

# Early Years

# EDUCATION SHOW

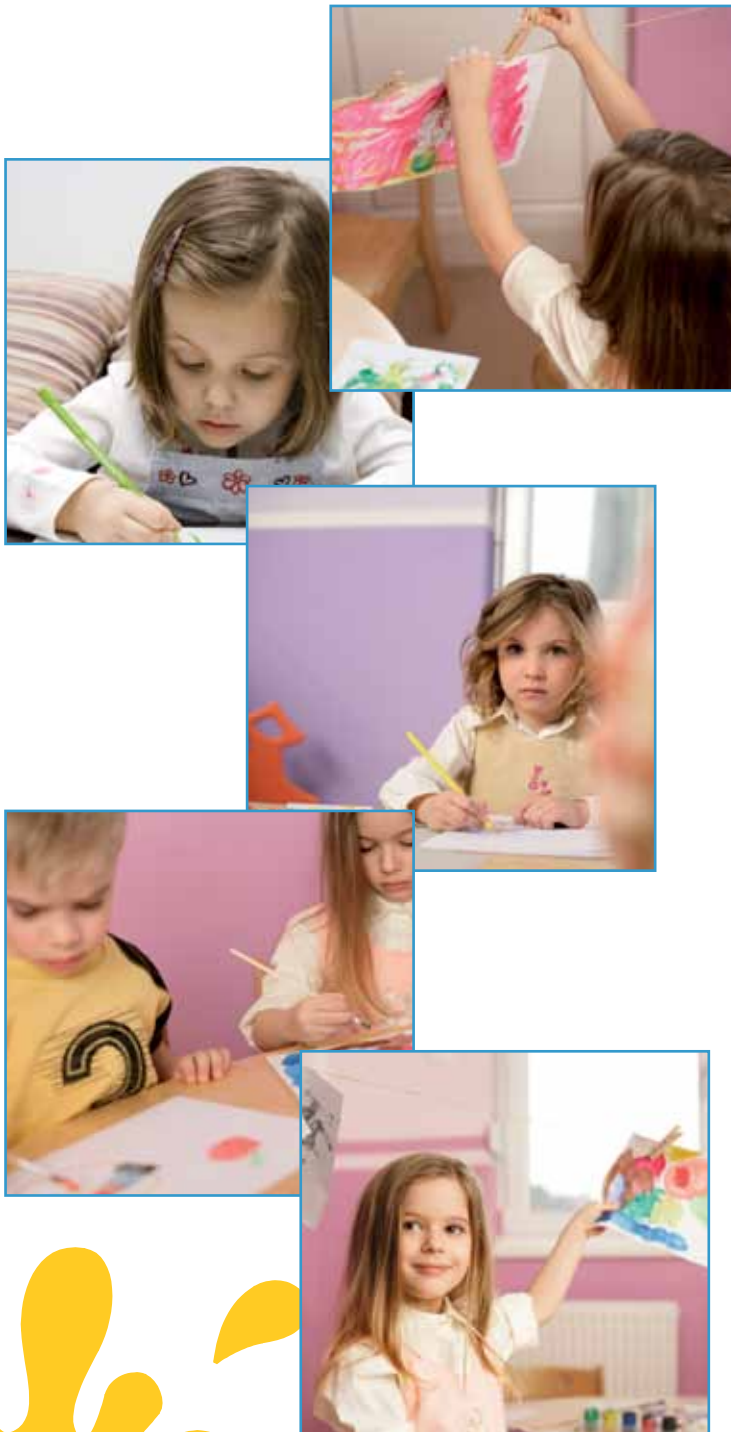
**RDS, Dublin**

**COME AND VISIT IRELAND'S LEADING EDUCATIONAL SUPPLY COMPANIES**

**23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> April 2010**

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> from 10am - 7pm

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## AN GÚM

01 8892800

[www.forasnagaelige.ie](http://www.forasnagaelige.ie)

Eagraíocht Stáit is ea An Gúm atá ag obair i ngort na foilsitheoireachta Gaeilge ó 1926 i leith. I gcatalóg an Ghúim faightear pictiúrleabhair, leabhair mhóire, leabhair folach bíog, leabhair rime mar aon le póstaeir, pictiúrcháirteáí agus preabcháirteáí. Tapaigh an deis na háiseanne éagsúla seo a fheiceáil ag seastán an Ghúim ag EYE Show 2010.

