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TRAINING CALENDAR

MARCH TO JULY 2009

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Welcome to Waterford City Childcare Committee's Training Calendar for March to July 2009. Training is open to all Childcare Providers, Childminders and Parents unless otherwise specified.

MARCH 2009

EVENT	DATE	FACILITATOR/TUTOR	COST	TIME & Venue
Intermediate Sign Language Course (6 weeks)	5th March To 9th April	Lorraine Delahunty & Carole Walsh (interpreter) <i>This course is a follow on course from the Basic baby sign language of last autumn of which participants on this course will have completed. 10 participants only.</i>	€60	Children's Grouplinks 7-8.30 p.m. each night
Launch of Progress Report	Thurs 5th	Mayor of the City, Cllr Jack Walsh <i>will launch the progress report of WCityCC 2008 as well as presenting certificates to successful participants of Developing Healthy Eating Policies for your Service</i>	FREE	WCityCC offices 6.15 -7.15 p.m.
Positive Approaches to Behaviour Practice for Childcare Providers	Tues 10th	Kathleen Mitchell & Ann Marie Bradley of HSE <i>The session will be based on approaches used in the Triple P Parenting course which is delivered by the HSE. It will be an interactive session incorporating a presentation and questions and answers</i>	FREE	4-6 p.m. WCityCC offices
Implementing Observational Techniques in the Childcare Setting (NCNA course)	Thurs 12th	NCNA tutor <i>This course will help workers apply their knowledge of observation in a practical way. Contact Kylie Johnson at 01 4601138 for further details.</i>	€53 for NCNA members €63 for non NCNA	7-10 p.m. in Children's Grouplinks Military Road
Inclusion of Children with disabilities in childcare and play settings (in Association with DESSA) <i>(Participants must attend both workshops and all participants will receive a copy of the DESSA Inclusive Policy & Practice Manual.)</i>	Thurs 19th & Wed 25th	Emma Byrne McNamee (DESSA facilitator) <i>These two workshops will focus on policy & practice in relation to the inclusion of children with disabilities in childcare and play settings. The workshops will be very interactive, providing participants with an increased knowledge and awareness of barriers to inclusion and will offer practical ideas and suggestions to identify and address these barriers.</i>	€30 for both sessions	Thurs 19th 6.30 to 9 p.m. Wed 25th 2-5 p.m. WCityCC offices
Life Coaching for Parents of Children with Disabilities	Sat 28th	Marcus Mc Keown <i>This is a follow up to an introductory session held in 2008 in which Marcus explored areas such as Awareness of self, Power of thought, Creating your reality and Existence versus Living.</i>	FREE	9.15 to 4.30 in Waterford Manor Hotel, Old Kilmeaden Rd.
BUNTUS Start TRAINING in conjunction with Waterford Sports Partnership. <i>(Pack consisting of equipment & cards are received by each service)</i>	To be confirmed	Buntús Start Trainers <i>Buntús Start is a comprehensive child centred physical activity for children in preschool facilities. Consists of a 4 hour workshop with a 2 hour follow up session. <u>All staff must participate.</u></i>	€100 per service	To be confirmed with Individual services at later date

APRIL 2009

EVENT	DATE	FACILITATOR/TUTOR	COST	TIME & Venue
CHILDMINDING WEEK	30th March – 3rd April	<i>Various activities and events planned. Flyer available. Contact the office on 860444</i>		Various
Child Protection for CHILDMINDERS only	Tues 7th & 14th	Deirdre Lindy WCityCC <i>These 2 Workshops will provide participants with information on signs and symptoms of abuse, the different types and also the reporting procedures and advice on policy development</i>	FREE	7-9.30 p.m. each night WCityCC Offices
Developing Inclusive Practice (NCNA course)	Tues 7th	NCNA Tutor <i>This workshop will provide guidance on how to provide an environment that values diversity, and treats individuals with respect and dignity. For further information contact Kylie Johnson on 01 4601138.</i>	€53 for NCNA members €63 for non NCNA members	7-10 p.m. in Children's Group links, Military Road.
Developing Policies & Procedures <i>(Participants will receive 'A practical Guide to Developing Childcare Policies & CD Rom)</i>	Tues 21st	Marie Willoughby of Barnardos <i>This workshop will provide guidance on how to create policies, the importance of policies & factors to consider when developing them.</i>	FREE	7-9.30 p.m. WCityCC offices

