

GRANGEGORMAN ABC NEWS

One Family are celebrating 50 years of supporting one-parent families in Ireland

This year One Family are celebrating 50 years of supporting one-parent families in Ireland since their foundation in 1972 as Cherish. To mark this landmark anniversary, The Ark is collaborating with them on the development of a new work of documentary theatre. Created by playwright Kate Heffernan, the piece will put on stage stories from grown-ups about their experiences as children growing up in one-parent families in Ireland.



If you would like to send on your stories, please complete this form: <https://form.jotform.com/220833665590359> You are able to write or upload your story directly on this form, or you can send it on directly by post or email to the address outlined in the form.

If you have any questions about the project, you can email participation@ark.ie. The closing date for you to share your stories is Thursday 5 May 2022.”

Children at St. Mary's Early Years Service can enjoy activities in their new wet gear funded through Grangegorman ABC.

The children have been enjoying some water play in the good and the bad weather all thanks to the fabulous new outdoor rain gear. Water play has many benefits for children including developing hand eye coordination, enhancing concentration and focus as well as building on social and communication skills.



The children are participating in a gardening contest in conjunction with Woodies DIY. They have been busy planting flowers and seeds. The outdoor sensory trays have been a fantastic recourse for this activity.



Autism Talks at AOSOG

The dates for the next course of Autism Talks organised by AOSOG and run by Senco Sensory Solutions are as follows:

Tuesdays 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st May and 7th, 14th June, 10am - 12noon

These talks are for parents of children with autism and staff working in Early Years Services / Schools.

Please contact geraosog@gmail.com for more information.

Return to Learning Drop-in Information Morning

When: Wednesday 18th May—10am-1pm

Where: St Laurence's Church, TU Dublin campus, Grangegorman.



The TU Dublin **Programme for Access to Higher**

Education (PATH 3) team are organising an information morning to support people of all ages who are interested in returning to education. The aim of the morning is to showcase the range of educational opportunities available within TU Dublin and within local providers at all levels. It is particularly focused on highlighting pathways to education especially for people who may be out of full-time education for a number of years. It will provide practical information about:

- Community Education
- QQI courses
- ETB courses
- TU Dublin courses
- Financial Supports/Assistance
- Alternative routes to Higher Education

For more information please use the following link: [Events | TU Dublin](#)

What Works Sharing Knowledge Fund

Minister for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth, Roderic O'Gorman T.D, is pleased to announce a €200,000 'Sharing Knowledge' Fund, which will be rolled out as part of the What Works initiative and funded through Dormant Accounts Funding.

The fund is open to practitioners and service providers working in not-for-profit organisations, multi-disciplinary networks, Children and Young People's Services Committees, Child and Family Support Networks and communities of practice working with children, young people and their families and who have a strong emphasis on prevention and early intervention.

Organisations can apply for a minimum grant of €5,000 and a maximum grant of €20,000. The closing date for applications is **27th May, 2022**. More information can be found [HERE](#)



Save the Date

We are excited to announce that the date for the next Consortium Group meeting is 1st June 2022. We will be in contact with more information.

The National ABC Meeting will take place on June 15th. ABC Grangegorman will attend this meeting.—more information to follow. We would love to share some leaflets about programmes funded through Grangegorman ABC - If you would like to share any leaflets with us or participate in the event you can email us at abc@tudublin.ie



If you have any news items or information that you would like to share in our next newsletter you can contact us at abc@tudublin.ie



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