AN GÚM is a State body that has been publishing in the Irish language since 1926. Its catalogue includes picture books, big books, interactive books with 'moving parts', in addition to posters, picturecards and flashcards. You are welcome to visit our stand at the EYE Show 2010 where these resources will be available.

## AN MÁLA MÓR

086 2647469

[www.malamor.ie](http://www.malamor.ie)

'An Mála Mór' Irish theme packs have been designed by primary school teachers to enhance the teaching of the Irish language to children.

The packs include an interactive CD Rom and lots of hands on interactive resources and activities to enhance the teaching and learning of Irish in any setting.

## BARNARDOS

01 850 222 300

[www.barnardos.ie/bigtoddle](http://www.barnardos.ie/bigtoddle)

The DANONE BIG TODDLE for BARNARDOS invites toddle groups from junior schools, crèches, Montessori's and families to do a simple half-mile sponsored toddle. Thanks to the ongoing generous sponsorship of Danone, every cent raised goes directly to the essential work Barnardos does with vulnerable children in Ireland. To register your group or to talk to the Toddle team visit our stand today!

## BIBS AND KIDS... KEEPING KIDS CLEAN!

01 442 9205

[www.bibsandkids.ie](http://www.bibsandkids.ie)

**20% OFF: EYE Show Special Offer:**

Order and pay today and we will give you 20% OFF all aprons, smocks and bibs.

Bibs and Kids specialise in painting aprons, polishing aprons, Montessori gingham smocks, staff aprons, baby and toddler bibs and children's hand towels.

Smart, practical and comfortable to wear, our products are made from high quality materials and are hard-wearing, machine washable and long lasting, making them a big hit with crèches, schools, children and parents.

## BOOKS4KIDS4LESS

01 8029855

[www.books4kids4less.ie](http://www.books4kids4less.ie)

Books4kids4less supply a fabulous range of children's books for all ages at affordable prices, toys, educational resources and pre-school graduation gowns. Call in at the show and pick up some great deals on our already low prices. You can also visit us at [www.books4kids4less.ie](http://www.books4kids4less.ie) or come along to The Bubble Room our new shop in Skerries, Co Dublin.

## CHILDCARE.IE

01 2016000

[www.childcare.ie](http://www.childcare.ie)

Ireland's National Childcare Directory is used by over 25,000 parents each month. Simply logging on to [www.childcare.ie](http://www.childcare.ie) allows parents to search any area of Ireland and see what childcare options are available to them. Visit the stand for a full demonstration and if you are a childcare provider you will be able to register your details online.

## CLEVER KIDS

0818 300271

[www.cleverkids.ie](http://www.cleverkids.ie)

CleverKids is a leading supplier of quality children's preschool furniture and craft materials.

We have a comprehensive range of preschool furniture/equipment at value prices.

We will be selling craft packs on our stand at the EYE Show so pop along for some real bargains. We look forward to meeting you, Deirdre & Declan.

## CRAWFORD PLAY

053 9146 606

[www.sportssurfaces.ie](http://www.sportssurfaces.ie)

Crawford Play is Ireland's leading specialist in the design and construction of outdoor playground facilities. We provide a full playground construction service from free site surveys through to playground equipment installation and wetpour rubber safety surfacing. We now also offer a unique and delightful pre-school furniture range manufactured by Eibe.

## CRUMB RUBBER

042 93 82611

[www.crumbbrubber.ie](http://www.crumbbrubber.ie)

Crumb Rubber Ireland manufacture a range of durable, safe and colourful playground products. All products are guaranteed Irish, made from recycled rubber and tested for safety ratings and BS EN 1177 standards. Rubber chippings and mats are the ideal protection for all play areas. They will not compact, offering excellent cushioning to keep play areas clean and safe.

