is divided into five modules each containing workbooks, videos and questions on dementia with a focus on brain health.

We recommend students complete this programme during class times as there are topics within the five modules where students can discuss the content included in the modules and their own experiences’.

We will provide teachers with all the materials and tools you need to deliver this course as part of your TY curriculum.

In addition, Phase two is the peer education piece. The ASI Creating a Dementia Inclusive Generation Programme is an official Gaisce Challenge Partner, which allows students to use the programme towards award requirements should they so wish. They can do this by using

their learnings, and supported by a tool kit provided by ASI, they can relay the information they have learned to other peers - be they other student groups, other school groups or indeed community groups . It is a very exciting time for both ASI and the schools we are partnering with as we are the only organisation who offer this type of programme to students.

We have received incredibly positive feedback from many of the students and teachers that have taken part in this programme “The online dementia course has enhanced and complimented my Community Care Module with the TYs. As part of the module we do discuss Dementia and visit the Alzheimer's Unit in Carn. Raising awareness and providing up to date information can only enhance their knowledge and I feel the students have really benefited from this online training. As a TY year group we are always involved in projects that help raise awareness of Alzheimer's”. Elaine Farren, TY Coordinator in Carndonagh Community School. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me. Please see the attached fliers and please feel free to share as you see fit.

To access the Transition Year Programme Leaflet, click [here](#)

To access the Gaisce leaflet, click [here](#)

Many thanks,  
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