Limerick Childcare Committee
Training and Events Calendar
Autumn /Winter 2026

For Early Learning and Care Services School Age Services and Childminders

This calendar lists Limerick Childcare Committee training and events scheduled from September to November 2026.

Important Points:

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QIPP, Equal Start and Bia Blasta Information Session

Explore QIPP and how it can support services to identify priorities and develop a practical 2026/27 quality improvement plan. In the last 45min we will include a brief overview of Equal Start and Bia Blasta.	
For	All Core Funding Services
Maximum per service	Not applicable
Date	Tuesday 29 September 2026
Time	10:30 am to 12:00 pm or 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm
Venue	Online
Trainer	LCC - Catriona
Booking	Book online at https://forms.gle/8t51n1CaeuczSv5b9

Everyday Spaces

Everyday Spaces training is an interactive, Educator-led workshop. It helps Educators use the National Participation Framework and the Everyday Spaces Checklist to involve babies, toddlers, and young children in everyday decision-making in care settings.	
For	All Services and Childminders
Maximum per service	2
Course 1	Monday 5 and Wednesday 7 October 2026 The Longcourt House Hotel, Newcastle West, V42 TD72
Course 2	Monday 19 and Wednesday 21 October 2026 The South Court Hotel, Raheen, V94 E77X
Time for Course 1 and 2	6:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Trainer	LCC - Linda & Marie
Booking	Email names to marie@limerickchildcare.ie

Physical Activity and Movement with School Age Children

This course will upskill participants on how to deliver sport and physical activity for children 4-12 years. Each service will receive a BUNTUS Sport Pack.	
For	School Age Services and School Age Childminders
Maximum per service	3
Date	Saturday 10 October 2026
Time	9:45 am to 1:00 pm
Venue	Kilfinane Outdoor Education and Training Centre, Kilfinane V35 R590
Trainer	Limerick Sports Partnership
Booking	Book online at https://forms.gle/YqpFfD1HfDEtVNz6A

Understanding and Reframing Challenging Behaviours in Early Years Settings

Exploring how emotional and social dysregulation in babies, toddlers and young children can lead to them presenting with behaviours that challenge. We look at how to reframe our own thinking around these behaviours and come to understand, predict and support children to manage their regulation and to truly understand the function of the behaviour.	
For	Early Years Services and Childminders
Maximum per service	2
Date	Thursday 15 October 2026
Time	6:30 pm to 9:30 pm
Venue	Firgrove Hotel, Mitchelstown, P67 Y206
Trainer	Karen McCormack
Booking	Book online at https://forms.gle/eXJeiA1deHT2kkw47

Buntus Start - Physical Activity Prog for Early Years Services (Children 2-5yrs)

This practical workshop introduces the Buntús programme, designed to support Early Years Educators in promoting physical activity and active play with young children aged 2-5 years. Each Service will receive a Buntus Start Pack.	
For	All Pre-Schools
Maximum per service	3
Date	Saturday 17 October 2026
Time	9:45 am to 1:00 pm
Venue	The Manor Fields, Graigue, Adare, V94 YHV0 (beside the playground)
Trainer	Limerick Sports Partnership
Booking	Book online at https://forms.gle/QQeJLs695n9ELUYV9

Always Children First

A 6-hour safeguarding course for early years and school-age Educators. It builds on the e-learning modules from Tusla to deepen understanding of child protection procedures in practice.	
For	All Services
Maximum per service	2
Date	Thursday 29 October 2026
Time	9:45 am to 4:00 pm
Venue	Fitzgeralds Woodlands House Hotel, Adare, V94 F1P9
Trainer	LCC - Catriona & Linda
Booking	Book online at https://forms.gle/P7HnGivgBevGzi3a8