Crumb Rubber recently won the prestigious Green Entrepreneur award for 2010. For the full range of colours, sizes and finishes email [info@crumbbrubber.ie](mailto:info@crumbbrubber.ie)

## DUBLIN ZOO

01 4748900

[www.dublinzoo.ie](http://www.dublinzoo.ie)

Dublin Zoo is about learning, conservation, research and fun. The Zoo has a year round education calendar to cater for all levels (pre-school, primary and secondary). The Education Centre allows "hands-on" learning (live animals and a range of touchable biofacts such as skulls, furs, feathers etc). to further enhance the educational experience and offers a unique dimension to the school curriculum. Education Department, Dublin Zoo, Phoenix Park, Dublin 8. Tel +353 1 4748932 or email: [education@dublinzoo.ie](mailto:education@dublinzoo.ie)

## EASE EDUCATION

056 7768088

[www.ease.ie](http://www.ease.ie) [info@ease.ie](mailto:info@ease.ie)

If it is value you are looking for check out our new 2010 catalogues. With an extensive range of products to choose and special offers throughout. From furniture to early learning materials, we have lots of new and exciting products to choose from. View our full product range online at [www.ease.ie](http://www.ease.ie) or call us to get your catalogues. We offer a professional and personal service and would be delighted to assist you in room layout or with a quote.

## EDUTHINK

056 7712569

[www.eduthink.ie](http://www.eduthink.ie)

EdThink set out to help children in their motor and kinesthetic development. Believing that toys should not only be fun but also educational, each range is carefully selected so children learn through creative and imaginative play while encouraging children to think. All toys are CE tested and are suitable for children aged 0 years +

## EOLAS EDUCATION

01 2880688

[julieannehudson@eircom.net](mailto:julieannehudson@eircom.net)

Books for children. We specialise in supplying books suitable from Birth to Primary school aged children. We select books from a range of suppliers and look for multicultural content, real-life, strong story content and much more. We have the books that you need. Come and see our excellent range at the show.

## FORTRESSPLAY

048 9034 2655

[www.fortressplay.com](http://www.fortressplay.com)

Fortressplay based near Belfast, specializes in the design, supply and installation of playgrounds which promote physical fitness through fun. Fortressplay, together with their Principals, Proludic and Gametime, encourage educators to see playgrounds in a new light by providing the FUN-damentals to promote physical activity and wellness habits through play.

## FINDEL / HOPE EDUCATION

01 4273100

[www.hope-education.co.uk](http://www.hope-education.co.uk)

Hope Education offers the very best range of inspiring resources to anyone who plays a part in educating children. From replacing an individual piece of equipment to setting up a brand new nursery, Hope Education is dedicated to providing value for money and educational expertise.

## FUNKYPLAYGROUNDS

087 2783078

[www.funkyplaygrounds.com](http://www.funkyplaygrounds.com)

With the credit crunch in mind, Funkyplaygrounds can tailor the design and installation of a small, medium or large playground to suit your needs or revamp your existing play area. Their imaginative and natural designs ensure that you make the most of your budget. It's amazing what can be achieved with some thought and simple professional know-how!

## GA GROUP

1850 211553

[www.gagroup.ie](http://www.gagroup.ie)

GA Group supply the complete range of Cleaning Detergents including it's highly successful and cost effective INTENSIVE range, which are easy to use and offer great value for money. Our range also includes the Paper, Gloves, Cleaning Equipment, and some highly innovative products like Toolflex and new to the Ireland the NAPKLEEN range of disposable bibs for children.

We offer guaranteed next day delivery in Ireland, come and see us for some very special show offers.

## GALGORM GROUP

048 25663435

[www.galgormgroup.com](http://www.galgormgroup.com)

Galgorm Group based in Ballymena and Belfast offer a range of colourful pre-school furniture which adds a vibrant flair to any facility. The range of adjustable height tables and contoured chairs provide important ergonomic benefits to younger children. Where space is an issue, a range of lightweight folding tables is also available.

## ILLE PAPER SERVICE

051-441000

[www.ille.ie](http://www.ille.ie)

Ille is a Service Company committed to supplying our customers with innovative products designed to achieve both Cost Savings and enhance customer facilities. Ille operates a Nationwide Service and Delivery system using our own team of Installation and Service Personnel. Ille provides and services the customers with the necessary equipment to use Ille refills without any cost for the equipment.

