

Service Map for Children Living in Globe House

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Ireland

Ireland is an island in Western Europe with a population of around 4.7 million. The island is the second biggest in Europe (second to Great Britain).

The island of Ireland is divided into 32 counties which are grouped together in 4 provinces. The Republic of Ireland consists of 26 counties and occupies approximately 80% of the island. The other 20% is Northern Ireland which is part of the United Kingdom. This is often referred to as 'the six counties'.

Capital City: Dublin

Other Major Cities: Galway, Cork, Limerick

Official Language: Irish (or Gaeilge) spoken in specially designated areas of the country, mostly rural and English spoken throughout the country.

Currency: Euro

Weather: mild with abundant rain!

Some Common expressions:

Craic - fun, gossip i.e. What's the craic? - tell me your news/gossip
Cúlche - someone from the countryside
The Pale - the region around Dublin
Bucketing Down/Lashing /Raining cats and dogs - all mean very heavy rain
Gaff - house/home
Greetings: (What's the) story?/What's the craic?/Howya?

As Gaeilge:

Hello - Dia duit (dee-ah guit)
Goodbye - Slán agat (slawn uh-gat)
Cheers - Sláinte (slawn-ehnt)
School - Scoil (skool)
Friend - a Chara (kar-rah)
Thank you - Go Raibh maith agat (guh rah mah ha-gat)
My name is _____ is ainm dom (ess an-um dum)
Sligo - Sligeach (meaning 'shelly place')

Sligo

Sligo county borders on the North Atlantic Coastline and boasts of some beautiful sandy beaches, like Enniscrone and Strandhill. Because of its location water sports are very important and Sligo is well known for its surfing. People travel from all around the globe to test the ideal conditions. Geographical features include lofty hills and deep mountain valleys.

Sligo is a county rich in history, folklore and mythology. It is from here that the famous poet and Nobel Prize winner W.B. Yeats originates. Traditional Irish music is very important, the flute and fiddle being the most popular instruments. There are many music festivals held throughout the year.



Transportation

You can reach Dublin (Connolly Station) by train in about 3 hours. The trains run every second hour on the hour Monday – Saturday. The service does not run on Sunday's but with fewer trains. For more information ask for a timetable at Sligo Train Station or go to www.irishrail.ie.

You can also reach Dublin by bus. Buses run daily, but less frequently than the train, between Sligo and Dublin (Busáras/Connolly Station). Buses are generally cheaper than trains. The journey takes approximately two hours. For more information go to www.buseireann.ie.



For Fun: Youth Clubs

Avalon Centre

Chapel Street

Activities and youth clubs for children aged 7-18:

"Kid Stuff" Saturday Activity Club:

This is an integrated activity club for children age 7 to 11 years. This Programme has an emphasis on fun and play; activities include Dance, Art & Crafts, Sport, Fun activities etc. In individual cases the programme is designed according to the choice, level of ability and temperament of the child. This programme offers opportunities for social interaction and has a particular focus on children who experience difficulties in this area. Opening Time: Saturday 2.30pm - 4.30pm

Junior Youth Club:

Integrated activity club for children aged 7 to 12. Programmes include sports, dance, sound beam technology, recording music, song writing and arts & crafts. Opening Time: Monday & Wednesday 7.00pm - 8.30pm

Senior Youth Club:

Integrated club for young people aged 13 to 16. Programmes include sports, dance, beauty therapy, recording music, song writing and arts & crafts. Opening Time: Tuesday & Thursday 7pm - 9pm

Hip Hop Dance Classes

Hip hop dance classes take place in the centre for three terms during the year, ending with "Our Show" in the Hawkswell Theatre, which is a showcase of all of the activities of the centre throughout the year
Monday, 3-5years, 4-5pm
6-9years, 5-6pm
10-14years, 6-7pm
Friday, 14+ years, 5.15-6.15pm

Special Youth Project:

This is an early intervention/prevention programme for those at risk of early school leaving. It allows for the development of the child in accordance with his/her needs, level of ability and temperament. It offers home work support, nourishing snack, and opportunity for personal development and socialisation. The project is viewed as being supportive in keeping children out of care, and enhancing their performance in the academic setting. Times: Monday to Thursday from 2.00pm to 5.00pm.

Integrated Summer Camp

An integrated Summer Camp is held during the month of July. This programme aims to promote healthy living. It provides a holiday at home for young people age 8 to 16, in age appropriate groups. It is designed to help them enjoy activities which are fun, active, challenging and healthy. These include hill walking, canoeing, treasure hunts, sports, orienteering, art and craft, assault course, day trips and many more activities.

Times: Month of July
Junior Group 10am to 5pm
Senior Group 12pm 7pm
Day trips 8.00am 8.00pm



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Big Brother Big Sister: a mentor service that matches a young person with an adult volunteer.

Contact: Sandra Dooley Tel: 086 851 6087 Email: sandra.dooley@foroige.ie

First Steps Toddler Group

Methodist Hall, Wine Street

Thursday mornings from 10.30-12.

North Connaught Youth and Community Service

Rockwood Parade

Tel: 071 914 4150 Email: yicsligo@eircom.net

The Sligo Youth Information Centre provides free, comprehensive and confidential service to young people and those who work with them. The Centre provides information in relation to rights and entitlements and offers personal development workshops.



The Sligo Family Resource Centre

49 The Mall

Facilities and services for parents and children, including a family room, toy library, support for ethnic minorities and:

Parent & Toddler Drama Group

Tel: 071 914 6315

Drama and fun for parents & children 18 months and up Tuesday and Wednesday mornings 10.30-12.00. Price €2.

Parenting Programmes

0-6 years parenting programme, positive parenting, raising boys for fathers, raising girls for fathers and living with teens.

Lifestart

Our Lady of Mercy Primary School

Collects young residents at Globe House afterschool.

Parent and Toddler Group

Contact: Nuala Mc Loughlin Tel: 071 914 6034
Tuesdays from 10.30- 12.

Sports & Recreation

G.A.A.

St. Mary's

Ballydoogan

Email: info@stmaryssligo.ie Web: www.stmaryssligo.ie

Calry/St. Joseph's Hazelwood

Contact: Gary Dylan Tel: 087 858 9909 Email:

calrystjosephs@hotmail.com

Football

Sligo Leitrim & DSL

Contact: Noel Kennedy Tel: 0867 258 6003 Email: noelmkenney@eircom.net

Rugby

Sligo Rugby Football Club

Hamilton Park, Strandhill

Youth Secretary: John Davey Tel: 086 677 6179



For Help

The C.R.I.B. Youth Project & Health Café

Rockwood Parade

Contact: Anne Marie Kelly Tel: 071 914 6526

The C.R.I.B. provides a range of activities and developmental programmes for young people, including those at risk of isolation and homelessness.

Education in Ireland

Children seeking asylum can attend state funded education until the end of secondary school. If you would like to attend third level education, a Post Leaving Certificate course or undergraduate course, you will have to pay non-EU fees which are quite expensive. In order to qualify for 'free-fees' and a maintenance grant you must have legal status in Ireland and satisfy the 'Habitual Residence Condition'. However a small number of grants and scholarships are available from different organisations.

For more information contact: Barnardos, Christchurch Square, Dublin 8
1850 222 3000
info@barnardos.ie
Or
Irish Refugee Council