MAY 2009

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What Difference Information session (in Association with Mary Immaculate College, Limerick) <i>(Participants will receive a 'What Difference' resource pack & DVD)</i>	Tues 5th	Mary Moloney & Eucharia McCarthy (Co- authors of What Difference) <i>'What Difference' is a groundbreaking DVD and Resource Book which provides guidelines and strategies on how best to support the care, education and successful inclusion of young children with special needs in early years settings.</i>	€15	2.30-4.30 p.m. WCityCC offices
An Chead Cheim Basic Irish language course (for CHILDMINDERS ONLY)	Wed 6th Wed 13th	Aine Ni Shuilleabhain <i>This two night workshop aims to refresh our basic Irish language skills. Suitable for Childminders minding preschool and primary school children</i>	Free	7.30-9.30pm WCityCC offices
CALMAST (Centre for Advancement Of Learning of Maths & Science) workshop In association with WIT	Thurs 7th	<i>The CALMAST team in WIT will deliver a practical workshop showing fun aspects of science. Each participant will be given a training pack with full details on how each activity can be used in the pre-school setting.</i>	€15	WIT Science Department

MAY CONTINUED

EVENT	DATE	FACILITATOR/TUTOR	COST	TIME & Venue
Physical Activity Workshop for CHILDMINDERS <i>(Participants will receive a start up pack with equipment for physical activities)</i>	Mon 18 th	Máire Cooke WCityCC <i>This practical workshop will give participants ideas for games that can be used for young children. The games will be based on fun, music and movement. 15 participants only.</i>	€10	7.00-9.00 p.m. Venue to be confirmed
Programme Ideas for After School Settings (NCNA course)	Sat 23 rd	NCNA Tutor <i>This workshop is suitable for people interested in setting up an After School service and for existing services who wish to extend their curriculum. For further information contact Kylie Johnson on 01 4601138</i>	€80 for NCNA members €96 for non NCNA	10p.m.– 4p.m. Children's Group Links, Military Road.
Outdoor Play	Tues 26 th	Marie Willoughby of Barnardos <i>This workshop will discuss the importance of outdoor play and give examples of activities .</i>	€15	7.00-9.00p.m. WCityCC offices

JUNE 2009

Toilet Training Workshop	To be Confirmed	Mary Clarke HSE	FREE	WCityCC offices Time to be confirmed
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JULY 2009

International Family Day Care Organisation Conference (IFDCO) 2009	July 20 th - 25 th	Various Speakers. This is a unique international conference focused on childminding. For further information contact www.ifdco.com or Childminding Ireland	Contact www.ifdco.com	University College Cork
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Application forms for courses enclosed. If further forms are required, the original can be photocopied, you can contact the office for more or you can download them from our website on www.waterfordcitychildcare.com

Watch out for our quarterly bulletins which will have additional information on training and upcoming events.

NETWORKS INFORMATION

Providers Network Meetings for all Provider groups continue throughout the year and meetings are held regularly. Special interest workshops are arranged on request for networks of Community, Private and Pre-school Providers.

For Providers Networks Information
Contact Deirdre on 051 860444

Childminders Networks, play mornings and arts and crafts mornings continue on a monthly basis

For Childminders Networks Information
Contact Susan on 051 860444

Parent Network Meetings are organised by the Parents sub-group of the Childcare Forum

For Parents Network Information
Contact Margaret Mulligan of WAP on 051 847140