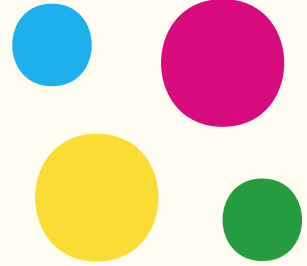


Newsletter



Welcome to this month's community updates!

There's been lots happening across the Grangegorman ABC community. In this edition, you'll find stories from recent events, celebrations, new programmes, family activities and upcoming opportunities for children, parents and carers.

A big thank you to all of our partners for sharing their news and for the fantastic work they continue to do to support children and families in our community. Happy reading!





Avista Children's Services

hosted an inclusive Family Fun Day on Thursday 9 July for children and families awaiting or currently availing of CDNT services. The event brought families together for a day of fun, connection and celebration. The Grangegorman ABC Team was delighted to attend, sharing information about our services and programmes while meeting families, answering questions and connecting with the community. Everyone enjoyed the fantastic event in the sunshine. Children took part in a wide range of fun and inclusive activities, including teacup rides, a bouncy castle, a live farm, a silent disco and many other attractions. A particular highlight was a visit from Dublin's firefighters.



Early Talk Boost (ETB) Graduation

Children from Tiny Toes Community Crèche and St. Mary's Early Years Service recently celebrated with their families after completing the Early Talk Boost programme.

Over the past nine weeks, the children enjoyed fun and engaging activities with Jake and Tizzy, helping to develop their speech, language, communication, listening, attention, and turn-taking skills.

Congratulations to all the children on their fantastic achievements. A sincere thank you to their families for supporting learning at home and sharing the Jake and Tizzy books together. We would also like to thank the management and early years educators in both services, whose dedication and commitment have been instrumental to the programme's success.





ParentChild+
Equal Possibilities From The Start

Families are welcome to get involved this September! Referrals are now being accepted for ParentChild+ (PC+) and Home from Home (HFH). Registration is also open for our Peep Group and Building Baby from Head to Toe programme. Our popular Parent & Toddler Group will return in mid-September, and we look forward to welcoming both new and returning families



End of Summer Intergenerational Family Day

Aosóg invites you to our End of Summer Intergenerational Family Day!

Join us on Tuesday 25 August, from 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm, at DCC Aughrim Street Sports Centre Car Park for an afternoon of fun for all ages.

Meet the Nore Valley Mobile Petting Farm, with bunnies, guinea pigs, hens, a pony, a donkey and more!

There will also be goodie bags for the

children and an art table where families can share their drawings, comments and experiences.

Everyone is welcome – we look forward to seeing you there!

ALL THE PROGRAMMES RUN BY THE DAUGHTER OF CHARITY COMMUNITY SERVICES (DOCCS) FUNDED THROUGH ABC GRANGEGORMAN:

- PARENTCHILD+**
THIS IS A HOME VISITING PROGRAMME THAT PROVIDES A 'LEARNING THROUGH PLAY' EXPERIENCE FOR PARENTS AND THEIR CHILDREN. IT IS DESIGNED TO STRENGTHEN THE NATURAL BOND BETWEEN PARENT AND CHILD AND TO ENCOURAGE A LOVE OF LEARNING. IT EMPLOYS A NON-DIRECTIVE APPROACH AND ENCOURAGES THE PARENT AS THE CHILD'S FIRST AND BEST TEACHER. THE PROGRAMME IS FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN AGED 16 MONTHS TO 3 YEARS.
- PARENT TODDLER GROUP**
FACILITATED PLAY SESSIONS THAT EXPLORE DIFFERENT TYPES OF PLAY TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S DEVELOPMENT. WE PROVIDE A SAFE AND FUN ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL FAMILIES, OFFERING PLAY OPPORTUNITIES WHILE BUILDING PEEPS-TO-PEEPS SUPPORT WITHIN THE COMMUNITY. SUITABLE FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN AGED 0 TO 3 YEARS. PARENT AND TODDLER GROUPS TAKE PLACE EVERY WEDNESDAY FROM 9.30 AM TO 11.00 AM AND EVERY FRIDAY FROM 10.30 AM TO 12.00 PM.
- BUILDING BABY FROM HEAD TO TOE**
AN INTRODUCTORY WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS FROM PREGNANCY TO 2 YEARS OLD ON THE TOPIC OF INFANT MENTAL HEALTH, PREGNANCY TO 2 YEARS.
- PEEP GROUPS**
PEEP SESSIONS ARE FOR PARENTS/CAREGIVERS AND THEIR CHILDREN TO ENJOY TOGETHER AND AIM TO SUPPORT FAMILIES WITH THEIR CHILDREN'S EARLY LEARNING IN A SIMPLE AND ENJOYABLE WAY. SUITABLE FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN FROM BIRTH TO 4 YEARS. PEEP PLACE EVENT WEDNESDAY FROM 9.30 AM TO 11.30 AM FOR CHILDREN AGED 1-3 YEARS WITH THEIR PARENT/CAREGIVER. BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL.
- HOME FROM HOME PROGRAMME**
THIS PROGRAMME IS AN ADAPTED MODEL OF THE PC+ HOME VISITING PROGRAMME WORKING SPECIFICALLY WITH FAMILIES EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN AGED FROM 16 MONTHS TO 3 YEARS.
- CIRCLE OF SECURITY PARENTING**
THIS IS A RELATIONSHIP-BASED PARENTING PROGRAMME DESIGNED TO SUPPORT AND STRENGTHEN YOUR CONNECTION WITH YOUR CHILD. IT HELPS PARENTS UNDERSTAND THEIR CHILD'S EMOTIONAL NEEDS, BUILD A SECURE ATTACHMENT, AND RESPOND TO CHALLENGING BEHAVIOURS IN A WAY THAT BOOSTS CONFIDENCE AND TRUST. ALL FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN OF ANY AGE.

ALL GROUPS ARE OPEN TO FAMILIES LIVING IN THE NORTH WEST DUBLIN CITY (NWC) AND ARE ON AN ONGOING BASIS. ALL PROGRAMMES ACCEPT WAITING REFERRALS. WITH THE THINKING AND BELIEF OF SOME PROGRAMMES DEPENDING ON THE NEEDS OF FAMILIES. WE WELCOME REFERRALS FROM PROFESSIONALS WORKING WITH FAMILIES, AS WELL AS SELF-REFERRALS FROM FAMILIES LIVING IN THE AREA. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR TO MAKE A REFERRAL, PLEASE CONTACT US ON MOBILE: 085 420 4843, LANDLINE: 01 807 4180 / 01 807 4181. OR EMAIL: DOCCS@ABCGRANGEGORMAN.COM.



Baby Massage

Our Baby Massage course begins Monday 14 September, from 11.00 am – 12.30 pm at One Family, 8 Coke Lane, Dublin 7. Designed for parents parenting alone or sharing parenting after separation, this free course offers a relaxed space to bond with your baby while learning gentle massage techniques.

Stay & Play

Join Stay & Play on Tuesday 29 September, from 10.00 am – 12.00 pm at One Family, 8 Coke Lane, Dublin 7. A free, welcoming session where babies and toddlers can play, explore and socialise while parents connect with others in a supportive environment.

To register or find out more, visit:

<https://onefamily.ie/course/baby-massage/>

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The Community Families Team recently ran two pilot Parent & Child (0–3 years) groups, Storytime and Nursery Rhymes, at Phibsborough Library on 16 and 23 July.

We were delighted by the fantastic response, with so many local families joining us over both weeks. The enthusiasm and attendance highlighted a real demand for a welcoming group like this in the area.

Thanks to the success of the pilot, we're excited to announce that the group will become a weekly session every Thursday morning from September, giving more families the opportunity to come together to play, sing, read and connect

We are delighted to welcome Catherine Molony as our new Community Family Coordinator with ABC Grangegorman. Catherine joins the team while Shauna is on maternity leave, and we are very pleased to have her on board. We wish Catherine every success in her new role and look forward to working with her.



Doodle Den Are Hiring!

Are you fun, creative and passionate about working with children? Would you like to help children reach their full potential in education and life while supporting parents in their child's learning journey?

If you have a few hours free in the afternoons, Doodle Den would love to hear from you!

To view the job description and application form, visit:

<https://www.activelink.ie/vacancies/education-training/125595-school-completion-programme-dublin-1-7-doodle-den-facilitators-part-time-relief>

Closing date for applications: 17 August.



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