DLP Training

Tusla's Designated Liaison Person (DLP) training equips those appointed to be the internal safeguarding lead within organisations to fulfil this essential role.	
For	All Services. Must have completed Always Children First Training in last 12months.
Maximum per service	2
Date	Wednesday 4 November 2026
Time	4:30 pm to 8:15 pm
Venue	The Longcourt House Hotel, Newcastle West, V42 TD72
Trainer	LCC - Catriona
Booking	Book online at https://forms.gle/cW2VndZkuqXfKhEv5

School Age Specific Challenging Behaviour

An immersive workshop exploring the root causes of Challenging behaviour with a focus on SAC. Exploring regulation and how this affects Children's ability to follow directions or to process same. Practical workarounds and strategies will be discussed and scaffolded.	
For	School Age Services and School Age Childminders
Maximum per service	2
Date	Thursday 5 November 2026
Time	6:30 pm to 9:00 pm
Venue	Fitzgeralds Woodlands House Hotel, Adare, V94 F1P9
Trainer	Karen McCormack
Booking	Book online at https://forms.gle/3XLumSdqi7PBmsNW9

Aistear 2024: Principles, Themes, Aims & Learning Goals

These workshops explore the key messages underpinning the updated *Aistear 2024* framework. Participants will explore the vision and structure of Aistear, the nine principles, and the concepts of the *Agentic Child/Global Citizen* and *Agentic Educator*. The sessions will also examine the Themes, Aims and Learning Goals, *Slow Relational Pedagogy* and the *Emergent and Inquiry-Based Curriculum.*	
For	Early Years Services and Childminders
Maximum per service	3
Date	Wednesday 11th and Wednesday 18th November 2026
Time	6:30 pm to 9:00 pm
Venue	The Longcourt House Hotel, Newcastle West, V42 TD72
Trainer	LCC - Catriona and Linda
Booking	Book online at https://forms.gle/XD38cRZc6GWmdTo18

Sensory & Emotional Regulation in the Early Years

Exploring how regulation can affect how well a child participates in Early Years settings. Exploring how children with differing needs may struggle to regulate within our busy environments and strategies to overcome same. Sensory Processing Disorder, Autism and ADHD will be discussed in broad terms and how a child may take extra consideration to fit into our settings. Through group work we will formulate strategies to help all children.	
For	Early Years Services and Childminders
Maximum per service	2
Date	Thursday 12 November 2026
Time	6:30 pm to 9:00 pm
Venue	The Longcourt House Hotel, Newcastle West, V42 TD72
Trainer	Karen McCormack
Booking	Book online at https://forms.gle/TB2XUzANuDBX6Mz18

Autism, ADHD, PAC and SPD: Early Years

What do all these mean for Early Years? In this workshop we delve into the world of neurodivergence and how each child within neurodiversity can present. We discuss coming to empathise with the child and to learn their tells and shows and find a way forward to ensure that they and you as educators thrive within your setting.	
For	Early Years Services and Childminders
Maximum per service	2
Date	Saturday 14 November 2026
Time	9:30 am to 12:30 pm
Venue	The South Court Hotel, Raheen, V94 E77X
Trainer	Karen McCormack
Booking	Book online at https://forms.gle/cidnWu3B8s2oassUA

Christmas Network

🎄 Limerick Childcare Committee Annual Christmas Network Meeting 🎄

Limerick Childcare Committee warmly invites you, your staff and Board members to join us for our Annual Christmas Network Meeting!

Enjoy a relaxed evening of Christmas cheer, good food and great company, with a short update from Limerick Childcare Committee (10–15 minutes), followed by plenty of time to connect, chat and network with colleagues.

🎶 DJ & Dancing
🍴 Food & Festive Refreshments
🤝 Networking & Catching Up

Come along, celebrate the year and enjoy a festive evening with colleagues from across the early years and school-age sector.

We look forward to seeing you there**!** 🎅✨

For	All
Maximum per service	Not applicable
Date	Friday 27 November 2026
Time	7:00 pm to 11:30 pm
Venue	The Longcourt House Hotel, Newcastle West, V42 TD72
Trainer	LCC
Booking	Book online at https://forms.gle/C6znG9LcW79Z4Zc68

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