## KILLESTER COLLEGE OF FURTHER EDUCATION

01 8337686

[www.killestercollege.ie](http://www.killestercollege.ie)

Killester College courses are certified by the Further Education and Training Awards Council (FETAC). They are developed and updated in consultation with prospective employers to ensure that they are of most relevance to our students' needs and those of prospective employers. If you are looking to pursue a career in childcare or would like to enquire about advancing your current FTEC level then visit our stand or website to find the best option for you.

## LETS GROW/ MONTESSORI DOOR TO DOOR

042 9694 652

[www.letsgrow.ie](http://www.letsgrow.ie)

Why pay more – Buy from Lets grow and Montessori Door to Door. Nienhuis Montessori and the best quality and value economy range on line at [www.letsgrow.ie](http://www.letsgrow.ie)  
Super show offers on Lets grow Bulk Sets.  
Simone has developed more Montessori language support materials and will be happy to show them to you.

## LETTERLAND INTERNATIONAL

+ 44 1 2232 65728

[www.letterland.com](http://www.letterland.com)

Visit our stand to see how Letterland pictograms are now more effective than ever. Fun for both teachers and pupils, our extensive range of products and teaching techniques help you introduce synthetic phonics in a stimulating environment for faster, easier learning.

Encourage pupils speaking and listening skills, develop their understanding of the 44 sounds while introducing over 150 spelling patterns using our child friendly phonics system.

## LISHEEN MONTESSORI EQUIPMENT

066 7133436

[www.lisheenmontessori.com](http://www.lisheenmontessori.com)

Montessori Equipment are Irish manufacturers and distributors of Montessori and pre-school equipment. All our products are individually hand crafted and finished to a very high standard. Within Ireland we operate a mail order system of direct sales to our customers with a time delivery of twenty eight days. Discount on every order placed.

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087 2408799

Established in Spring 2000; we specialise in producing quality children's meals, exclusively for childcare providers. Our aim is to provide wholesome, palatable, and varied meals, thereby promoting a balanced diet and encouraging the development of a broad range of tastes.

All meals are prepared by us, to the highest food safety and nutritional standards, using quality ingredients, from reputable, HACCP compliant suppliers.

We provide full, monthly, menu planning. You just tell us your daily requirements and we take care of the rest, including special diets, individually flagged.

We deliver all our meals directly to a fridge, provided by us. You just heat and serve.

**MELLOWES ADVENTURE & CHILDCARE**

046 9433921

[www.mellowes.ie](http://www.mellowes.ie)

Mellowes Adventure & Childcare caters for educational School / Crèche Tours, Children's Birthday Parties, Scouts, Guides, Parent and Toddler, Groups/ Clubs, Montessori and Full/Part Time Childcare. Mellowes is a place where children are introduced to a world that provides fun activities with an educational foundation. Bringing your child to Mellowes will open them up to a world of adventure.

**MICHAEL DOHERTY SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

01 4636680

[www.mdss.ie](http://www.mdss.ie)

We stock a full range of Crèche, Montessori and Pre-school equipment including early learning, games and toys. We also supply primary and secondary school books, stationary, computer supplies and Art & Craft material. See also [www.schoolbookshop.ie](http://www.schoolbookshop.ie)

**MENINGITIS TRUST**

01 2762050 / 1800 523196

[www.meningitis-trust.ie](http://www.meningitis-trust.ie)

Meningitis affects people of all ages therefore a visit to this stand is a must. Pick up your Meningitis Trust pack containing life saving information and find out about our education and support services. There is a 24hr helpline staffed by nurses at 1800-523196 or call our offices to arrange counselling services, one to one contacts, home visits or to arrange information materials and awareness training.

**MOON & SPOON**

048 41754646

[www.moonandspoon.com](http://www.moonandspoon.com)

Two mothers have created carefully devised menus for children with both the nutritional balance and children's likes and dislikes in mind. They offer the ultimate in convenience with handily packaged meals delivered to your door 52 weeks of the year. Their delicious range of dishes is also suitable for children who have specific dietary requirements. All meals are prepared with fresh ingredients and have no added colourings, flavourings or preservatives.

