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Reminder - **Newpark Close Family Resource Centre** – Parenting Support Drop-in Service – meet on the second Tuesday every month – next meeting is Tuesday 10th July next - Time: 10.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.
Top tips, supports, advice and guidance on how to deal with specific parenting challenges from birth to 18 years.

FAIRYTALE FESTIVAL IN WOODSTOCK, INISTIIGE, CO. KILKENNY

The third annual Fairytale Festival is on Sunday July 22nd from 11am to 6pm! An enchanting day out for the entire family in Woodstock, Inistioge, Kilkenny.

It will be located in the beautiful grounds of Woodstock Gardens, Inistioge, Co Kilkenny.

The Fairytale Festival – a magical day out for all the family! Enjoy lots of fairytale themed fun including bouncy castles, archery, sing-along, arts and crafts, storytelling, fairy trail and the chance to meet some of your favourite fairytale characters.

Free parking on site. Children aged 2 and under go free. All attractions and activities are free.

Looking for something different to entertain the Children this summer holiday? remember to visit the amazing **Castlecomer Discovery park** which is a not for profit Community Social Enterprise. With 16 different activities on site there is something to entertain the youngest to the oldest in your family. Explore the beautiful walkways or dare to ride the Zip wire or swing about in the treetops. visit <http://www.discoverypark.ie> for full details

KILKENNY'S SPECIAL OLYMPIAN'S

KILKENNY ATHLETES DO US PROUD AT THE OLYMPICS!

Special Olympics changes lives in so many different ways. Special Olympics Ireland is first and foremost a sports organisation that provides athletes with far more than the physical benefits of sport.

It's about fun, friendships and team spirit; it's about a feeling of belonging, and ultimately improving quality of life. Which brings us to Special Olympics Games Ireland - Congratulations are due to the 10 Kilkenny athletes who competed in the Special Olympic Games Ireland in Dublin two weekends ago. They all put in a huge effort in their sports. Between them they brought home 7 Gold, 3 Silver and 2 Bronze medals

Through sport, athletes develop both physically and emotionally, they make new friends, realise their dreams, and know they can fit in.

Special Olympics enables them to achieve and win not only in sport but in life too

Well done to our Kilkenny athletes. Also a big thank you to all those who have sponsored and helped fund raising throughout the year. Check out www.kilkennyppn.ie/news to see photos of the Kilkenny Athletes



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GRANTS

The Community Enhancement Programme Funding Scheme 2018 - Scheme closes on the 13th July 18 This is the scheme that community groups have been waiting for and you have until the 13th of July to submit your application. There has been a change to the scheme this year in that 2 schemes have been combined into one. The rapid grant for areas of disadvantage and the community facilities grant. please read the guidelines carefully. The programme can fund or partially fund larger scale capital projects to address disadvantage. The total funding allocation for Kilkenny is €136, 300

All information, application forms and guidelines can be found at :
<https://www.kilkennycoco.ie/eng/RSSLatestNewsAndAnnouncements/Community-Enhancement-Grant-Programme-2018.html>

TOPAZ' CASH FOR CLUBS OPENING FOR ENTRIES

Topaz is giving local clubs a chance to win Cash for their Clubs. Grand prize of €10,000/£10,000 for the main winner plus lots of runner up prizes!

How Does it Work?

Collect 1 TOKEN with every €30 fuel purchased at participating Circle K / Topaz. Register your Club today and start collecting tokens for your Club from July 4th.

Prizes - 1 Club will win €10,000

Various other wildcard and runner up prizes will be given out throughout the competition.

It all kicks off on 4 July 2018 - learn more here www.playorpark.ie/cash-for-clubs

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THE IRISH HUMAN RIGHTS AND EQUALITY COMMISSION: HUMAN RIGHTS AND EQUALITY GRANT SCHEME 2018

The Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission is proud to announce that the Human Rights and Equality Grant Scheme 2018 is now open for applications.

The aim of this scheme is to encourage leadership and excellence with a view to creating a deeper culture of human rights and equality in Ireland. It supports eligible activities that relate to one or both of the themes of:

- A. Intercultural Understanding and Diversity;
- B. Supporting the Implementation of the Public Sector Duty.

For more information, visit <https://www.ihrec.ie/our-work/human-rights-and-equality-grants-scheme/>

The closing date for receipt of applications is 31st of July 2018 at 5.00pm.

COCA-COLA THANK YOU FUND APPLICATIONS CLOSE MID-JULY

Launched seven years ago the Coca-Cola Thank You Fund has so far donated €855K to 70 non-profit organisations across Ireland. Official partners include the Irish Youth Foundation and Youth Action Northern Ireland.

