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In this June issue of Early Years eNews of the year we bring you details of a number of launches and announcements from DCEDIY including the Annual Early Years Sector Profile report, the new AIM website, outdoor play grants as well as news of the consultation taking place around Aistear.

There is also information about [the latest issue of Barnardos journal ChildLinks looking at nature-based preschools](#), the Barnardos Back to School Survey and other updates from our training and library teams.

If you have any information queries that we can help you with please don't hesitate to contact us at resources@barnardos. For daily updates [join us on Facebook](#).

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News and Developments From the Sector

New Issue of ChildLinks

[Issue 1, 2021 of Barnardos journal ChildLinks](#) is now available!

This issue of ChildLinks looks at nature-based preschools, where children spend most of their time engaged in free-play outdoors in a natural setting.

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Updates from Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth

DCEDIY have launched the [Annual Early Years Sector Profile Report 2019/20](#)

Minister O'Gorman has announced [outdoor play grants for ELC and SAC](#) to enhance outdoor play spaces as part of Summer of Play initiative

A newly designed [Access and Inclusion Model \(AIM\) website](#), designed with accessibility in mind, has been launched.

There are lots of new resources on [LetsGetReady 2021](#) for families on transitions to pre-school and primary school.

DCEDIY marked Global Day of Parents with [the](#)



Explore AIM



How to apply

Applying for AIM is a very straightforward process, AIM supports are divided into two main areas, universal and targeted supports.

[launch of a new parenting e-learning course and a range of reports on parenting in Ireland](#)

The team at LINC has put together an [outdoor experiences poster](#).

DCEDIY have announced the establishment of a fund and Hub na nÓg training to support implementation of the National Participation Framework for Children and Young People's Participation in Decision Making (2021). [Access the guidelines and application form now.](#)



Other Updates from Across the Sector

The NCCA is updating Aistear and holding a consultation. Phase 1 of consultation is now open and will be open until then end of the year. [Further detail on the Review can be found here](#)

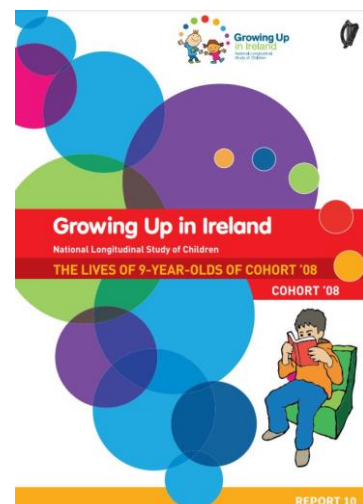
The Ombudsman for Children has launched [2020 Childhood Paused, The Ombudsman for Children's Office Annual Report](#)



The [latest report from the long-term Government study 'Growing up in Ireland'](#) has been published

Early Childhood Ireland have launched the first in a series of three [videos called Outdoor Play during COVID-19.](#)

Find out more about the new [Centre for Early Childhood in the UK](#)



Updates from Barnardos

Barnardos Back to School Survey

Our annual [Back to School survey](#) is officially online!

Every year, we listens to parents and guardians so we can let the Government know just how much it costs to send a child to school and remind them of their responsibility to deliver truly free education for all. [Please help us by taking the survey now.](#)

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- Access to our growing eBook collection
- Free online copy of Barnardos journal *Childlinks*

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Barnardos Summer/Autumn Training Webinars

- Children First Child Protection Training – (three dates) [29/30 June](#) / [10/11 August](#) / [14/15 Sept](#)
- Understanding the Impact of Trauma on Child Development – [10 July](#)
- An Introduction to Supervision in Early Learning and Care – [11 August](#)
- Designated Liaison Person Training – (two dates) [7/8 Sept](#) and [28/29 Sept](#)
- Making the Most of Supervision (3 day course for Supervisors) – [15/16 Sept/27 Oct](#)
- An Introduction to Infant Mental Health in Early Learning & Care – [22 Sept](#)
- Trauma Informed Practice in Early Learning and Care – [13 Oct](#)

To keep up to date with all of our training events please check the training section of our [website](#)

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Our Team Recommends...

You can now access Barnardos webinar held earlier this month

[Empowering Children – The impact of childhood domestic violence and abuse](#)



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