This course is being offered as a result of a collaboration between the following agencies



The Church of Ireland Theological Institute

Church of Ireland Children's Ministry Network





Sunday School Society for Ireland



Consultative Group on Ministry among Children A network of Churches Together in Britain and Ireland

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# Church of Ireland Children's Ministry Certificate



October 2011—May 2012 (one Saturday morning per month) (seven Saturdays)

Dublin (Church of Ireland Theological Institute)

Lisburn (Christ Church Parish Halls)

# Church of Ireland Children's Ministry Certificate

Who is the Church of Ireland Children's Ministry Certificate for? Anyone (over the age of 18) working in children's ministry as either a volunteer or paid role.

When is it taking	place?	Saturday's	10am — 1pm
15 October	12/19 November - 'Building Blocks' Conference		
10 December	14 January		
11 February	10 March	21 April	

Where is it running? (in both venues at the same time) Church of Ireland Theological Institute, Braemor Park, Dublin Christ Church Parish Halls, Lisburn

#### What is expected?

The Certificate will be awarded for attendance at all the sessions of the course and attendance at the Building Blocks conference (Belfast or Dublin) (cost of Building Blocks included in course fee). There is an option to obtain 20 University CAT points through completing a short reflective journal and two essays.

# Who is delivering the course?

Members of the Church of Ireland Children's Ministry Network who are all experienced trainers and practitioners in children's ministry in local parishes.

# How much does it cost?

The course costs  $\notin$ 95 or  $\pounds$ 80. We would hope that parishes pay this fee for their leaders attending.

#### What is covered?

Most of the training is based on **Core Skills for Children's Work\***. This exciting training scheme seeks to resource all those who work with children in the church. The material is creative and interactive, and is designed for children's leaders within the local church. Devised and developed by members of *CGMC*, the modules cover key areas of children's ministry:

- Child Development
- Leadership Skills
- Programme Planning
- Children and Community
- Pastoral Awareness
- Spirituality and the Bible

\*Core Skills for Children's Work is devised and developed by members of the Consultative Group on Ministry among Children (CGMC). All material has been piloted by a wide network of church traditions, drawn from Churches in Britain and Ireland.

During each session there will be an opportunity to look at **current resources** in music, prayer, craft, courses, games, and story-telling.

# How do I apply?

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