



# CHILDMINDING DEVELOPMENT GRANT

**Roscommon County Childcare Committee are currently inviting Childminders in the county to apply for the Childminding Development Grant.**

**This grant is available to childminders in County Roscommon who meet the following criteria:**

- Currently provide a Childminding service (not including Childminders own children) for at least 3 children on a part-time basis or 1 child full-time be notified to the HSE if required by legislation
- Voluntary Notified to Roscommon County Childcare Committee
- Have completed the Introduction to Childminding Course/QAP
- Provide proof of insurance
- Provide PPs number
- Have applied for Garda Vetting
- Operate for a minimum of 2 years following receipt of the grant
- Provide matching funding of 10%
- Give permission for RCCC to use names in publications

**This grant is available until the closure of the National Childcare Investment Programme . (NCIP) 2008-2010.**

**TRAINING: Child protection Training has been rescheduled to take place on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> Sept: 7pm - 10pm and Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> Sept: 10am - 4pm. Venue to be confirmed**

**For further details contact Carmel Dunne, Childminding Advisory Officer @ 094 9622540 or e-mail [cmao@roscommonchildcare.ie](mailto:cmao@roscommonchildcare.ie)**

## **New Entrants to the Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) Scheme:**

Are you a childcare provider who is thinking of opening a new childcare service in Co. Roscommon or an existing service that is not currently in the ECCE scheme and wishes to apply to join the scheme? Roscommon County Childcare Committee (RCCC) are inviting applications from new entrants only for entry into the ECCE scheme. New entrants must make an application through RCCC. The closing date has been extended to 5pm on Friday May 21<sup>st</sup>. For further information contact RCCC on (094) 9622540.

## **ECCE and CCS for Existing Providers:**

Roscommon County Childcare Committee (RCCC) would like to remind existing providers that the deadline to reapply for the ECCE scheme and to transfer from the CCS to the CCS scheme has passed. If you have not done so, please contact the relevant Departments: Pobal or the OMCYA to do so.

**Parents / Carers, is your child ready to go to crèche or pre-school in September 2010? If so, would you like information regarding their eligibility for the Free Preschool Year in both Community and Private childcare services, and the Community Childcare Subvention scheme in Community Childcare Services ??????**

**Roscommon County Childcare Committee are holding Information Evenings for Parents on the following:**

- Early Childhood Care and Education scheme (Free Pre-school year)
- Community Childcare Subvention scheme (Subsidised childcare)
- What to look for when choosing a childcare service

**Choose a date best suited to you. They are:**

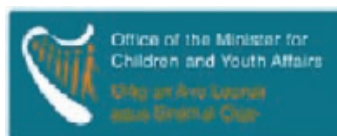
**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June (Abbey Hotel, Roscommon)**

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June (Boyle Social Services Pre-school, The Crescent, Boyle)**

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June (Monksland Community Centre, Athlone)**

**Time: 7.30pm – 8.30pm**

**Please contact us to book a place: (094) 9622540 or email: [info@roscommonchildcare.ie](mailto:info@roscommonchildcare.ie)**



## NCIP funding available for parent and toddler groups

Roscommon County Childcare Committee (RCCC) in collaboration with The Office of the Minister for Children & Youth Affairs (OMCYA) and the Katharine Howard Foundation (KHF) are delighted to announce that a small amount of NCIP funding is available for Parent and Toddler groups, both existing

and new, in Co. Roscommon.

RCCC are holding an informal launch of the Parent and Toddler Funding Initiative in 'Upsie Daisies', Lanesboro Road, Roscommon, on Tuesday 25th May from 11 am to 12.30 pm. The aim of this event is to have the opportunity to meet with parents and to provide as-

sistance to the groups with applications, while children are occupied doing what they do best, having fun. If you are in County Roscommon and currently operating a Parent and Toddler Group, looking to develop a new group or, would just like to find out more about this funding, please contact Helena

McArdle, Childcare Development Officer, RCCC on (094) 96 22540. Alternatively you can access and download the application form and eligibility criteria from our website [www.roscommonchildcare.ie](http://www.roscommonchildcare.ie). Please confirm your attendance at the launch on May 25th, to the above number.

### **AGM of RCCC**

The Annual General Meeting of Roscommon County Childcare Company Ltd. will take place in the Abbey Hotel in Roscommon on Wednesday 23rd June at 12.30 p.m. All are welcome to attend.