The Coca-Cola Thank You Fund will award a total of €100,000 to youth-oriented non-profit organisations in 2018. Grants will be awarded ranging from anywhere from €5,000 to €30,000. This year applicants will also be invited to submit a 60-second video to support their application.

The €100,000 Thank You Fund seeks to fund projects that inspire and support young people in Ireland and Northern Ireland. Applications are encouraged across a range of categories – the Fund aims to:

Bridge the divide between education and the workplace

Encourage diversity and inclusion

Empower young people to become leaders of the future

Welcome innovative approaches to sustainability.

Discover More

You can apply to the Thank You Fund 2018 via <http://www.coca-cola.ie/thank-you-fund-application-form>

The shortlisted applicants will be announced through the Coca-Cola website in September when they'll be invited to present their ideas to a panel of judges.

The People's Choice Award

A new element this year is 'The People's Choice Award'. Out of all the entries submitted to the Thank You Fund, 20 organisations will be chosen to be posted on www.coca-cola.ie, where they'll be put to the public vote. The winning organisation will receive €10,000 in funding from the Coca-Cola Thank You Fund.

All of the winners of the Coca-Cola Thank You Fund will be announced at Zeminar, a conference for young people held in the RDS in Dublin, in November.

Applications are open until midnight on Friday 13 July 2018.

THE MEET AND CODE FUND INVITING APPLICATIONS

Meet and Code are excited to announce this opportunity to prepare children and young people in Ireland for the digital world of tomorrow.

Meet and Code are funding digital and coding events of all kinds during the EU Code Week from

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October 6 to 21, 2018. From IT workshops to robot courses and events with trendsetting subjects like Artificial Intelligence or Work 4.0, charities can receive a grant of €500 for support of their EU Code Week event.

The Meet and Code fund is open to registered charities located in the Republic of Ireland. The planned events must take place during EU Code Week 2018 (6 - 21 October 2018) and must address at least 20 children and/or young people aged between 8 and 24.

How to enter?

Entering is very easy just visit <http://www.meet-and-code.org/ie/ie> and follow these four steps.

Register your organisation on the Meet and Code website.

Enter your planned event.

Wait for your application to be approved and receive your grant.

Host your event.

Charitable organisations that carry out a funded event through Meet and Code are eligible to participate in the Meet and Code Awards. Find out more here.

Submissions are now open via the Meet and Code website and will close on 15 September 2018.

PUBLIC INFORMATION

Village Health Check - MOONCOIN & GOWRAN

Kilkenny County Council will be undertaking Village Health Checks in Gowran and Mooncoin. The Village Health Checks will involve consultation with people who live in, work in and visit each village.

Public Information Evenings on these events will be held as follows:-

For residents of Gowran – on Monday, 16th July 2018, in Gowran Parish Hall at 8.00p.m.

For residents of Mooncoin – on Tuesday, 17th July, in Mooncoin Parish Hall at 8.00p.m.

Kilkenny County Council looks forward to seeing you there.

Need Free Labour for a job for your organisation/group

Community Service is an alternative to incarceration and an opportunity for an individual to pay back and repair harm done to a community. People on community service orders provide free labour on community work projects. They do not replace paid workers.

This work can be done in two ways small work groups supervised by an employee of the probation service typical work includes gardening/ground works/Painting etc. or individual placements where the organisation provides support through a link person typical placement in charity shops, cleaning for an organisation/sports club.

In order to avail of this service all you need is to have work that needs to be done, have public liability insurance and be able to cover the cost of the materials.

All work is full supervised and assessed for risk by the probation supervisor.

If your organisation could do with an extra pair of hands for a job just contact Derry Gahan on 087 7012816 or email DXgahan@probation.ie

SPC 3 Planning & development – the latest report from the PPN representative from the July 2018 meeting can be viewed here

<https://kilkennyppn.ie/resources/spc-3-planning-and-development-ppn-representative-report-july-2018/>

Public Health Notice: With the continued spell of hot weather more and more people are falling sick from dehydration and e-coli infections - please see links below to **warm weather advice** issued by the HSE in relation to the effects of the warm weather particularly for the vulnerable, water conservation and food preparation

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The Former home of Smithwicks Brewery set to become a vibrant new urban quarter in the heart of Kilkenny City

On Wednesday morning the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation, Heather Humphreys, TD officially launched the Abbey Quarter formerly the Smithwicks Brewery in the heart of the City. The event was well attended with representatives from the political, business, community and education sectors.



