



Kerry CSC Language & Play Project

Language & Play Programme

The Language & Play Programme is aimed at parents & carers of children aged 0-3 years

The programme is run over 6 weeks (6 x 90 minute interactive workshops) and encourages parents to interact and play with their children in a positive way to promote and stimulate their child's Language & numeracy development, including increasing their range of words and vocabulary. The programme also promotes a strong healthy relationship with parent and child through fun activities.



THE AIMS OF THE PROGRAMME ARE:

- To foster parents confidence in their ability to support their child's early years development
 - To improve Literacy & numeracy development in children in their early years
 - To encourage and explore communication and methods of play
 - To highlight the importance of storytelling, nursery rhymes, songs and sharing books
- To prepare children for Learning when they start pre-school through developing their social & fine motor skills



THE 6 THEMES /TOPICS COVERED IN THE L&P PROGRAMME WORKSHOPS INCLUDE:

1. The Importance of Talk Lots of tips for speaking & listening to your child using treasure baskets and quality play stimulation, to promote the importance of early communication

2. Routines Ideas on how to include your child in routines; give good clear instructions and develop early self-help skills

3. Out & About Focusing on the world outside, making the most of car journeys, shopping & daily outings

4. Books & Story Telling Opening the world of books to you and your child. Endless ideas on using props, making books and sharing books and stories

5. Songs & Rhymes Promoting the use of song and rhyme as a powerful early literacy tool, by sharing rhyme and song using puppets.

6. Mark making Introducing Learning to write as a process identifying the importance of scribble.

