

Parent and Toddler Group Supports



There are approximately 45 Parent & Toddler groups throughout Co. Kildare.

- This leaflet is intended to provide information to these groups about the supports that are available to them from a variety of organisations in the county.
- These organisations (named overleaf) recognise the important role that Parent & Toddler groups play in supporting parents and young children.
- By making this information available to existing Parent & Toddler groups it is hoped to assist them to grow and develop so that they can continue to provide this valuable support to families.

How to access the supports available?

There are a range of supports available.

1. Each of the organisations has given details of how you can contact them.
2. If you identify a support you may need you simply contact an organisation who can offer you that support and they will do their utmost to support you and your group.
3. Alternatively an organisation will provide an Outreach visit to your group and assist you identify any supports you may require.



Remember...

- The service you provide to parents, children and the local community is very beneficial.
- For some parents it may be the only form of adult company they have and that will have a very positive impact on their lives. It can provide a great support network for parents and a chance to make some lifelong friends.
- For the children, it is a great way of building their self-confidence and social skills, as they learn to play with others in the comfort of knowing that their parent is nearby. Learning these skills is a major stepping stone in preparing children for pre-school.



Organisation: Kildare County Childcare Committee, Clane
Contact: (045)861307 **Email:** info@kildarechildcare.ie
Web: www.kildarechildcare.ie

Supports Offered:

- Outreach Visit
- Funding
- Leaflets, Information Packs, Online and Phone Information

Workshops/Information Sessions on:

- Group Development
- Committee Skills
- Child Development
- Learning through Play



Area: Co. Kildare

Organisation: Curragh PRIDE Family Resource Centre, The Curragh
Contact: (045)456883
Supports Offered:

- Leaflets, Information Packs, Online and Phone Information

Area: Curragh and surrounding areas



Organisation: Kildare Library Services, Newbridge
Contact: (045)431109/486 **Email:** colibrary@kildarecoco.ie
Web: www.kildare.ie/library

Supports Offered:

- Premises
- Outreach Visit
- Leaflets, Online and Phone Information
- Resources for Literacy programmes
- Free membership and access to Library
- Access to training (see below)

Workshops/Information Sessions on:

- Parenting
- Child Development (during scheduled time)
- Toys, Technology and Training Programme for Parents
- Free program of family events throughout the year

Area: Co. Kildare



Organisation: County Kildare LEADER Partnership, Naas
Contact: (045)895450 **Email:** noreen@countykildarelp.ie
Supports Offered:

- Outreach Visit
- Phone contact
- Parenting
- Group Development
- Committee Skills
- Learning through Play

Area: Community groups in Newbridge, Athy and North West Kildare.



Organisation: Kildare and Wicklow Education and Training Board, Naas
Contact: (045)881863 **Email:** susancullinane@kwetb.ie
Web: www.kwetb.ie

Supports Offered:

- Funding
- Course Development
- Sourcing Tutors
- Mail outs
- Networking and Training days

Workshops/Information Sessions on:

- Group Development
- Other needs as identified by the group

Area: Co. Kildare



Organisation: Newbridge Family Resource Centre, Dara Park, Newbridge
Contact: (045)438173 **Email:** suzanne@newbridgefrc.ie
Web: www.newbridgefrc.ie

Supports Offered:

- Outreach Visit
- Leaflets, Information Packs, Online and Phone Information

Workshops/Information Sessions on:

- Parenting
- Group Development

Area: Co. Kildare



Organisation: Primary Care Psychology Services Newbridge/Athy
Contact: (045)491900 **Email:** gary.collins@hse.ie
Workshops/Information Sessions on:

- Parenting
- Child Development
- Child Mental Health, Wellbeing, Attachment and Behaviours

Area: Newbridge and Athy



Organisation: Tusla, Child & Family Agency, Naas.
Contact: (045) 876001 **Email:** bridie.clancy@tusla.ie
Supports Offered:

- Outreach visit
- Phone contact
- Learning through Play

Area: Co. Kildare