The minister gave a well received address and the CEO of Kilkenny County Council Collette Byrne gave an inspiring speech. She talked about the ambitious plans for the site that will offer a mix of business, educational, community and living spaces with a mix of social and private housing. She was respectful of the heritage of the site and emphasised the importance of preserving the past while planning for the future. She put pressure on the Minister to consider the development an IT Educational campus on the site and urged her to consider Kilkenny as the prime location for the recently proposed National Design Centre.

The recent announcement of €12.3million loan allocation from the Ireland Strategic Investment Fund for the site coupled with the planned Eastern Environs housing and schools development make for exciting times ahead for Kilkenny....the full press release for the former Brewery site can be found here

<http://www.kilkennyppn.ie/news>

LIBRARIES NEWS

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SUMMER READING CHALLENGE FOR CHILDREN - continues until Aug 31st! Pick up your reading card, and collect gifts along your summer holiday reading journey!

AGRI-KIDS FARM SAFETY WORKSHOP takes place on Tuesday 24th July at 2.30. Free

CASTLECOMER LIBRARY'S LADIES' FRIENDSHIP CLUB meet twice monthly in Library meeting room. Join them for a cuppa, chat and exchange of views and information! Next meeting: Tuesday 17th July 10.30am -12pm. Facilitator: Sarah Kearns at 056 7771404

STORYTIME AND CRAFTS for children every Wednesday morning at 11.30pm. Introduce your child to the joy of reading! Free!

ADULT AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB: meet on Tuesday 31st July at 2.30. New members welcome!

JUNIOR BOOK CLUB - Castlecomer Library Junior Book club will meet next on Wednesday August 1st at 3pm to pick some summer reads.

CLASSIC FILM CLUB: - Adults! come to a free showing of a favourite classic at 3pm on Wednesday July 25th.
Phone 056 4440561 for more information on any of the above.

Glanbia Agribusiness & Kilkenny Library Service present: **Agrikids Workshops during Farm Safety week**

If you love looking at the cows or watching a tractor at work, than you are an AgriKid-but we also want you to stay safe and to know when to play and when to stay away! Agrikids FarmSafety will visit some of our libraries on Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th July to engage, educate and empower children to be farm safety ambassadors.

All are welcome –and children can dress in their favourite farming clothes if you wish!!

Tuesday 24th July :
Urlingford Library, Urlingford, Co. Kilkenny 12-1pm
Castlecomer Library 2.30-3.30pm

Wednesday 25th July:
Callan Library , Clonmel Road, Callan, Co. Kilkenny 10.30-11.30am
Thomastown, Marshes Street, Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny 12.30-1.30pm
Graiguenamanagh Library, Convent Road, Graiguenamanagh, Co. Kilkenny 3.30-4.30pm

Relax Kids Workshops

Relax Kids workshops with coach Gillian Coady will be held in 3 of our branches during the summer holiday. These are a chance for children aged 6-10 years to chill for a while, and learn some simple ways to unwind.

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A Relax Kids workshop includes warm-up, and movement, fun drama-based games, relaxing mindfulness games, stretching and breathing exercises, massage, affirmations and visualisations.
City Library, John's Quay on Thursday 2nd August, at 11.00am
Castlecomer Library: Tuesday 7th August at 11am
Loughboy Library: Tuesday 31st July at 11am (Fully Booked)

Booking is essential as places are limited to 8.

Kilkenny Library Service Local Studies Department

Kilkenny Local Studies Department is situated in our Library Headquarters, John's Green.

We offer a reference and research service, and are dedicated to preserving and enhancing the collective memory of Kilkenny City and County. The library holds a wide range of material on the history of Kilkenny City and County. The collection consists of over 7,900 individual items - books, journals, newspapers, photographs, audio visual material, manuscripts, maps and microfilm.

Onsite Facilities include: Microfilm (booking advised), Photocopying, Printing and Staff Assistance. Materials can be reproduced subject to copyright.

What Local Studies can offer you?

- Access to local newspapers, past and present. Local newspapers include Kilkenny Journal, Moderator and People, Munster Express and Finn's Leinster Journal
- Maps – Library collection and Historical Maps online
- Information on local historical events, people and places
- Photographic archive and old postcards
- Kilkenny Studies – authors and works
- Kilkenny folklore and traditions
- Access to archives
- Group visits

To book, phone 056 779 4176 or email info@kilkennylibrary.ie.

Have a lovely weekend peeps and wear sun screen

kind regards,
Katherine Peacock
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[To opt-out of PPN -send opt-out and organisation name here](#)

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