**NCNA**

01 4601138

[www.ncna.ie](http://www.ncna.ie)

The National Children's Nurseries Association was established in 1998 to promote high standards of quality childcare. Members of the association (600+) promote the physical, intellectual, emotional and social development of the children in their care, in a warm, welcoming and safe environment. The association mainly concentrates on providing advice, support and training for member nurseries as well as raising public awareness regarding issues affecting the childcare sector.

**NPCP**

086 2399731

[www.npcp.ie](http://www.npcp.ie)

The National association of Private Childcare Providers (NPCP) is a voluntary body set up to represent the views of the private provider. The NPCP is an 'independent' body whose primary focus is to represent the business views of the childcare sector, influence change and to promote quality childcare in Ireland. The NPCP is run on a voluntary basis by concerned childcare providers.

**RAINBUSTERS**

0402 36336

[www.rainbusters.ie](http://www.rainbusters.ie)

Rainbusters.ie is an Irish Outdoor Specialist supplying waterproof, windproof and flexible rainwear for children. Kids love wearing our funky rain sets, made with children's play in mind. We offer exceptional value for money with great quality products and group discounts for Crèches and Montessori's. Play the Rain away, everyday, that's our motto.

**RUBBERLOCK**

01 4199636

[www.dynamicoffice.ie](http://www.dynamicoffice.ie)

Rubberlock are specialists in indoor and outdoor safety flooring for crèches and schools. Flooring is made from a shock absorbing, colourfast, anti-bacterial material that also has noise reduction properties. Ideal solutions for toddler soft play areas, wet playrooms and outdoor play activities for all age groups. Full design and backup service nationwide. If your playground is discoloured have it rejuvenated and bring it back to life.

**POLYFLOR IRELAND**

01 8649304

[www.polyflor.com](http://www.polyflor.com)

High performance and good looks are key to classroom flooring. Easy maintenance and high light reflectance levels combine to create an environment that encourages learning. Polyflor's portfolio of floor coverings has options to suit various budgets, together with low maintenance products that will reduce whole-life costs.

## SVL SAFE CARE IRELAND

01 4587200

Safe Care Ireland offers safety protection solutions to Irish childcare and educational facilities. We deliver solutions that help owners and managers not only offer safe environments for children but also extend the life of their premises. Providing: wall coverings, Cushioned corner protectors, Padded wall & floor coverings, Finger guards.

## SAFE CRECHE

01 4982242

[www.safecreche.ie](http://www.safecreche.ie)

Have you ever dropped your child into their crèche and spent the day wondering if the staff were going to care for them properly? Have you tried to manage a childcare facility and show parents that your team are to be trusted? Safe crèche is an independent monitoring service for childcare providers in Ireland that shows parents which facilities are the very best. Log into [safecreche.ie](http://safecreche.ie) for more info.

## SANCTUARY SYNTHETICS

045 901970

[www.sanctuarylandscapes.ie](http://www.sanctuarylandscapes.ie)

"Goodbye wellies, dry cleaning, disgruntled parents and cabin fever. Hello to clean and safe new all weather grass.

Without nasty rubber or sand infill, children can happily play on our non slip, stain or fade surfaces. Virtually maintenance free and guaranteed for a decade. Almost 50 crèches nationwide.

Also featuring new Hidbin Invention as seen on the Dragons Den!!

## SIMPLY SIGNING

01 8971254

[www.simplysigning.ie](http://www.simplysigning.ie)

"Simply Signing promotes the education of Irish Sign Language to all children, providing a colourful access through our publications, devoted to early intervention and educational work with infants, children, educators and caregivers. We provide workshops and courses to parents and care professionals enabling a skill and competency in the use of Irish Sign Language within a child centred environment. To promote inclusiveness, enhance communication, develop understanding and support hearing children's literacy through Irish Sign Language".

## SING YOUR NAME

087 2381267

[www.singyourname.ie](http://www.singyourname.ie)

Sing your name is the only company of its type in Ireland offering a complete product line of personalised products for small children. Our product range goes from personalised poems, posters & growth charts to personalised Teddy and Cd's where the child's name is sung in every song, and with over 5000 names available no child will be disappointed!

## SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL ESSENTIALS

087 6873561 - 091 847141

[www.seessentialtails.ie](http://www.seessentialtails.ie)

An exciting new range of high quality furniture and an extensive choice of games & teaching resources that have been developed to promote sensory perception & child creativity, including toys for manipulating skills, construction, physical activity, Montessori, Art & Craft and special needs. All our products are developed in close co-operation with educationalists and designers.

## SPECTRUM EDUCATIONAL

1890 812040

[www.spectrumeducational.ie](http://www.spectrumeducational.ie)

Spectrum Educational was established in 1982. We are a leading supplier of unique art and craft materials and quality early years educational equipment in the U.K.

2010 is our 3rd year operating in the Irish market and we have sales advisors in all counties.

To arrange a visit from one of the team to your school or playgroup call 1890 812040 or visit [www.spectrumeducational.ie](http://www.spectrumeducational.ie)

We are also offering

**5% discount on all orders over €100 and 10% discount on all orders over €200 placed on either day of the show.**

## T & A MEDICAL

087 2031393 / 086 8122388

T & A Medical will be exhibiting the Thermoflash LX26, NO CONTACT Infrared thermometer. The LX 26 is the QUICKEST, most RELIABLE and ACCURATE THERMOMETER to check baby or child's temperature without risk of cross infection. It can also be used to check baby's bottle, food or bath temperature.

Visit our stand for a demonstration.

## USBORNE BOOKS

087 1363916

Usborne Books at Home and School makes it easy for families, teachers, librarians and educationalists to see & choose brilliant award-winning books. We would like to invite you to come and visit us at our stand to view these simply beautiful, engaging and informative books and find out how you can avail of great discounts and free books.

## WICKSTEED PLAYSCAPES

+ 44 1536517028

[www.wicksteed.co.uk](http://www.wicksteed.co.uk)

Wixteed Playscapes is the leading designer/ manufacturer of playground and sports equipment for schools and local Authorities throughout Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland and offers the widest range of play/sports equipment from a single source. Check out [www.wicksteed.co.uk](http://www.wicksteed.co.uk) to see their huge range and extensive guarantees.

## YBIKE

087 6657438

[www.ybike.co.za](http://www.ybike.co.za)

ATM Sports are a company that offer a free Motor Skills development course to crèches, nurseries, kindergardens, and pre - schools. They also offer a very nicely designed range of ride on products for sale.

**Industries Hall, RDS, Dublin**

**FREE ADMISSION**

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## FREE WORKSHOPS

### Workshop 1 (11:45) What you need to know about Meningitis

The Meningitis Trust presentation provides comprehensive information to childcare professionals, playschools, crches and the general public on meningitis and meningococcal disease (meningitis and septicaemia).

### Workshop 2 (12:00) What types of learning experiences are important for young children?

**Aistear** - This workshop will look at what Aistear is, who it is for, and what's in it. It will also provide opportunities to look in detail at the types of experiences that are important to help children learn and develop in their early childhood. The new curriculum framework for children from birth to six years, was published online at [www.ncca.ie/earlylearning](http://www.ncca.ie/earlylearning) in October 2009. Workshops will be facilitated by Arlene Forster who is a Director in the National Council for Curriculum and Assessment (NCCA).

### Workshop 3 (1:30) Employment Legislation: You need to know

This presentation will give you an overview of employment rights legislation and a brief guide to NERA Inspections. The presentation will be hosted by the National Employment Rights Authority.

### Workshop 4 (3:30) How can I as a practitioner nurture children's learning and development?

**Aistear** -This workshop will look at how Aistear can support practitioners in their day-to-day work in enriching and extending children's learning and development. It will focus in particular on adult-child interactions, play, assessment, and partnerships with parents and families. The new curriculum framework for children from birth to six years, was published online at [www.ncca.ie/earlylearning](http://www.ncca.ie/earlylearning) in October 2009. Workshops will be facilitated by Arlene Forster who is a Director in the National Council for Curriculum and Assessment (NCCA).

### Workshop 5 (4:45) Using Irish Sign Language for Hearing Children Literacy

Simply Signing presents this workshop to show how sign language can be used to improve hearing children's vocabulary, reading, spelling, self esteem and comfort of expressing emotions.

Workshop space is limited so please come early

Find out more at  
[www.educationshow.ie](http://www.educationshow.ie)

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